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Long Time WCDSB Chief Information Officer Announces Retirement

Sandra Quehl concludes successful 25-year tenure serving Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools

Waterloo Region, ON – The students, staff and trustees of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools congratulate Chief Information Officer **Sandra Quehl** on her announced retirement and wish her great success in her new role as Director of Customer Solutions with the **Educational Computing Network of Ontario** (ECNO).

QuickFacts

- ✓ Prior to joining the Waterloo Catholic District School Board Sandra served as the first Manager of Information Technology for **York Region's Catholic Schools**.
- ✓ In 1990, as information technology was rapidly becoming an indispensable part of the learning environment in schools Sandra was tasked with creating what has become WCDSB's first-rate **Information Technology Services Department**.
- ✓ In 1996 Sandra became the first female president of the **Ontario Association of School Business Officials** (OASBO) and has been both a Director and President of ECNO.
- ✓ Significant among Sandra's team's accomplishments was its role in the founding and growth of the **Waterloo Region Waterloo Region Education and Public Network** (WREPNet) and the installation of "BrightLink" interactive white board technology in all classrooms and learning spaces in all WCDSB schools across the Region.
- ✓ In addition to her impressive list of professional achievements Sandra has also been a very active community volunteer serving on the board of **KW Counselling Services**, volunteering with the **Children's Wish Foundation** and helping coordinate major local sporting events including the 2006 and 2007 **International Softball Congress World Fastball Tournaments** and the 2008 CHL **Memorial Cup Tournament**.
- ✓ ECNO is a non-profit information technology cooperative incorporated to promote best practices and provide cost-effective IT solutions to its members. ECNO membership includes all 72 school boards in the province of Ontario. To those members ECNO provides an array of IT products and services, a forum for information sharing and networking, a mechanism for collective negotiations and purchasing, and a unified voice for inter-governmental communications.

Quotes

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“As the first Chief Information Officer for Waterloo Region’s Catholic Schools Sandra began at a time when technology was in its infancy at the board. But with her ability to plan and execute strategically she has overseen the growth and development of technology in our board that contributes to the strong and vibrant learning community we have become. Her leadership has prepared us well for our new path towards 21st Century teaching and learning. On behalf of everyone here at WCDSB I thank Sandra for her dedication over the past 25 years and extend best wishes on her new journey forward”.

~~ Michael Schmitt, Director of Education

“I have enjoyed my 25 years working with my colleagues and friends at WCDSB as together we have helped ensure the students of WCDSB receive an outstanding educational experience and achieve excellence within Waterloo Region and Ontario.”

~~ Sandra Quehl

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