

Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Agenda


Date: Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Catholic Education Centre- St. Aloysius Room
Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 7th, 2015

Attendees: **Committee Members:** Chris Spere (Chair and St. Mary Elementary), Bill Conway(Trustee), Melanie Van Alphen (Trustee), Brian Schmalz (Trustee-alternate), Melina Pearson (Diocesan Rep.), Kimberly Snage(Resurrection-Elementary), Dorothy McCabe (member at large), Linda Gregorio (Monsignor Doyle- Elementary), Christine Dixon (St. David Elementary), Jorge Cortes(Kitchener-Secondary), David Perlaky (St. Benedict Elementary), Teresa Palmer(Waterloo-Secondary), Jody Fritz (Cambridge -Secondary), Paul Smith (Elementary Principal Rep.) , Simone Beaucage (Secondary Principal Rep.)

Administrative Official: Derek Haime

Regrets: Melina Pearson, Jody Fritz, Melanie Van Alphen, Dorothy McCabe, David Perlaky, Linda Gregorio

1. **Welcome, Introduction of Guests and Opening Prayer:** Chris, Derek
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Item 7.6 moved to after item #4 Teresa, Kim.
3. **Declared Pecuniary Interest:** none
4. **Approval of the Minutes:** George, Kim
5. **OAPCE:** see item 7.6



6. Trustee Update: (Bill, Brian): French Immersion Update- 2 WCDSB schools starting in September. International students- 225 in 2014-2015 -secondary and elementary. Parent and Staff School Climate Survey was completed and a brief overview was provided to the CPIC. Resiliency Initiative Survey for students in Grades 4-12. 7000 students participated. Results are currently being analyzed. Extended day sites- 27 in total. Monday evening- Senior Staff presented a balanced budget to the Board. Multi-year strategic plan (MYSP). Trustees met with staff on Saturday about the MYSP. A new Director of Education will be announced well prior to the retirement of Michael Schmitt on August 31 and the MYSP for years 2, 3 and 4 will be further developed at this time. Superintendent Maria Ivankovic has been seconded to the Ministry of Education for 3 years. This position will be filled on an interim basis in the next month or so. The Community Partner Award and Chair's Award were recently presented. The Waterloo Region Suicide Prevention Council was the recipient of the Community Partner Award. Joan Grundy was the recipient of the Chair's Award. Dr. Doug Letson won the Distinguished Graduate Award. Student Jesse Ventura won a Gold Medal at the National Skills Competition. Reminder of the October 1 Diocesan Mass at St. Mary Church, Kitchener.

7. Discussion Items

7.1 –Follow up: (Chris) Discussion stemming from the additional information Laura Morelli sent us in response to our questions from our last meeting.

7.2 – PIC Symposium Report (David): deferred


7.3 – EQAO Planning Session Report (Kimberly): EQAO walked through strategies for upcoming years and asked for feedback. There was discussion about how EQAO information is used and what education is necessary for parents to best interpret the results.

7.4 –WCDSB Multi-year strategic plan: (Chris): High level strategies have been set and working plans will be developed by staff going forward.

7.5- Strategies for communication-(Simone): Simone presented on how to find a central communication that is secure. Desire to learn- (D2L) was selected. A CPIC D2L site was created and a CPIC sub-committee will be formed in the next school year to help move this work forward.

7.6- OAPCE Conference Report (Denise Porter, Susan Smit): Susan and Denise attended the conference on behalf of WCDSB school councils and the CPIC. Presentations attached. Sherry Campbell gave the keynote address on “Raising Resilient Children” and Susan gave a brief verbal report on the keynote address.

7.8- CPIC Focus for 2015-2016: (Chris): (subject to approval by 2015-2016 CPIC) CPIC Communication, promote Catholic School Council handbook and update as



required, continue to support PRO Grants, continue to promote Council of Directors of Education parent resources, inquiry on possible research support to survey WCDSB catholic school councils.

7.9-CPIC Meeting 2015-16 (5:30 p.m. start, dinner 5 p.m.) (Derek)

- Wednesday, October 7th, 2015
- Wednesday, December 2nd, 2015
- Wednesday, February 3rd, 2016
- Wednesday, April 6th, 2016
- Wednesday, June 1st, 2016

Plus sub-committee dates as required

8. Gratitude and Closing Prayer: (Chris, Derek):

9. Adjournment:

Discussion Items for next meeting: CPIC Communication (D2L)- subcommittee for 2015-2016 school year, discussion about workshop evening for handbook.

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