



Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting
Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Chair: P. Olivieri
 Vice Chair: G. Rodney
 Trustee: S. Xaviour
 Superintendent: S. Steer

Members Present:	S. Steer	Superintendent		
	M. Licata	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton - Elementary		
	K. Dancy	Brampton North-East - Elementary		
	L.A. Clark	Mississauga Brampton Central - Elementary		
	G. Ogundele	Diocesan Representative		
	G. Rodney	Brampton West - Secondary		
	K. Cespate	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton – Secondary		
	L. Davoli	Mississauga North – Elementary		
	R. Reid	Mississauga South – Secondary		
	S. Hobin	Trustee, Alternate		
	S. Gos	Board Representative		
	B. Wilson	ACCESS DP and SEAC Liaison Representative		
	D. Darmanin-Sturgeon	Brampton West, Elementary		
	M. Scupham	Mississauga East, Secondary		
	M. Rodrigues	Brampton North East, Secondary		
	J. Cazabon	Mississauga Brampton Central – Secondary Alternate		
Recorder:	C. Child			
Regrets:	A. Padzik	P. Olivieri	A. Galvao	C. Jack
	M. Kutin-Morais	S. Xaviour	T. Thomas	
Absent	E. Peges-Ferreira	H. Gremmen	M. DeBerardinis	

A. Routine Matters

- 1 Call to Order and Attendance
 The meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
 Regrets noted, guests welcomed and attendance taken.
- 2 Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory – G. Rodney
- 3 Opening Prayer: S. Steer and G. Ogundele
- 4 Welcome and Introduction
 - a. Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC representatives
 1. Declaration of conflict of interest - NIL
 - b. Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools
 J. Cazabon, Mississauga Brampton Central, Elementary and Secondary
 M. Gomes, Mississauga South, Secondary

- c. Identification of Observers and Guests
J. Creighton, Parent K. Tom, Student Trustee S. Cameron, Student Trustee
I. Della-Rosa, Parish Rep.

5 Approval of Minutes of March 1, 2018 Approval
THAT THE MINUTES OF THE March 1, 2018 MEETING BE APPROVED.
Moved by: D. Darmanin-Sturgeon and K. Cespite

CARRIED

- 6 Business arising from the Minutes
7 Approval of the Agenda
THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.
Moved by: L. Davoli and B. Wilson

CARRIED

B. Business Matters

NIL

C. Presentation – audio presentation by B. Campbell, General Manager, Communications and Community Relations

- Advocating for Catholic Education.
- FACE Friends and Advocates for Catholic Education. If you wish to join please send an email message to bruce.campbell@dpcdsb.org. Subject line: **I wish to join.**
- Catholic education resources available through OCSTA Ontario Catholic School Trustee Association.
- Absolute best way to support Catholic education system is to share good news stories. Tweet about your school or retweet from the Dufferin-Peel twitter account: [dpcdsbschools](https://twitter.com/dpcdsbschools)

D. Reports

1 Trustee Report – S. Hobin

- i.
- Encourages parents to participate in the strategic planning survey. It has been sent out system wide and communicated to parents/guardians.
 - Webinar is on April 23rd for developing our 2018 2019 budget, may be accessed as a group or individually at home. Please visit the website for specifics.
 - Special Education funding has been approved. We await the technical papers from the Ministry to determine specifics.
 - Transportation funding set aside for children in residential care to remain in their home schools
 - Transportation is still an issue, there has been funds set aside from the MOE to help transportation companies retain their drivers.
 - Encourage Catholic School Councils to communicate to MPPs how important it is to keep our Catholic education system.
 - Elementary skills competition based on math and robotics to be held at St. Paul's Secondary in April.
 - During the Lenten and Easter Season held observances that were spiritual, emotional and creative. We have to protect this Catholic observance in our school system.
- ii. Student Trustees K. Tom and S. Cameron:
- April 13th Student Voice Conference: Unity and Acceptance.
 - 10 students from each secondary school. 3 guests speakers. Keynote speaker: Spencer West. Full day of professional development.
 - April 17 annual election for future student trustees.

