

**Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting  
Thursday, January 24, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.  
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre**

Chair: G. Rodney

Trustees: A. da Silva  
T. Thomas (Regrets)

Superintendent: C. Pitoscia

Members Present: G. Rodney, CCCSC Chair  
L. Davoli, CCCSC Vice-Chair  
M. O'Mahony, Representative – Elementary Principals  
E. McMahon, Representative – Secondary Principals  
B. Kennedy, Brampton West – Secondary Representative  
P. Giansante, Mississauga East, Elementary Representative  
V. Kubazky-Jones, Mississauga East, Secondary Representative  
E. Lehman, Mississauga South, Alternate Elementary Representative  
K. Cespite, BECDM, Secondary Representative  
J. Gordon, BECDM, Elementary Representative  
R. Cinapri, Mississauga Brampton Central, Elementary Representative  
M. Emery, Mississauga Brampton Central, Secondary Representative  
O. Sousa, OAPCE Representative

Recorder: C. Cristina

**A Routine Matters**

1. Call to Order and Attendance
  - G. Rodney called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
  - C. Pitoscia also welcomed Trustee A. da Silva who has been assigned to CCCSC along with Trustee T. Thomas.
2. Opening Prayer

M. Emery led everyone in the opening prayer.  
L. Davoli asked everyone to join in a moment of silence in memory of the victim's of the Montreal massacre.
3. Attendance
  - i. Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC representatives
  - ii. Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools
  - iii. Identification of Observers and Guests

4. Approval of Minutes of December 6, 2012 Meeting

- **Moved by K. Cespite**

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2012 MEETING BE APPROVED.**

***CARRIED***

5. Business arising from the Minutes  
Nil

6. Approval of the Agenda

- **Moved by M. O'Mahony**

**THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.**

***CARRIED***

**B. Presentations**

*School Climate Survey – L. Storey*

- Ontario School Boards have been instructed by the Ministry to survey students from Grades 4 to 12 as well as parents about their opinion on school climate. School safety, bullying and equity are amongst the many questions included in this survey which will be open from January 22, 2013 until February 28, 2013. Although it is voluntary, Committee was asked to encourage parents to participate.

*Public Relations & Communication – B. Campbell*

- B. Campbell presented information on the Catholic Education Campaign which is taking place within Ontario. This purpose of the survey is to give parents and taxpayers an opportunity to express their opinion and to respond to media in support of Catholic education. In order to respond or comment appropriately, B. Campbell will be happy to assist with the preparation and style of response as well as doing a live interview should the situation arise. Committee was also invited to forward any articles of interest to B. Campbell for distribution.

**C. Reports**

1. *Trustee Report – A. da Silva*

- Trustee da Silva was very happy to report that the Board has approved \$12.3 million in funding for renewal of capital projects. Trustee also expressed thanks to the Director and Associate Director Corporate Services for their efforts in working with the Ministry for the success of this funding.
- Trustee da Silva, who now sits on OCSTA Board of Directors, highlighted the role of trustees and the importance of the Catholic trustees not only within this Board but also within the Province of Ontario. Committee was encouraged to register

onto the OCSTA website in order to receive and provide information on Catholic education.

- Trustee da Silva can now be followed on Twitter and blogspot: @ampodesta and [annadasilva.blogspot.com](http://annadasilva.blogspot.com)

## 2. *Superintendent's Report – C. Pitoscia*

- Brief report this evening given two presentations and feedback session on Learning in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century taking place at this evening's meeting.
- W. Brunton, Principal at St. Raymond School, will present Catholic Education and Community Studies Units at the February 21, CCCSC Meeting.
- The CCCSC By-Laws Committee has been formed and has met. Details will be shared by Vice-Chair, L. Davoli to CCCSC.
- CCCSC In-Service Committee continues to meet.

