



Durham Catholic District School Board

MINUTES of the **OPEN SESSION** of the **DURHAM CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING** of the Durham Catholic District School Board which was held at the Catholic Education Centre on **Wednesday, February 20, 2013.**

Committee Members

Trevor Aitcheson
Dyan Cato
Tricia Chapman
Theresa Corless, Trustee
Sharmaine Doyle
Roxanne Horwitz, Chair
Christopher Leahy, Trustee
Rose LoPresti
Mary Ann Martin, Trustee
Jim McGrorey
Tina Newth
Daphne Pereira
Donna Simpson
Margaret Stack

Staff Present

Mitch LePage, Resource
Lorrie MacIntosh

Regrets

Nancy Carpenter
Beth Hawkins
Tina Henry
Daphne Pereira

CALL TO ORDER

Item a.1 **Opening Prayer**

Superintendent LePage offered the opening prayer.

Item a.2 **Welcome and Courtesies**

Chair Horwitz called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item b.1 **Changes to Printed Agenda**

Chair Horwitz amended the agenda to allow item f.1 to begin at 8:00 p.m.

Item b.2 Approval of Agenda

Motion No. DCPIC0220-01

Approval of Agenda

Moved by J. McGrorey, seconded by T. Aitcheson

“THAT the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approve the February 20, 2013 Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Agenda as amended.”

Carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next meeting: Thursday, April 4, 2013

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

Item d.1 Approval and Signing of Minutes of the Open Session of the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of January 10, 2013

Motion No. DCPIC0220-02

Approval of Minutes

Moved by J. McGrorey, seconded by S. Doyle

“THAT the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approve the Minutes of the January 10, 2013 Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting as submitted.”

Carried

Item d.2 Business Arising from the Open Session of the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Meeting of January 10, 2013

None.

PRESENTATIONS

Item e.1 OAPCE

Orlanda Sousa from OAPCE presented an overview of the OAPCE organization to the committee followed by a question and answer period. She encouraged all parents to visit their website www.oapce.on.ca and also attend the Annual OAPCE Conference in Peterborough May 24-25, 2013.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Item f.1 **School Fundraising**

While a preliminary discussion took place at the January 10th DCPIC meeting, given the late hour, it was determined that this matter would be discussed at the February meeting. Trustee Leahy discussed sharing fund raising funds between schools and asked the committee and parents for their input. Superintendent LePage provided an overview of the Board's Fundraising Policy and then facilitated a small group discussion on the subject. Each group was asked to consider the subject of fundraising and to present a summary of their discussions (attached).

Item f.2 **DCPIC Financial Records Update**

Superintendent LePage provided the committee with an updated Financial Report (*attached*). A memo will be sent to all principals and school council chairs regarding the School PRO funds and the Parent Involvement funds outlining expectations and timelines. Chair Horwitz asked the committee members to follow-up with their schools. Superintendent LePage will follow up with the principals. The discussion regarding the expenditure of available funds will be added to the agenda for next month.

Item f.3 **DCPIC Meeting Dates**

J. McGrorey requested that the committee move the meeting dates to the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Superintendent LePage spoke to the Board calendar that was approved by Trustees and is in the public domain. This item will be deferred to the next meeting. Chair Horwitz requested the addition of a meeting in June.

Motion No. DCPIC0220-03

Additional Meeting

Moved by J. McGrorey, seconded by D. Cato

“THAT the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approve an additional meeting of June 11, 2013.”

Carried

Item f.4 **Support for DCPIC attendance at the 2013 OAPCE Conference**

Chair Horwitz proposed that the DCPIC provide funding for all DCPIC members to attend the OAPCE Conference on May 24-25, 2013 in Peterborough.

Motion No. DCPIC0220-04

OAPCE Conference Support

Moved by J. McGrorey, seconded by D. Cato

“THAT the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approve the funding for all DCPIC members to attend the OAPCE Conference May 24-25, 2013 in Peterborough.”

Carried

Item f.5 People for Education 2013 School Survey

Chair Horwitz encouraged all parents to respond to the People for Education Survey. Superintendent LePage will follow up with principals.

<http://www.peopleforeducation.ca/research/school-surveys/>

REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

Item g.1 STANDING ITEMS

Item g.1.1 Chair’s Report

Chair Horwitz provided an overview of her report (*attached*).

