



Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting

Thursday, November 19, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Chair: Genevieve Rodney
Vice Chair: Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon
Trustee: Stefano Pascucci
Superintendent: Wayne Brunton

Members

Present:	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Wayne Brunton	Superintendent
	Silvana Gos	Board Representative
	Alexis Galvao	Principal / Vice Principal Secondary Association
	Nkechi Agugoesi	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton - Elementary, Alternate
	Mary Licata	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton - Secondary
	Paula Lima	Brampton North-East - Elementary
	Karen Dancy	Brampton North-East - Secondary
	Karina Luna Hernandez	Brampton West - Elementary
	Genevieve Rodney	Brampton West - Secondary
	Laurie-Anne Clark	Mississauga Brampton Central - Elementary
	Jennifer Cazabon	Mississauga Brampton Central - Secondary
	Donna Lomba	Mississauga East - Elementary
	Grace Siracusa	Mississauga East - Secondary
	Leanne DeSouza Kenney	Mississauga North - Elementary
	Dinah Langley	Mississauga North - Secondary
	Ian Lodge	Mississauga South - Elementary
	Roxanne Smith	Mississauga South - Secondary
	Jennifer Millson	OAPCE Representative

Recorder: Caroline McFarland

Regrets: Brian Diogo
Melina Melo
Mariana Kutin
Morais

Absent: Brenda Golden
Ingrid Kupec
Gabriel
Ogundele

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order
Chair Genevieve Rodney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Regrets were noted, guests welcomed and attendance taken.
2. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory – Wayne Brunton
3. Opening Prayer – Wayne Brunton

- iii) Responding to Dinah Langley, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that if there is an internet dead zone within a class, an ICT technician can go to the school to see what the issue is and how it can be resolved.
 - iv) Responding to Jennifer Millson, Trustee Stefano Pascucci clarified that he would share her recommendation for a follow up based on parent feedback to the Human Trafficking presentation.
 - v) Responding to Paula Lima, Trustee Stefano Pascucci clarified that the Board was still looking into specific types of air purification systems and that an update will be provided after the next meeting in two weeks.
 - vi) Responding to Donna Lomba, Trustee Stefano Pascucci clarified that the air purification systems would only be for schools who do not have HVAC systems.
2. Superintendent Report – Wayne Brunton
- Parent engagement evenings have been highly attended. The Human Trafficking presentation had close to 600 attendees, the Elementary Hybrid Learning event had close to 3600 attendees and the Return to School Student Health and Well-Being with Dr. Hau in early September had close to 4000 attendees. Parents are more involved with virtual parent engagement evenings. The committee was asked to decide on what other presentations could be offered as the hope is to have one a month. There will be presentations on Systemic Racism and the new Math curriculum.
 - The CCCSC webpages on the Board website have been updated and the recordings of parent engagement events have been and will be posted there for those who could not attend. Unfortunately, because of the content of the Human Trafficking presentation, a recording will not be posted.
 - School communication should have been received for the Saturday, November 28 Training for Catholic School Council Executive Members along with a flyer for a keynote presentation at 10:00 a.m., that will be open to all parents, by Sara Westbrook on Nurturing Your Child's Emotional Well-Being. Following this presentation, at 11:30 a.m., will be the training sessions for all Catholic School Council Executive Members; Chairs/Co-Chairs, Secretary, Treasurer, Parish Rep and OAPCE Rep. The training sessions will be recorded for those who cannot attend. Please pass this information along to your Catholic School Council members. A follow up survey will be sent as well.
 - PRO Grant Funding: The Ministry provides boards with funding for parent involvement groups. The Board's two parent involvement groups are CCCSC and SEAC. This year the Ministry has provided the Board with PRO Grant funds of \$45,560. SEAC will get \$20,000 of these funds, leaving CCCSC with \$25,560. Parent engagement events are about \$1000 each. Some of the money will be used to buy all the Chairs/Co-Chairs of Catholic School Councils a resource. A survey will be sent prior to the next meeting about ideas for spending the rest of the funds.
 - Fundraising: It is important for Catholic School Councils to carry on the best that they can to provide for students. There are health and safety protocols that must be followed in schools. There are no visitors allowed in schools, no food days, no gatherings, no collection of cash or counting of money. Superintendents have been speaking to principals indicating that as long as schools abide by Peel Public Health rules, they can find ways to fundraise such as a service delivered to homes, something that can be picked up after school hours or items purchased for the school.
 - In the Hybrid Learning Model, the priority was that staff needed to have a laptop or Chromebook with a camera. If remote students needed a device, then the obligation was to provide those students with devices first.
 - Some schools are short staffed as the Board has to abide by collective agreements for

teachers and occasional teachers as to whether or not they accept or decline positions or jobs. Human Resources and Teacher Personnel are doing their best to find qualified teachers, specifically in French and Gifted as those remote classes still need to be staffed in some of the schools.

