

MINUTES

Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC)

Monday, February 5, 2024, 7:00 p.m. CEC – Board Room

Members Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon Chair and Brampton West

Present: Secondary Representative

Adrian Scigliano Superintendent

Laurie-Anne Clark Mississauga Brampton Central

Secondary Alternate, SEAC Rep

Thomas Thomas Trustee

Herman Viloria Alternate Trustee
Paul Basran Principal/Vice-Principal

Elementary Association

Diana Speranza Principal/Vice-Principal Secondary

Association

RoseMarie Pazzelli Principal/Vice Principal

Elementary Association

Brian Diogo Superintendent

Jennifer Cazabon Mississauga Brampton Central

Secondary

Natasha Kovar Mississauga East Elementary
Catherine Rivera Mississauga East Secondary
Amanada Le Blanc Mississauga North Elementary
George Ling Mississauga North Secondary
Yvette Lemonius Mississauga South Secondary
Diana Carlesimo Mississauga South Elementary

Chair, OAPCE Director

Maria Commisso Dufferin-Peel Elementary Unit

OECTA

Thomas Murphy Dufferin-Peel Elementary Unit

OECTA

Sheena Tennesse Brampton North East Elementary
Anthony Marchao Brampton West Elementary
Karen Dancy Vice Chair, Brampton North East

Secondary

Sunny Kanabe Brampton East Caledon Dufferin

Malton Secondary

Recorder: Angela Charette Executive Administrative Assistant

A. Routine Matters

- 1. Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Prayer led by Superintendent Scigliano
- 3. Land Acknowledgement Superintendent Diogo
- 4. Welcome and Introduction

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- a. Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC Representatives
 - i. Declaration of Conflict of Interest- Nil
- b. Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools

Identification of Observers and Guests

Karen Barnett-Myers Mary Boulos Mike Brunetto Kyla Lepore Tania Prsa

Anthony Cardamone

5. Approval of Minutes, December 7, 2024

Moved by Karen Dancy
Seconded by Yvette Lemonius

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, DECEMBER 7, 2024, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

5. Approval of Agenda, February 5, 2024

Moved by Catherine Rivera Seconded by Laurie-Anne Clark

THAT THE AGENDA OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, FEBRUARY 5, 2024, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

a. Business Matters- Nil

CARRIED

B. Presentation – MYSP Discussion – Mehek Arif
Approved Minutes- Central Committee for Catholic School Councils, February 5, 2024

- New MYSP- under development over past year- posted on DPCDSB website- more media distribution forthcoming
- Two Focus Groups- evaluate quantitative information- CCCSC and SEAC, BCAC and ii. Indigenous Education advisory councils, along with students- three names from CCCSC decided last month with preferred dates to join Superintendent Scigliano: Responding to Karen Barnett Myers, the sharing of data will be further looked into, for distribution of information- advisory councils will have previous access to all information Responding to Mike Brunetto, Mehek Arif clarifies boards cannot be compared across province, better achievement will look differently across boards, Ministry may suggest types of information to be asked Superintendent Scigliano clarifies for Karen Dancy that parents do not assist in completion of Math Attitude and Behavior survey- data is entered anonymouslydata pooled- professional learning communities use this data in their work to measure the effectivity of the work being completed in the Math PLC and survey completed again, data revisited- age-appropriate surveys- observations made through intentional work in mathematics, work to have sound mathematical practices- attitude and behavior survey- survey designed to look for gaps- data shared broadly when available

B. Standing Items

1. Trustee Report – Thomas Thomas and Herman Viloria

- DPCDSB schools hosting engaging events to celebrate Black History Month- Black Futures Speakers Series, author read-alouds, workshops- Black futures expanded to include interviews with Black entrepreneurs in STEAM and Business
- ii. DPCDSB hosting virtual author read-alouds and workshops in elementary and secondary DPCDSB encouraging all educators to commit to learning and teaching Black History year round
- iii. Director of Education required by Ministry of Education to produce annual report that outlines how DPCDSB met goals of Board of Trustees MYSP- how DPCDSB met Ministry goals on Equity and Inclusivity over past year
- iv. Report included in December 12, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting agenda- DPCDSB committed to Catholic learning environment- informed by principles of acceptance, support, inclusion to all learners- available on board website
- v. DPCDSB required to operate under Multi-Year Financial Recovery Plan since 2020-2021- work with Ministry to on unsustainable Long-Term Disability (LTD) plan and growing deficit position- challenges include enrollment decline, and fully paid LTD plan-\$36.5 million compliance deficit
- vi. Revised capital budget \$75.5 million- School Renewal (SR) and School Condition Improvement (SCI) utilized to address urgent needs and keep schools in good repair
- vii. COVID19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream (CVRIS) funding allowed DPCDSB to invest measures including enhanced air ventilation, new water bottle refill stations