Item g.1.2 Trustees Report

Trustee Leahy shared with the committee the current bus pass situation facing the Board. The Region has increased the cost of bus passes by 50% which will affect secondary school transportation as the Board currently covers the cost of bus passes for students living in a transporting area.

Item g.1.3 Resource Report

Superintendent LePage provided information on the following items:

- Two schools will be closing, St. Anthony Daniel C.S. and St. Marguerite Bourgeoys C.S. The Board will be consolidating Our Lady of the Bay and Holy Redeemer Catholic Schools into one new Catholic elementary school (*location pending*);
- Current issue with bus passes for secondary students living in a transporting area as noted in the Trustee’s Report; and
- The Board budget process for 2013-2014 school year has begun. A proposed framework is coming to the Board for approval on Monday.

Item g.1.4 Policies and Administrative Procedures for Feedback

Superintendent LePage informed the committee that there are a number of policies and administrative procedures that continue to be available for public input on the Board website.

Item g.1.5 OAPCE Update

The OAPCE Conference will be held May 24 – 25th in Peterborough funding will be provided to DCPIC members.

Item g.1.6 Strategic Plan

No update.

Item g.1.7 PRO Grant Sub-Committee Report

C. Sampson provided the committee with an overview of the committee's progress (*attached*). C. Sampson will forward committee minutes to all DCPIC members.

Item g.1.8 Communications Sub-Committee Report

Superintendent LePage will follow-up and distribute Communications Committee minutes to DCPIC members.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Motion No. DCPIC0220-05 Adjournment

Moved by T. Newth, seconded by T. Aitcheson

“THAT the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2013 adjourn.”

Carried

Roxanne Horwitz
Chair, Durham Catholic Parent
Involvement Committee

Mitch LePage
Superintendent of Education



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MAY 24, 2013

12:00 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS
HOLIDAY INN PETERBOROUGH WATERFRONT
150 GEORGE STREET NORTH, PETERBOROUGH

7:00 P.M.

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150 GEORGE STREET NORTH, PETERBOROUGH

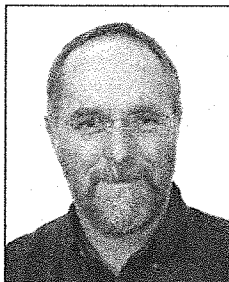
MAY 25, 2013

8:00 A.M.

REGISTRATION, CONFERENCE AND MASS
ST. PETER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL
730 MEDICAL DRIVE, PETERBOROUGH

7:00 P.M.

GALA AWARDS DINNER
HOLIDAY INN PETERBOROUGH WATERFRONT
150 GEORGE STREET NORTH, PETERBOROUGH



Keynote Address

Michael Reist

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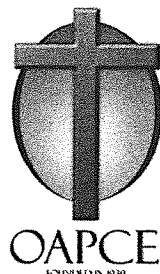
Michael Reist is a teacher in Ontario's publically funded Catholic schools. He has over 30 years experience in the field and is a frequent speaker at parent groups and conferences across Canada. With 4 published books and over 70 articles on topics ranging from education, spirituality and parenting to movies, books, social media and pop culture, Michael is an expert in the field of education, student well-being as well as parent engagement.

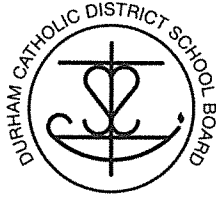
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DURHAM CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MEMORANDUM

TO: Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee

FROM: Mitch LePage, Superintendent of Education – Resource for Parent Engagement

DATE: February 20, 2013

SUBJECT: Financial Update

The information below summarizes the revenue and expenditures for last year and the current year to date. Furthermore, there is a carry-forward amount of \$34,054.34 from the 2010 – 2011 school year which is included in the total funds available amount.

	2011/2012		
	Revenue	Expenditures	Variance
General Ministry Funding (GSN)	\$8,649.00	\$8,649.00	\$0.00
Regional Pro Grant	\$10,000.00	\$2,992.66	\$7,007.34
School Pro Funds	\$20,500.00	\$16,420.48	\$4,079.52
School Parent Involvement Funds (GSN)	\$23,500.00	\$11,658.54	\$11,841.46
Total	\$62,649.00	\$39,720.68	\$22,928.32
	2012/2013		
	Revenue	Expenditures	Variance
General Ministry Funding (GSN)	\$8,591.00	\$1,581.97	\$7,009.03
Regional Pro Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
School Pro Funds	\$17,135.00	\$0.00	\$17,135.00
School Parent Involvement Funds (GSN)	\$24,000.00	\$2,420.93	\$21,579.07
Total	\$49,726.00	\$4,002.90	\$45,723.10
Total Funds Available at January 31, 2013			\$102,705.76

