

## MINUTES OF THE CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (CPIC)

Date: December 4, 2017  
Time: 7:00 pm  
Location: Catholic Education Centre - Board Room  
802 Drury Lane  
Burlington, Ontario

Members Present C. Cipriano G. Merritt-Murrell  
D. Garell-Teti R. Stagg  
Fr. Francis Salasiar A. Gonzalez  
K. Bivand R. Alfaro  
V. Monaco S. Guevara  
C. Thompson A. A. LeMay  
H. Karabela;

Regrets M. Fuentes;

Chair: R. Stagg  
Recording Secretary M. Zammit

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### 1. Opening Prayer: Fr. Francis Salasiar

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer led by Fr. **Francis Salasiar**

### 2. Approval & Revisions

#### 5.1 Agenda

**Moved by:** R. Alfaro

**Seconded by:** S. Guevara

**That,** the agenda be approved as amended;

**CARRIED**

#### 5.2 Minutes

**Moved by:** D. Garell-Teti

**Seconded by:** A. Gonzalez

**That,** the minutes of the November 6, 2017 Catholic Parent Involvement Committee be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

### 3. Board Update

C. Cipriano provided Board update on the following:

- Provided information on the RFP process and ISW Uniforms; all concerns shared with ISW staff and president.
- Elementary Progress Report Cards have been distributed to parents; Elementary interviews occurred on November 23-24, 2017.
- Secondary Mid-Term Reports have been distributed to parents.
- Provincial Bullying Prevention and Awareness week took place November 19-25, 2017. The board's annual "See the Problem, Be the Solution program had it's kick off event on November 21, 2017.
- Holy Trinity CSS hosted Empty Bowls to Eliminate Hunger on November 30, 2017.

- Elementary Boys and Girls Volleyball System Championships were completed at the end of November.
- Information on OurSchool online survey, formerly called “Tell Them From Me” was provided.
- Indigenous Advisory Circle Meeting will take place on December 14, 2017.
- Keeping Christ in Christmas Contest.
- Last day before Christmas Break is December 22, 2017, with an early dismissal.
- Discussion took place regarding quality of ISW Uniforms and the RFP process;

#### 4. **Trustee Update**

H. Karabela provided Trustee update on the following:

- The final recommendation from the French Ad Hoc Committee regarding the French Program was presented to the Board of Trustees on November 21, 2017. The Motion failed with a unanimous vote. New amendments were added and passed.
- Discussion followed on the French Program and the unanimous vote that took place; staffing issues/concerns were shared from CPIC members.
- The Motion, which was put forth by H. Karabela, “Upholding the Sanctity of Life Through Donations or the Purchase of Services” failed.
- Policy II-41 [School Uniform Dress Code - School Dress Code](#) is out for Stakeholder Consultation. CPIC members were encouraged to double-check their emails to ensure they received communication regarding this.

#### 5. **Business Arising from Previous Meetings**

Nothing to report.

#### 6. **Council of Chairs Agenda Review**

Nothing to report.

#### 7. **Other Business**

##### **PRO Regional Grant – use of funds**

G. Merritt-Murrell noted the deadline of December 15, 2017 to use the PRO Regional Grant funds. Unfortunately no plans have been made as of yet. It has been a challenge to make plans within the given timeframe. G. Merritt-Murrell will connect with Ministry to inquire about using the funds in the New Year. Further discussion followed about possible speakers and options.

#### 8. **OAPCE Directors Report**

Garell-Teti shared information on an OAPCE Newsletter, which was sent to all OAPCE Reps. Upcoming events: Board of Directors Meeting in January; OAPCE Rep/Parish Rep Retreat will take place on January 18, 2018 at St. Raphael Parish, more details to come.

#### 9. **Board Committee Report**

- **Focus on Faith** – Meeting took place on November 16, 2017.
- **Calendar** – Meeting will take place in January.
- **SEAC** – Upcoming meeting next week;

#### 10. **CPIC Subcommittee**

Nothing to report.

**11. Review of Past Events –**

- People 4 Education Conference –Positive feedback was provided
- ICE Symposium – Positive feedback was provided
- Bishop Dinner –Excellent turnout. Golf Tournament will take place on June 6, 2018.

**12. Upcoming Events Updates**

- Christmas Social - December 18, 2017 at Fraticelli's Italian Grill and Bar.

**13. Future Agenda Items**

- Speaker options for upcoming Council of Chairs Meetings. Discussion followed regarding possible topics to be addressed such as drug awareness and the changes to marijuana use. Superintendents Camillo Cipriano and Tim Overholt could possibly speak to the matter, and provide an FAQ Sheet on what this will look like in our schools.
- Questions were asked about what has been put in place for families/staff affected by the tragedy that occurred at Corpus Christi Secondary School – and how can CPIC provide support for parents. Superintendent Cipriano responded with details/information on the Board's Compassionate Care Crisis Response Team. He will connect with Superintendent L. Naar to inquire about further support for parents.

- 14. Moved by:** A. Gonzalez  
**Seconded by:** R. Alfaro  
**That,** the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED****15. Closing Prayer**

Fr. Francis Salaslar closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.