- viii. Capital funding approved from Ministry of Education for replacement of St. Anne Catholic School and new Mount Pleasant CES Brampton
- ix. Ministry of Education continues to modernize Ontario's curriculum- transferrable skills- revised curriculum and courses for 2024- will be available for parents on Curriculum and resources website- Ministry finalizing call for proposals to develop resources that support implementation for upcoming year
- x. Business Studies, grades 9 and 10, Building and Entrepreneurial Mindset grade 9 open, Launching and Leading a Business grade 10 open, Technological Education grades 9 and 10, Technology and Skilled Trades grade 9 and 10 open, Career Studies grade 10 open
- xi. Kindergarten registration open all elementary schools accepting online registrations- students must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2024- registration time flexible, registration affects staffing
- xii. St. Sofia registrations paused for 2024-2025 school year except for new JK students with cap of 60 students- SK to grade 8 registration communicated early January 2024
- xiii. St. James Catholic Global Learning Centre Kindergarten Registration- visit St. James website
- xiv. Parents encouraged to use Peel Region and Dufferin County Find My School tools or contact DPCDSB Planning Department
- xv. Flexible boundaries required to contact school offices directly
- xvi. DPCDSB hosted information session to support entry of planning and transition of students with differing abilities- may include but not limited to blind low vision, hearing, speech, autism, physical/medical/ and or developmental delays
- xvii. Minister Lecce addressed Trustees- advancement in technology, AI- useful tool, but monitored and controlled, cell phone use mentioned in secondary- distraction-policy mentioned on controlled use, vaping larger issue and smoke alarms addressed
- xviii. New school construction- 7 years typically to begin- Lecce has cut down timeline 2 to 3 years now as he has cut down on timelines
- xix. Curriculum policy for review every 5 years- grade 9 and 10 students now have required tech course- limited pathways in past
- xx. Severe shortage of FSL and skilled trades students- looking into 1 and half years of teacher's college, rather than 2 years

Superintendent Scigliano clarified that Ministry of Education destreaming of Math came on onset of new math curriculum –destreaming introduced in fall of 2022- De-streaming introduced as result of overrepresentation of particular groups based on race and learning needs in applied pathways. Destreaming provides opportunity to allow time to better assess appropriate stream- keeps pathway options open. As schools continue to offer destreamed courses educators find efficiencies to ensure we are meeting the needs of all students.

Superintendent Scigliano clarified that many publishers moving to digital formats

2. Superintendent Report- Adrian Scigliano

- i. Lent begins- February 14th Ash Wednesday, Lenten season through Easter Monday April 1st
- ii. PD Day change- originally May 17, 2024 rescheduled to Monday April 8th due to solar eclipse- begin 2 pm and end at 4 pm- looking directly at sun can lead to eye damage and loss of site- health and safety of student's priority in decision communication with co terminus boards- some boards not affected at all due to geographical regions- school dismissal times affected decision
- iii. January 18th CCCSC Matt Richardson presentation well attended- opportunities being investigated for secondary students- work closely with community partners
- iv. Guest speaker forthcoming on cannabis and vaping
- v. CCCSC possibly to transfer \$10,000 to Equity and Indigenous Education department to support initiatives, activities, and parent engagement- significant amount of guest speaking to engage communities and other initiatives- CCCSC received \$75,000 funding from Ministry- \$25,000 transferred to SEAC
- vi. Costs include guest speakers, Advent dinner, refreshments- separate amount from PRO Grant sent to each school prior \$500 per CSC- remainder of funds could be used for resources- Equity department works through BCAC and Indigenous Advisory committees on resources

Superintendent Scigliano will investigate Yvette Lemonius request for council members that hold different positions, possibly meeting to network

Superintendent Scigliano, responding to Karen Barnett- Myers, will take back suggestion that parents in different geographical regions may have different requests and needs- information brought back from CCCSC Advisory committee and parent voice- possibility of liaisons with other committees in the board- continued discussions

Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon advises committee members to carry on with agenda items- agenda items can be sent ahead of time to Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon and Superintendent Scigliano- agenda is communicated one week prior and opportunities to add to agenda ahead, and respect to time

Superintendent Scigliano will look into request from Karen Barnett-Myers, that release of census data be presented to CCCSC

CARRIED

3. Ontario Association of Parents In Catholic Education (OAPCE) Report- Diana Carlesimo

- i. January edition of Parent-to-Parent Press on website
- ii. April Regional Conference information posted
- iii. Fully Alive Zoom with Catholic bishops- input requested- parent letters sent out regarding Fully Alive- parents want to know what is being taught to children
- iv. Virtual Meeting regrading AI technology- parent engagement session will be opened up
- v. OAPCE report will be shared with CCCSC
- vi. Training videos on DPCDSB site re-activated and available to members- some videos more scripted, and agenda based- some more question and answer- suggestion to have a bit of both

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4. Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) Report- Laurie-Anne Clark

- i. MYSP discussions presented prior
- ii. Upcoming SEAC meeting on February 21st, 2024

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5. Diocesan/Parish Representative Report- Gabriel Ogundele

- Parish Reps hold traditional position on School Council- confirming reps meet with principals, would like to bring reps together to network
- ii. Possible opportunity for Bishop to come and speak to reps later in year
- iii. Availability to speak to Parish reps- Gabriel to follow up with Angie on sending an invitation to parish reps

CARRIED

C. Information/Committee Updates

1. Correspondence- Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon

- i. Monday, January 22nd attended the PIC Chairs and School boards, Ministry of Education shared information on 'Bullying- we can all help stop it' slide deck will be forthcoming once available- breakout sessions on different topics, and challenges in different communities- funding
- ii. Consensus on more Anti-Black Racism, Mental Health, online safety

Responding to Karen Dancy, Superintendent Scigliano clarified that more information forthcoming regarding CSC agendas and email addresses- memo sent out to principals, and opportunity to share messaging with communities first

Clarification requested from Natasha Kovar on ProGrant Funding carry over process, Superintendent Scigliano will update the CCCSC Advisory committee at March meeting

Responding to Catherine Rivera's question regarding follow up items, Superintendent Scigliano confirmed that follow up items will be addressed at next CCCSC meeting

CARRIED

6. CCCSC In Service Committee Report- Nil

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D. Adjournment/ Closing Prayer

The Closing Prayer was led by Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon.

E. Future Meetings

Thursday, March 7, 2024

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Thursday, May 9, 2024

Thursday, June 20, 2024 - Volunteer of the Year Award Presentation & final meeting of the school year

F. Adjournment

Moved by Sunny Kanabe
Seconded by Diana Carlesimo

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:00 pm

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