Additional Notes:

- The total funds available amount above does NOT include the allocation of approx. \$19,000 receivable for the regional PRO Grant project re: Demystifying Youth Mental Health.
- Part of the reason for the carry-forward amounts year over year is because the Ministry has permitted both school boards and schools to retain unspent funds into the next school year. In addition, the DCPIC has received funding from other sources (eg. OAPCE) which has reduced the amount of anticipated expenditures at the local level.
- The Ministry has announced that schools may retain their 2011-2012 funds provided these are expended by the end of this school year. This information will be reinforced with schools in a memo to Catholic School Council Chairs and Principals.
- The DCPIC may want to consider the strategic expenditure/allocation of these funds in support of parent engagement at both the board and local school level through focused and specific initiatives.
- Staff will also be preparing a report of both local PRO grants and Parent Engagement funds expended at the local school level to date. This information will be forwarded to DCPIC members as soon as it becomes available for follow-up to encourage expenditure of these funds.

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THE DURHAM CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
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POLICY

FUND RAISING

POLICY AREA: OPERATIONS

PURPOSE

To provide direction to the school community with regards to fund raising as a support for variety of school initiatives.

APPLICATION/SCOPE

This policy applies to all groups involved in fund raising within a school, including the principal, staff, students, school council and various parent groups.

PRINCIPLES

The Board recognizes:

- ▶ its responsibility to provide a quality education; consistent with the Mission and purpose of Catholic education as it relates to the intellectual and spiritual development of all its' students.
- ▶ that fund raising activities devised and organized by the Principal, in consultation with the school community (in whole or part) are those initiatives which raise funds for school purposes.
- ▶ fund raising in its schools for the purpose of supporting Church sponsored causes, supporting charitable campaigns and enhancing school programs, projects, materials and supplies.
- ▶ that the planning of school fund raising activities shall take into account the diversity of their communities, their ability to contribute and the timing of such activities.
- ▶ its responsibility for the safety, protection and monitoring of its students in any canvassing for fund raising programs connected to its schools.

PRINCIPLES - Cont'd.

The Board recognizes: cont'd.

- ▶ its responsibility to ensure that schools accurately account for and manage all monies raised through fund raising activities.
- ▶ the duties of the Principal to report annually to the school community on any fund raising activities that he/she has approved in consultation with the school community.

DEFINITIONS

- ▶ **Minor Campaign:** A minor campaign would involve a part of the student body in fund raising activities (i.e. a division, a department, a classroom etc.).
- ▶ **Major Campaign:**
 - ▶ involves the entire student community;
 - ▶ may include canvassing funds from extended family; and
 - ▶ is intended to raise the greatest amount of funds for the benefit of the entire student body.
- ▶ **Church Sponsored Campaign:** A fund raising activity with the objective of raising money to support a Church sponsored activity (e.g., Share Life, Missions etc.).
- ▶ **Sacramental Causes:** A fund raising activity with the objective of raising money to offset the costs involved with the first reception of sacraments (e.g., Confirmation gowns etc.).
- ▶ **Charitable Campaign:** A fund raising activity with the objective of raising money to support a charitable organization (e.g., Canadian Cancer Society, Easter Seal Campaign, etc.).
- ▶ **School Activities:** A fund raising activity with the objective of raising money for school activities (e.g., playday, Christmas party, etc.).
- ▶ **School Excursion:** A fund raising activity with the objective of raising money to offset the costs incurred in school excursions (e.g., transportation costs, etc.).

REQUIREMENTS

The Principal under the direction of the Director of Education and/or designate, shall:

