



**Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting
Thursday, February 11, 2016
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre**

Chair: G. Rodney
Vice Chair: L. Davoli
Trustees:: S. Xaviour
Superintendent: S. Steer

Members Present:	M. Schaus	OECTA Elementary Representative
	P. MacDonald	DPSU OECTA Secondary Representative
	M. O'Mahony	Principal/VP Elementary Association
	S. Gos	Principal/VP Secondary Association
	L. Tedesco	School Year Calendar Elementary Representative
	K. Cespite	School Year Calendar Secondary Representative
	P. Olivieri	SEAC/CCCSC Liaison
	V. Mordido	Access DP Representative
	K. Magdangal	OAPCE Representative
	V. Pedley	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton – Elementary
	K. Cespite	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton – Secondary
	K. Dancy	Brampton North-East – Elementary
	M. Rodrigues	Brampton North-East – Secondary
	G. Rodney	Brampton West – Elementary
	A. Saunders-Georges	Brampton West – Secondary (Alternate)
	V. Mordido	Mississauga Brampton Central – Elementary
	I. Lushi	Mississauga Brampton Central – Secondary
	P. Meehan	Mississauga East – Elementary
	S. Harry-Paul	Mississauga East – Secondary
	L. Davoli	Mississauga North East – Elementary
	P. Olivieri	Mississauga North East – Secondary
	L. Tedesco	Mississauga South – Elementary
	M. Gomes	Mississauga South – Secondary (Alternate)

Regrets:	T. Cruz	P. MacDonald
	F. Di Cosola	B. Kennedy
	E. Pegas-Ferreira	C. DiCarlo

Recorder: C. Child

A Routine Matters

1. Call to Order

G. Rodney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer

S. Steer lead the liturgy prepared by A. Fung-Fook, Religion Consultant. Opening the Doors of Mercy and advised would share the link for What's on the Pope's Heart
<http://apostleshipofprayer.org/whats-on-the-popes-heart/>

3. Attendance

- i Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC representatives
Round table introduction of everyone present
- ii Declaration - NIL
- iii Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools
 - A. Saunders-Georges, Brampton West
 - M. Gomes, Mississauga South
 - D. Mohandoss, Brampton North East
- iv Identification of Observers and Guests
 - M. Locata, McGivney & D'Youville
 - B. Georges, Guardian Angels
 - C. Farmer, Blessed Teresa
 - J. Creighton, St. Thomas Aquinas
 - G. Briand-Santos, St. Raymond
 - L. Blank, Mary Fix

4. Approval of Minutes of December 3, 2015

Moved by K. Cespite

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2015 MEETING BE APPROVED
CARRIED**

5. Business arising from the Minutes - NIL

6. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by P. Olivieri

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED

CARRIED

B Presentations

1. Pupil Accommodation Review – D. Del Bianco, Superintendent of Operations

- PAR - Pupil Accommodation Review is necessary when 1 or more schools are being considered for closure due to declining enrolment and under use of school facility.
- Effects all school boards; public, separate, French and or private. Ministry funding is per pupil.
- The Boards responsibility is to operate efficiently.
- If a school is half full sometime it is a possibility to remain open if we join partnership with a health care or community partner.
- There are new 2015 guidelines in place. These new guidelines are followed to create a policy for our board.
- Presently we have 1 ongoing ARC-Accommodation Review Committee; the East Credit Mississauga Accommodation Review. There are 8 schools in review: Our Lady of Good

Voyage, St. Bernadette, St. Dunstan, St. Gertrude, St. Gregory, St. Herbert, St. Raymond, and St. Valentine Elementary School.

- 2 parents of each school community sit on the ARC.
- In these 8 schools there are 2700 students and they hold 4500 students. This means that 1800 seats are empty and we are incurring operating costs such as heating.
- 63% of costs are funded by the Ministry, the Board covers the other 37% from the operating costs. This is new, formerly the Ministry funded 80% and would “top up” the difference. This is new within the new 2015 guidelines.
- ARC is designed to look at a grouping of schools to determine the best solution for everyone involved in the process. While the initial staff report may contain a proposed option that impacts these schools, the final decision by the Board to move forward with a recommendation will not take place until after the consultation period. The final decision is made by the Trustees.
- The closure would not occur before June 2017. The process takes 2 years. 1 year for process and 1 year for transition.
- S. Steer concluded that we are all part of a school community and the Board community at large.

C Reports

1. Trustee Report – S. Xavier

- Trustee S. Xavier advised of the switch in Trustee, formerly Trustee T. Thomas sat on the CCCSC Committee. Following the Organization of the Board, Trustee F. Di Cosola will now support the CCCSC. Unfortunately he was unable to attend today therefore Trustee Xavier brought greetings and wished everyone Happy New Year.
- Yesterday as we begin our journey of Lent, Ash Wednesday was celebrated in all our schools.
- It is Black History month.
- Local contract negotiations are almost all complete.
- Ministry has added a new PA day April 11, 2016. We work with the Peel Board to help reduce transportation costs on PA days.
- Trustee Xavier left following his presentation for other board business.