- If parents have questions about Hybrid or Remote Learning, the first contact is the school principal.
 - i) Responding to Donna Lomba, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that items or sacrament gifts for students can be dropped off to schools, remain untouched for three days and then be distributed.
 - ii) Responding to Jennifer Cazabon, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that motions put forward at Catholic School Council meetings do not require Zoom Polling. A show of hands online from eligible voting members is all that is required.
 - iii) Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that the suggestion that PRO Grant funds be divided by family of schools is an option but needs to be discussed with the committee.
 - iv) Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that Mental Wellness is an important topic due to COVID.
 - v) Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that there has not been any discussion about target testing in schools in high COVID areas. Schools follow Peel Public Health's direction regarding COVID cases in schools.
 - vi) Responding to Alexandra Sikorski, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that he will look into whether the Board's Google contract will be ending.
 - vii) Responding to Karen Dancy, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that he will find out if the FlipGive app can be used for fundraising.
 - viii) Responding to Jennifer Cazabon, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that PRO Grant funds could be used to purchase a small item for all graduates and should be brought forward for discussion.
 - ix) Responding to Jennifer Cazabon, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that the discussion about alternate plans for graduates will take place in the new year and consistency will be very important. CCCSC will be kept apprised of any updates to graduations.
 - x) Responding to Ian Lodge, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that it is not too late to put orders in for Chromebooks this year, but it is a matter of when they will arrive.
 - xi) Responding to Dinah Langley, Superintendent Wayne Brunton clarified that students who are participating online when they are ill or unable to attend class are considered present.
- 3. OAPCE Report – Chuck Farmer
 - OAPCE had two webinars on November 7 (Discussing the book “There Must be a Pony in Here Somewhere” – One of the best ways to develop an intentional practice of looking for signs of God’s presence and goodness in the ordinary events of daily life.) and November 14 (Parents Matters explored the myths of parent engagement and resources to contribute to student success.). Both webinars were recorded and will be posted online “for a short time” after November 21.
 - o The resource has been posted from November 14 that included a list of resources for parents and council committees to facilitate and encourages parent engagement at all levels: <https://www.oapce.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Parent-Engagement-Resource-List-to-accompany-OAPCE-webinar-November-2020.pdf>
 - November 21 is the AGM with keynote speakers ICE Executive Director on the topic of Nurturing Hope and Miguel Martinez on the topic of Parenting Through the New Normal. Agenda and registration link are on oapce.org. **Register tonight if you plan to attend.**

- Year-end reports are also posted for the AGM online at oapce.org (It is a 20-page report but recaps all the partners, events and activities from last year.).
 - Executive Director, Analisa, participated in a consultation with the Ministry of Education and TVO along with the President of the Ontario Federation of Home and School Association (public boards).
 - o She did advocate, as our partners have stated, that the courses students take MUST be taught by Catholic Teachers and that Religion should not be the course that is offered online (These courses need to be face-to-face as they are an important part of our student's ongoing faith formation in school.).
 - o She also advocated that Mathify needs to be extended beyond the current model of Grade 6-10 and to Grades 3-12.
 - The regional council held a general meeting in September. Parents want to learn more about health, faith curriculum, gaming and social media addiction.
 - Elections for the regional council were held in October. Mariana has put her name forward for another 2-year term and the council team remains almost the same with the addition of a new secretary.
 - The next regional council meeting is November 25. They hope to have a **special presentation in January and a Family Hour of Code booked for December 1. Go to drapce.com to register for events.**
 - About 50% of the school reps are not on the regional council list. Please encourage parents to sign up at drapce.com. The information sheet circulated at the last meeting is attached here for reference <https://files.constantcontact.com/a023c651301/f83b10cf-7698-4867-a5c9-3b66e592c069.pdf>.
 - i) Responding to Paula Lima, Chuck Frammer clarified that he would forward the meeting notes of parents' suggestions for fundraising to share with the committee.
4. SEAC Report – Laurie-Anne Clark
- The last meeting was on November 11 with several presentations including a Financial Budget presentation and a presentation by the Learning Disabilities Association. The Learning Disabilities Association presentation will be shared with the committee.
 - PRO Grants funds will be used for Preparing Your Child with Differing Abilities for the Sacraments on January 21. There will also be an information session for Supporting and Welcoming Students with Differing Abilities.
 - The next meeting will be on December 2 and is open to everybody.
 - i) Responding to Mike Brunetto, Laurie-Anne Clark clarified that information shared with the committee should be forwarded on to each member's family of schools' parent community.
 - ii) Responding to Roxanne Smith, Laurie-Anne Clark clarified that all meet dates are listed on the Board website. As well, under Special Education in the SEAC tab more information can be found. Zoom meeting links can be forwarded to the committee.
5. Parish Representative Report - NIL
6. ACCESS DP - NIL

E. Information / Committee Updates

1. Correspondence - NIL
2. CCCSC In-Service Committee Update - NIL

F. Other

1. Responding to Dinah Langley, Trustee Stefano Pascucci clarified that he would bring the suggestion to have meeting recordings posted as well as having questions and responses being

included in minutes to the next Board meeting.

G. Agenda Items for Next Meeting - NIL

H. Closing Prayer – Genevieve Rodney

I. Adjournment

Moved by Genevieve Rodney

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED at 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED

J. Future Meetings

Thursday, December 3, 2020

Thursday, January 7, 2021

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Thursday, March 11, 2021

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Thursday, May 6, 2021

Thursday, June 10, 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award Presentation