## 3. *OAPCE Report – O. Sousa*

- E-blasts are being developed to coincide with the liturgical calendar;
- Outreach initiatives are ongoing and continuing to prove successful;
- A committee to produce a Regional Handbook for OAPCE councils has been established;
- OAPCE has been invited to present at the ACBO Spring Plenary for Bishops;
- Details are being finalized for the 74<sup>th</sup> AGM, 'Embracing Parent Engagement' which will be held May 24-25, 2013 in Peterborough. Information regarding workshops and keynote is attached;
- Planning for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and 2014 conference is underway. The theme for this event will be "While You Weren't Looking" and will be held at a Dufferin-Peel C.D.S.B. location;
- ProGrant Committee has begun preparations for the DRAPCE Parent Engagement Event, *Raising Children with Character*, featuring Michael Reist as keynote speaker. The event is tentatively scheduled for May 4, 2013 pending permit approval for St. Joseph Secondary School.
- Bruce Campbell will be presenting at the next DRAPCE Council Meeting which will be held February 27, 2013 at St. Valentine School.

## 4. *SEAC Report – Nil*

## 5. *Parish Representative Report – G. Ogundele*

- As the Parish Representatives Meeting taking place on same evening as CCCSC meeting, a report will be brought forward to next CCCSC meeting.

## 7. Family of Schools Reports:

- Brampton East/Caledon/Dufferin/Malton – K. Cespate

- A symposium on Mental Health and Wellness will be held on April 27, 2013 at St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary School. The event will feature keynote speakers, Ms. Betty-Lou Kristy and Dr. Rose Geist.
- Brampton West – G. Rodney
  - St. Ursula School will be hosting a multicultural event on April 17, 2013.
- Mississauga East Family of Schools – P. Giansante
  - Students at St. Pio of Pietrelcina School were very happy and excited to have received the Grey Cup into their school for a visit.
  - Corpus Christi School will be holding an anti-bullying event on February 28, 2013 with guest speaker, Orlando Bowen of the CFL.
- Mississauga South Family of Schools – E. Lehman
  - The Mississauga South Family of Schools meeting which was held January 23, 2013 was very well attended. The event included a speaker from Peel Health who spoke about mental health in children.
- Mississauga Brampton Central – R. Cinapri, M. Emery
  - Received e-mail contact information for all school council chairs in the Mississauga Brampton Central Family of Schools.
  - Attended ACCESS DP meeting where valuable information regarding defibrillators and emergency evacuation chairs was received. Details of ACCESS DP can be found on the Board website.
- Mississauga North – L. Davoli
  - L. Davoli, Ambassador for the Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation, has been awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Award for his significant contributions to the Foundation. Congratulations were extended to L. Davoli for this achievement.

**D. Information / Committee Updates – G. Rodney**

G. Rodney reported that positive feedback from the November training session as well as requests for workshop information is still being received from parents who attended.

1. Correspondence

Nil

2. By-Laws Committee – L. Davoli

- Guidelines and templates were discussed and confirmed at the first meeting which was held January 17, 2013.
- Committee will reconvene on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and report back to the March CCCSC meeting.
- It is hoped that By-Laws will be finalized by first week of April.

3. CCCSC In-Service Committee – G. Rodney

- Next In-Service Committee meeting will be held January 29, 2013;
- Additional members have joined the Committee.

- a) CCCSC Mid-Winter Presentation – G. Rodney
  - Confirmation and details of this event to be discussed and confirmed at the January 29, 2013 meeting.
- b) CCCSC Market Place – April 13, 2013 – G. Rodney
  - Bishop Boissonneau has been confirmed as the keynote speaker for this event.

**E. Other**

1. **Feedback Activity on Learning in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century DP Draft System Report -  
C. Blanchard and L. Papaloni**

- Highlights of the Draft System Report were presented and details for feedback information were provided.
- Package including feedback form was distributed and members were asked to discuss and provide comments.
- Template will be distributed to Committee via e-mail and anyone wishing to submit any additional information can do so by February 1, 2013.
- Feedback forms were collected and Committee was thanked for the responses.

**F. Agenda Items for next meeting**

Nil

**G. Closing Prayer - led by M. Emery**

**H. Future Meetings**

February 21, 2013

March 21, 2013

May 2, 2013

June 6, 2013

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by O. Sousa

**THAT THE MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
COUNCILS BE ADJOURNED AT 8:50 P.M.**

**CARRIED**