2 Superintendent's Report – S. Steer

- i. • 5.3 additional staff to support special services in mental health.
 - ii. Feedback on Parent Engagement events:
 - Mixed results 47 respondents: 53% were admin 42% parents
 - Positive: appreciate the opportunity to meet superintendents and trustees, well organized, appreciated having a guest speaker, enjoyed local CSC meetings and positive networking between elementary and secondary panels.
 - Suggestions to improve: would like to see speakers at all sessions, more on mental health, focus on technology, math and early years, the date should be set very early in the year.
 - Negative feedback: poor format, not enough trustees attend, and no reason to be together in a different location.
 - Response to question *which month of the year is best to hold event*: Feb, Nov and January.
 - Response to *do you think we should continue*: 50/50 – although worthwhile low parent involvement, trustees do attend local meetings when they are available and if there was a guest speaker than it would be worthwhile.
 - Given the declining attendance the format should be revisited.
 - 3 OAPCE Report – nil
 - 4 Monthly Members Report
 - i. Future consideration: we need clearer direction at the Election of the CCCSC in the fall regarding the roles, expectations and communication practices to local CSC.
 - 5 SEAC Report – B. Wilson. Notes from March 1 2018
 - i. Johnny Vavala, student from St. Marcellinus presented his film on animals with disabilities. You may view his work at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EhnK6VGqfvg>
 - ii. *Growing Successful Practices* video shared. Depicts some current students engaged in activities and focuses on new initiatives, changes and activities in process. Video has been shared with many teachers.
 - iii. www.advocacyforinclusion.org is a website for persons with disabilities to help support needs.
 - iv. The Pro-grant activities planned for parents and children have been very successful. The group is working on applying for next year's grant. Safe-talk is scheduled for May 2, 2018 from 6-9 pm.
 - v. Make sure you are "ticked" prior to election time to support Catholic education.
 - vi. Community Living Ontario has published results of survey focused on whether parents of special needs children feel that their child(ren) are adequately supported within the school system. The results are on the website <https://communitylivingontario.ca/en/>
 - vii. The ministry is working on a revised Special Needs Strategy. More work is expected locally in the fall.
 - 6 Diocesan Report – G. Ogundele
 - i. Parish Representative Mass and Potluck on June 18. The Most Reverend Bishop Boissonneau will preside. The flyer for promotion will be distributed this month.
 - 7 Access DP Report – B. Wilson nil
 - 8 School Year Calendar – L.A. Clark nil
- E Information and Committee Updates – G. Rodney**
- i. Market place will take place Saturday April 14, 2018.

- ii. PIC Symposium – S. Steer
Provincial PIC Gala and Symposium is on April 20 and 21, 2018 at the Chelsea hotel, Toronto. Parking and mileage will be reimbursed. Volunteers: R. Reid, M. Rodrigues, B. Wilson, K. Dancy, G. Rodney, M. Licata, M. Scupham. We will register the group and provide further details via email.
- iii. CCCSC Resource – S. Steer on behalf of A. Galvao
Filming to be done by R. Quinn, teacher at Mount Carmel. Resource video: How to run an effective meeting. St. Roch, Canadian Martyrs and St. Therese of the Child Jesus local CSC will be filmed.
- iv. Volunteer of the Year committee. Volunteers: R. Reid, T. Kris, D. Darmanin-Sturgeon, M. Licata and G. Rodney.
- v. Discussion on Secondary open access
- vi. R. Reid asked if there has been any encouragement of students to vote.
S. Cameron responded that CIVICs classes conduct mock elections, posters of local MPPs are on display; students provided ballots and opportunity to vote. Recommend that the Catholic Trustees be added to the ballot.
Also reported that social media has asked students to register as a voter as early as 16 years of age.

F. Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Moved by: M. Rodrigues

G. Future Meetings

Thursday, May 3, 2018 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 14, 2018 6:30 p.m. Meeting followed by Volunteer of the Year Liturgy