2. Superintendent Report – Superintendent Steer

- Presented C.O.D.E. Parent Engagement Document: Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math. Each Family Representative took a sample to review with their School Councils. Each school has been provided 6 copies. It is built around growth mindset – students learn from their mistakes. Math should be part of students’ daily learning i.e. budgeting for a cell phone, working out the internet plan at home.
- Pro Grant could support this CODE document, you may wish to speak with your Administrators to set up a parent engagement evening around this kit. Inside there is an easy agenda included in the material.
- Followed up with a brief discussion on the benefits of students using the math help line.
- Parents are encouraged to contact the Ministry to inquire about possibly extending to students in grade 11 and 12.
- G. Rodney referenced the Kahn Academy which has been discussed previously at CCCSC meetings.

3. OAPCE Report – K. Magdangal

- Flyer was distributed for the upcoming Conference, Living our Virtues in a Virtual World,

- OAPCE 77th Annual Conference AGM & Gala Dance. The website is open, amazing guest speakers, J. Kostoff will be speaking. Many hot topics such as Social Networking.
- K. Magdangal requested that each School Council consider covering the cost of sending their OAPCE representative. This year it is “bring a buddy”, OAPCE will cover the cost of each representative bringing a guest. Cost is \$75 including dinner.
 - OAPCE is the only Catholic Parent Group recognized by the Ministry. OAPCE pays a fee to ICE that is allowed to be included in their table for discussions.
4. SEAC Report – P. Olivieri
- Director Mazzorato came to speak at the last SEAC meeting February 10, 2016 and informed group that she wants to be out and about in the schools and around parents.
 - Presentations included: Review of Strategic System Plan 2014-2019 – learning for all; What is an IEP; Ministry Placement Registrations; Equity Strategy looking at the whole child. We need to understand the multiple identities in a child not just one, which is how we reach equity. Also an Early Learning Update on the policy now in place.
 - SEAC input into Board Budget Process.
 - Brampton Caledon Community Living spoke re Commence 2016, workshops March 1 & 2.
 - Update given on Pro Grants “Preparing your child for Sacraments” excellent turnout of approximately 40 families. “Support Diverse Learners in Math” – also great turnout. “Read and Write Gold” upcoming at St. Marcellinus School, last year this event sold out and the wait list people will be awarded first spots this year. Poster shared with group.
5. Diocesan Report – NIL
6. School Year Report – L. Tedesco, K. Cespite
- Following negotiations with teachers’ federations, school boards are required to implement an additional PA day effective this school year. Date is April 11, 2016.
 - January 11, 2016 the group meet to discuss 2016-2017 calendar. Representatives from both panels, Elementary and Secondary brought proposals for 2016-2017.
 - Superintendent L. Storey to speak with coterminous board to align school calendars as much as possible.
 - 2016-2017 dates will be finalized in April.
7. Access DP Report – V. Mordido
- At the last Access meeting they discussed that access issues are not only regarding employees of the board, we must consider the public access of everyone to our facilities.
 - Comments on the new posters and highlighted the raindrops reflect all invisible handicaps.
 - Elevators at the board are now working. Superintendent Del Bianco comments that all elevators are operational at this time. Difficulty servicing many of the school elevators because the parts are no longer available. We are looking to tender other companies for parts and service. The board has 137 elevators and 4 are obsolete and being looked at for replacement.
8. Family of Schools Monthly Report – Attachment please review at your leisure

D Information / Committee Updates - Chair

1. Correspondence
2. CCCSC In-Service Committee

- G. Rodney presented the chosen Keynote Speaker for the Conference and Market Place April 9, 2016 to be held at St. Joseph Secondary.
- Dr. Susan Williams, Psychologist will address: Parent's Guide to Reducing Stress and Increasing Resilience in Children
- Details of breakout session will be confirmed and shared with all members.

E Agenda items for next meeting

1. Catholic Board Learning Plan: Technology and Learning to be presented by C. Blanchard, Superintendent, Program, Special Projects, Strategic Planning & Policy, and R. Eberhardt, Chief Information Officer
2. Parent Engagement Spring Session May 10 and May 11 in Brampton. Possibility of Dr. Susan Sweet to address "Mental Health – Accepting, Recognizing and Supporting".

F Closing Prayer – Our Father

G Adjournment at 8:50 p.m.

H Future Meetings

- Thursday, April 7, 2016
- Thursday, May 12, 2016
- Thursday, June 9, 2016