

Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Minutes

Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2012
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Catholic Education Centre
Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 28,

Attendees: **Committee Members:**

Chris Spere (Chair), Peter Reitmeier, Frank Johnson, Father D. Lobsinger, Deb Crawford, Bill Conway, Christine Dixon, George Cortes, Jeannette Cowen, Teresa Palmer, Katherine Flitton, Syl Painchaud, Paul Smith & Simone Beaucage

Administrative Official:

Derek Haime

Regrets:

Father D. Lobsinger, Paul Smith, Jorge Cortes & Deb Crawford

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer: Derek Haime
("A Prayer by Archbishop Oscar Romero")
2. Approval of Agenda:
Motion: Syl Painchaud
Second: Teresa Palmer
3. Declared Pecuniary Interest: None
4. Approval of the Minutes
Motion: Jeanette Cowen
Second: Bill Conway

5. Trustee Update: Peter Reitmeier, Frank Johnson

Frank: Trustees work on ensuring the work reflects the mission and vision of the Board.
ARC: good representation at public meeting.

Peter: Trustees reviewed the special education plan. Peter explained how the Committee of the Whole meetings are occurring at sites across the Board to expand trustees' knowledge and become part of the all communities in an even greater way.

Manuel: The January meeting will be at St. Louis and invites have been sent to MPPs of all parties to any Committee of the Whole meetings.

6. Discussion Items

Item	Presenter
<p>6.1 OAPCE Presentation Katherine Flitton made a presentation on the BrightLinks. She is provincial representative for OAPCE for WCDSB. Reviewed history (70+ years). Government recognized as one of the voices of Catholic Education in Ontario. Reviewed OAPCE mission statement. Participates at Ministers Partnership Table, Learning to 18 Student Success, Literacy & Numeracy Secretariat, EQAO, EDU Curriculum Review, contribute to ICE, dialogue and collaborations across province, actively participates with F.A.C.E., works with OCSTA, expand subscription lists for distribution, reviewed OAPCE structure. <i>Motion: That OAPCE updates be included as a standing item for future CPIC meeting in the 2012-13 school</i> <i>Moved by: Christine Dixon</i> <i>Seconded by: Teresa Palmer</i> <i>Motion carried.</i> It was recommended that CPIC endeavor to increase the OAPCE profile among our CSCs. Katherine also explained the conference and what is involved. Further discussion ensued regarding Council of Chairs meeting and providing refreshment for their upcoming meeting.</p>	<p>Katherine</p>
<p>6.2 BIPSA The 2012-2013 Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement was e-mailed to all members. Any further input can be included in the November CPIC meeting.</p>	<p>Derek</p>
<p>6.3 Length of CPIC Members Term Discussion ensued around staggering terms. Jeanette informed the CPIC that her term would end at the end of the 2012-13 school year. Syl also indicated this. This represents a secondary and an at-large position. Jeanette suggested we try to balance with an elementary. <i>Moved: Syl Painchaud</i> <i>Second: Bill Conway</i> <i>Motion carried.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Starting in September 2011 terms will be based on the school year calendar for either </p>	<p>Chris</p>





<p>one or two year term positions.”</p>	
<p>6.4 CPIC Budget Budget and Actuals from 2011-12 were reviewed. Syl moved that the Board be petitioned to pay 50% of the OAPCE membership with CPIC. Seconded by Bill. (the Board did do this a couple of years ago). Motion not carried- deferred to next meeting. Discussion ensued prior to vote. Peter reported that Roger did this as an exception to ensure the CPIC would join. He speculated it would be difficult for the Board to agree with this due to the financial situation the WCDSB is currently in. Moved that, “Further budget discussion deferred to next meeting.” Moved by: Teresa Palmer Seconded by: Katherine Flitton Motion carried</p>	<p>Chris</p>
<p>6.5 2012-2013 CPIC Goals 1. Hosting of an evening with a guest speaker (Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parent awareness of agencies supporting students and parents • Take a deeper look at the issue of social media (e.g. THINK capacity) • Take a deeper look at supporting parents on the issue of self-regulation • Support for students and parents regarding financial matters and how it impacts children) 2. Enhancing relationships with CSCs (PRO Grants) 3. Expand family of schools meetings 4. Build an awareness of OAPCE and promote/expand/build infrastructure. 5. Increase ProGrant applications Moved by: Syl Painchaud Second: Bill Conway Motion carried.</p>	<p>Chris</p>
<p>6.6 Mental Health Article An article was presented about Kids and Parents not discussing mental health concerns. (Toronto Star). The link to this article was emailed to all members. The article included information that many children (when facing a mental health issue i.e. depression) do not discuss with parents. Early intervention is key. Parents should ask leading questions around mental health issues. Discussion ensued regarding potential speakers, especially regarding mental health. Frank also presented an article regarding: The Faith, explaining the value of having publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario.</p>	<p>Frank</p>
<p>6.7 ICE- Beyond Catholic Education Survey The Institute for Catholic Education (ICE) (Sister Joan Cronin) has asked that graduates from secondary schools complete the “Beyond Catholic Graduation Survey” and encourage all Catholic graduates they know to do the same (link e-mailed). Survey closes early December, is currently</p>	<p>Derek</p>

on Board website.	
6.8 St. Benedict (Elementary) Vacancy Received Angela Raposo's resignation. Invitation went out and two applications received so far. Will be brought to the November meeting.	Chris
6.9 Speak Up Grants The Student Voice Initiative was explained. 100% of WCDSB schools will participate this year.	Derek
6.10 Dr. Stuart Shanker Dr. Stuart Shanker may be an excellent speaker for WCDSB on Self-Regulation. Possibly an excellent follow-up to Dr. Pascal. A Powerpoint was emailed to members. Will be discussed at next meeting.	Derek
6.11 Cashless Schools Senior Team reviewed this and determined that WCDSB would not be in a position to proceed at this time primarily due to the cost of implementation.	Derek

7. Adjournment
 Motion by: Jeanette Cowen
 Seconded: Syl Painchaud
 Motion carried

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 28, 2012

Action Items for Next Meeting:

1. Jonathan Wright – Faith Development
2. PRO Grant Information (especially larger grants)
3. Budget
4. Derek Haime to reach out to Thames Valley and invite or provide details regarding their anti-bullying alert system for our next meeting
5. OAPCE
6. Goals and assigning tasks
7. St. Benedict's position