- ▶ co-ordinate and assume all responsibilities for fund raising activities. Each fund raising activity must be subject to the approval of the Principal in consultation with the appropriate Family of Schools Superintendent;
- ▶ review the fund raising policy annually with the Catholic School Council;
- ▶ plan, implement and be accountable in consultation with the Catholic School Council, for all fund raising activities including disbursements of all monies collected;
- ▶ ensure that contractual agreements to raise funds are first approved by the Family of Schools Superintendent in consultation with the Superintendent of Business in accordance with financial accounting procedures of the Board;
- ▶ give careful consideration to the nature, number, extent and frequency of all fund raising activities approved. Ensure that fund raising activities do not interfere unduly with the learning environment of the school;
- ▶ inform parents/guardians and the school community in writing of all fund raising activities and their purpose **prior** to the occurrence of each activity;
- ▶ ensure that no more than one major campaign occur in a school per school year;
- ▶ ensure that student participation is voluntary;
- ▶ obtain written consent from parents/guardians for all students under the age of 18 participating in major fund raising activities;
- ▶ ensure that parents and students are informed that fund raising campaigns do not require door-to-door canvassing or public solicitation;
- ▶ set procedures for collecting money raised through fund raising activities and for maintaining appropriate accounting procedures in accordance with Administrative Procedure 200, Financial Accounting Procedures in Schools;
- ▶ ensure that the collection and disbursement of fund raising monies are processed through appropriate school accounts;
- ▶ ensure that financial statements regarding major fund raising activities are published in an annual report to the school community in accordance with Ministry of Education Regulation 612/00.

Parent Involvement Funds (12/13)

SCHOOL	Amount Deposited 12/13	Amount Spent	Balance as of Feb 20/13
Sir Albert Love	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Christopher	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Hedwig	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
John XXIII	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Joseph (Oshawa)	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Msgr. Philip Coffey	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Thomas Aquinas	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Msgr. Paul Dwyer	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Fr. Joseph Venini	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Bernadette	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Holy Redeemer	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Isaac Jogues	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Francis de Sales	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Marguerite Bourgeoys	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Joseph (Uxbridge)	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Arch. Denis O'Connor	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. John the Evangelist	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Leo	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Paul	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
St. Theresa	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Our Lady of the Bay	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Immaculate Conception	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. James	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Anthony Daniel	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Monica	\$500.00	\$420.93	\$79.07
St. Mary	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Jude	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Msgr. John Pereyma	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Marguerite D'Youville	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
St. Bernard	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Fr. Leo J. Austin	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Catherine of Siena	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Matthew	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Mark	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Elizabeth Seton	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Wilfrid	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
St. Patrick	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Holy Family	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Mother Teresa	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Good Shepherd	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. John Bosco	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Josephine Bakhita	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Luke the Evangelist	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
All Saints	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Notre Dame	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Bridget	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Brother Andre	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Fr. Don MacLellan	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
	<u>\$24,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,420.93</u>	<u>\$21,579.07</u>

2012 2013 PRO School Council Projects
as at February 20, 2013

SCHOOL

	Budget	Expended	Balance
St. Christopher	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Bernadette	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Arch. Denis O'Connor	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Leo	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Paul	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
Immaculate Conception	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
St. James	\$525.00	\$0.00	\$525.00
St. Anthony Daniel	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Monica	\$710.00	\$0.00	\$710.00
Msgr. John Pereyma	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Bernard	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Fr. Leo J. Austin	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Catherine of Siena	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Mark	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Elizabeth Seton	\$1,000.00	\$561.12	\$438.88
St. Luke	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
All Saints	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
St. Bridget	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Brother Andre	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
TOTALS	\$17,135.00	\$561.12	\$16,573.88

DURHAM CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

CHAIR'S REPORT

TO: DCPIC, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SCHOOL CHAIRS AND PARENTS
FROM: ROXANNE HORWITZ
SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 2013 REPORT
DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 2013

As the newly elected chair for the DCPIC (as of January 10, 2013), it is my hope that we continue to follow the mandate and responsibilities of our committee as set in our bylaws. Some examples outlined in Section 3:

- to support, encourage, and enhance meaningful parent engagement at the board level
- to improve student achievement and well-being;
- to determine, in consultation with the director of education, how ministry funding, if any, for parent engagement initiatives is to be allocated
- to share effective practices to help engage parents in their children's learning, identify and reduce barriers to parent engagement, and help ensure that schools are welcoming to parents;
- to support initiatives that help build knowledge and skills that will assist the PIC and school councils of the board with their work.

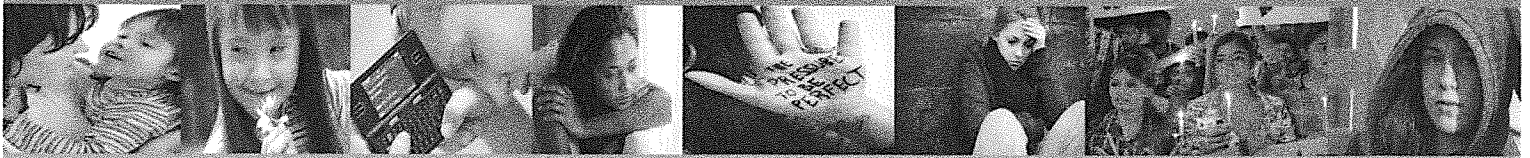
It is important that we are accountable and transparent to our school community, and that we share information in a timely manner. We achieve this by seeking input, providing meeting and financial reports, and being available to our local schools and our parents at large. I look forward to working with such a committed group of people!

