



Minutes

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CATHOLIC PARENT ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CPEC) held on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom, 1355 Lansdowne Street West, Peterborough.

PRESENT:

Present: Ryan Brooks, Nathalie Ingram, John Leduc (Chairperson),
Michelle Griepsma (Ex Officio), Charmaine Lusted, Fr. Paul Massel,
Julie McCarthy

Administration: Michael Nasello, Director of Education

Absent/Regrets: Linda Ainsworth, Laura Bassett, Lisa Hiltz, Patrick McNeil

Guests: Catholic School Council Members
Mandy Chan, Monsignor Leo Cleary Catholic Elementary School
Susan Joyce, St. Teresa Catholic Elementary School
Vanessa Parmiter, St. Alphonsus Catholic Elementary School

Recorder: Mrs. P. Smith.

A. Call to Order of the Open Meeting – 6:32 P.M.:

1. Opening Prayer.

The Chairperson, Mr. John Leduc, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and asked Michael Nasello to lead the Opening Prayer.

2. Approval of the Agenda.

MOTION: Moved by Charmaine Lusted, seconded by Natalie Ingram,
that the Agenda be accepted as presented

Carried.

3. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.

There were no conflicts declared.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the CPEC Meeting held on January 16, 2017

MOTION: Moved by Natalie Ingram, seconded by Julie McCarthy,
that the Minutes of the January 16, 2017, CPEC Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried.

The Committee inquired if the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School Parents Reaching Out (PRO) grant was local or regional. Mr. Nasello, Director of Education, clarified that it was regional.

5. Business Arising Out of the Minutes.

There were no items.

B. Presentations:

1. Renewing the Promise – Catholic Education Consultation – Mrs. Laurie Corrigan.

The Catholic School Council Committee and guests joined the Faith and Equity Advisory Committee in the Large Boardroom of the Catholic Education Centre to hear *Renewing the Promise* presentation followed by an opportunity to participate in the consultation process.

2. Strategic Planning Consultation.

As a system wide process, Mr. Michael Nasello, Director of Education, shared a presentation on the Strategic Planning Consultation process and collected input from the Committee.

3. Social and Recognition Evening Planning for May 24, 2017.

Pam Smith shared the below report that was provided by Michelle Kennedy.

1. Location: St. Peter Catholic Secondary School cafeteria is booked.
2. Meal: St. Peter Catholic S.S. declined the invitation and the Cheese Shop will be catering the meal.
3. Guest Speaker: Fr. Gilles Mongeau –Will be speaking on “Belonging in a Catholic School”.
4. Gifts: Journals (similar to previous years) have been ordered and are scheduled to arrive this week. They will have the cross, logo and the Board’s vision on the cover.
5. Program: The program will follow last year’s script. After discussion the Committee confirmed they would like to have a power point presentation containing photos of events that will loop during dinner.
6. Invitation: The invitation will be sent out this week to the Catholic School Council Chairs/Co-Chairs, OAPCE representatives, Trustees, Superintendents and Principals. Chairs are invited to extend the invitation to up to three council members per school. If a Chair is unable to attend they should encourage representation to attend the event.

4. Fall Event Planning:

Mr. Nasello discussed the possibility of having Jennifer Kolari, a child and family therapist and author as a presenter to consider for the November parent event. Mr. Nasello shared one of Jennifer Kolari’s short videos, “The Calm Technique and Child Brain Development” on TVO.

5. Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Symposium:

Charmaine Lusted reported that a team from PVNCCDSB attended the April 22, 2017 symposium held in Barrie.

This event was hosted by the Ministry of Education. This was an opportunity to share in discussions with the Ministry and network with other Boards. Laura Bassett and Michael Nasello shared a presentation at the event on what our Board is about. This event was an opportunity for voices to be heard and share in the importance of Catholic Education.

C. Information Items:

1. 2017-2018 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants.
Documentation on the 2017-2018 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants were attached to the Agenda for the Committees review. Mr. Nasello shared that the applications are due May 25, 2017. Ontario's PRO Grants are designed to support parents in identifying barriers to parent engagement in their own community and to find local solutions to involve more parents in support of student achievement and well-being.

The Committee discussed this year parent series and that it has been very successful. There was discussion that a PRO grant could be developed to offer four regional sessions one in each region of the Board. These sessions could then be shared Board wide through a video link. Parents are to work together to create the applications. Mr. Nasello offered that a Consultant or Board staff member could assist in developing an application with the parents. Some applications areas could be around supporting learning through math, self-regulation and indigenous education as a few suggestions.

MOTION: Moved by John Leduc, seconded by Natalie Ingram,

that the Catholic Parent Engagement Committee (CPEC) move forward with a PRO grant application on behalf of the Board to fund a regional speaker series.

Carried.

2. OAPCE Representative Report – Laura Bassett
This item is deferred to the next meeting.
3. Committee Member Updates:
There were no updates.

D. Next Committee Meeting/Special Events:

1. Wednesday, May 24, 2017 – Social/Recognition Evening – St. Peter Catholic Secondary School, 730 Medical Drive, Peterborough, ON.
2. Monday, June 5, 2017
3. Future Agenda Items.

E. Conclusion:

1. Closing Prayer – Ryan Brooks
2. Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Julie McCarthy, seconded by Natalie Ingram

that the meeting adjourn; 8:50 p.m.

Carried.