February Report

- Financial Records
 - a) Superintendent LePage will be providing the financial update in his Resource report today. Depending on the balance of the DCPIC funds and the deadlines, we as a group need to determine what we can spend it on to support our parents/schools.
 - b) Need to determine how many schools have spent the \$500 given to each school council – we need to contact schools who have not yet submitted any claims to the board office
 - c) Need to determine how many schools have received PRO Grant funds, and if all of it was spent – if there are extra funds, we need to determine what we can allocate it towards...
 - d) Some ideas with funds: welcome folders for all school councils, establish newsletters (quarterly), training courses for parents to help them with their children's learning, DCPIC technology equipment, aiding schools in need for breakfast programs/ coats, other necessities.....
 - e) Mileage Reimbursement for DCPIC members – remind all members that all regular and subcommittee meetings and conferences are approved to be reimbursed. Please submit claims to Lorrie indicating dates, to and from location, number of km – with name, signature and date on document. I will send an email to every parent member that shows a sample document of what I send in to Lorrie.

- OAPCE

- a) Thank you to Orlanda for the presentation on OAPCE today. Let's please continue to share with all parents what OAPCE does, and also to invite them to the upcoming conference.
 - b) I have reserved 10 rooms at the Holiday Inn in Peterborough for the May 24-25 OAPCE Conference. We need to determine how many DCPIC members are attending. If we need more rooms, we need to book soon as availability is limited.
 - c) Need to vote on conference funding for DCPIC, with hotel and mileage reimbursement included. Need to get numbers of attendees from our DCPIC.
 - d) OAPCE rebate --. I have applied for rebate which is approximately \$900 given to us by OAPCE. It is 30% of the fees paid by our board.
- Community Representatives
 - a) The nominations committee is currently working on the process. Currently, we are determining all formats of advertising the available positions – such as local newspaper ads, parish bulletins, board and school websites, social media, mass announcement
 - b) Durham region newspaper ad --- The cost for a one-time classified ad ¼ page, black/white would be \$2917.20+HST. For a 1/6 page (which could be tight for space depending on how detailed the ad would be) the cost would be \$1989.00+HST. We need to vote on this.
 - c) The nominations committee is also developing criteria and application form before it can be advertised.
 - d) The selection process will take place in March, and we hope to formally approve the community representatives in the April 4 DCPIC meeting.
- DCPIC Representative Per School
 - a) As a committee with currently 14 parent members, we have divided up the 47 schools in our board, to personally look after, and be their primary contact. It works out to be about 3 schools for each DCPIC parent member. Once, the community representatives are selected, they will be given schools to represent.
 - b) There is a spreadsheet that shows which members and schools are together. This information will also be posted on our website. All school councils have been approached by the DCPIC member about this more personal partnership.
 - c) By committing to this approach, we hope to make it easier for our schools to reach out to the DCPIC, and for our committee members to make it simpler to foster relationships (when we can concentrate on 3-4 schools)
- DCPIC website
 - a) Our website is almost finished. It is in fact, available to view at www.dcpic.ca . But please note that all information is not updated or complete yet. We hope to finish in the next few weeks.
 - b) The communications subcommittee is also working on a logo for the DCPIC.
 - c) The cost for annual subscription for this website is \$15.
 - d) The DCPIC website will be linked at each school's website and also at the board's website.
- Meeting Dates
 - a) Our last meeting date this year is for May. However, we have typically had meetings in June. There is a need for this additional meeting due to the many projects and work we are doing.
 - b) Need to add motion for a meeting in June for either June 6 or 13.
- Term Limits
 - a) Reminder for everyone to submit their preference for term limits for either 1 year or 2 years.
 - b) These are 2 year term limits so far for: Roxanne, Tina N and Rose
 - c) These are 1 year term limits so far for: Margaret, Tricia
 - d) We need to have 7 members for 2 year terms and 7 members for 1 year terms



The
Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee
Presents



Demystifying Youth Mental Health

Speaker Series & Conference

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Speaker Series

Kevin Cameron

Date: Wednesday March 20th, 2013

Location: DCDSB Catholic Education Centre, Oshawa

Time: TBC / Evening

Dr. Sandra Mendlowitz -TBC

Date: TBC/Tuesday April 9, 16, 23, 30, 2013

Location: TBC, Notre Dame CSS, Ajax

Time: TBC/ Evening

3rd Speaker-TBC

Date: TBC- 2013

Location: TBC, Uxbridge-Port Perry

Time: TBC

Conference

"Understanding The Bigger Picture" -Theme TBC

Date: Saturday May 18th, 2013- TBC (Full Day Event)

Location: TBC / Ajax-Whitby

Suggested Conference Activities may include:

Faith Celebration

Vendors

Special Keynote Speaker

2 Breakout Sessions (participants choose 2 from 6-8 options)

Lunch Break

Vendor Showcase (vendors 30 sec presentations)

1 Breakout Session (participants choose 1 from 6-8 options)

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Entertainment

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Speaker Series

Wednesday March 20th, 2013

Suggested Venue: DCDSB Catholic Education Centre, 6:30PM TBC



J. Kevin Cameron, M.Sc., R.S.W.,

Kevin Cameron is a Diplomat with the American Academy of Experts in Traumatic Stress and a Board Certified Expert in Traumatic Stress. In concert with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Behavioural Sciences Unit, he developed Canada's first comprehensive, multidisciplinary threat assessment training program and currently serves on the Canadian Threat Assessment Training Board. He also trains crisis response teams nationally and internationally and consults with schools and communities impacted by trauma.

Eight days after the tragic school shooting at Columbine High School, a fourteen-year-old boy entered a school in Taber, Alberta with hundreds of rounds of ammunition and opened fire in Canada's first, high-profile school shooting. Kevin led the crisis response during that incident, and shortly thereafter was seconded by the Alberta Government to a 13-month initiative where he studied traumatic aftermath from a "human systems approach." Through consultation with several American sites that had experienced school shootings, and other trauma sites throughout North America, Kevin developed the Traumatic Event Systems (TES) Model.

In March 2001, Kevin was invited to Washington, D.C. by the United States Secret Service and the U.S. Department of Education, where he presented parts of the TES Model and opened international collaborative relations for the development of threat assessment protocols and related training.

Kevin was recently invited to Washington, D.C. by the U.S. Department of Education, U.S. State Department and the OECD, to participate with members of the United States Secret Service and leaders from the September 11th New York City crisis response efforts, in an "International Meeting on Helping Schools Prepare for and Respond to Terrorist Attacks."

He has years of clinical experience, including working in the Child Welfare and Young Offender systems in Canada, providing high-risk assessment and intervention with children, youth and families. He is also Adjunct Faculty with Loma Linda University (Canadian Campus) where he teaches "Crisis Intervention Counselling" in the graduate program.

Proposed date: Tuesday April 9, 16, 23 Or 30th, 2013

Suggested Venue: Notre Dame CSS, Ajax



Dr. Sandra Mendlowitz, Ph.D., C.Psych.

Dr. Sandra Mendlowitz is a founding partner of the Clinical Psychology Centre. She is a Registered Psychologist with the College of Psychologist of Ontario and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Child Psychiatry at the University of Toronto. She has an extensive clinical and research background in the area of anxiety disorders. Her clinical focus is in anxiety and mood disorders with a particular focus on Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder and Selective Mutism.

Dr. Mendlowitz has authored several cognitive-behavioural therapy treatment manuals for anxiety and mood disorders. In addition, she continues to train and supervise other mental health professionals and to engage in disseminating knowledge at various international conferences.

Psychologist, SickKids Hospital, January 2001– Present (12 years 2 months)

Clinical Psychologist Anxiety Disorders Team and Assistant Professor, Dept of Child Psychiatry, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto

- Providing clinical and diagnostic assessments, and treatment intervention to children, adolescents, and families.

Main therapeutic intervention is Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)

- Clinical and research supervisor CBT educator / supervisor.
- Research interests and projects in anxiety, obsessive compulsive disorder, selective mutism
- Development of evidence-based treatments to support psychological well-being, and effective use of coping strategies in childhood and adolescents, and parents.
- Community and academic presentations regarding awareness of mental health issues and how they impact on childhood, adolescents, and parenting, as well as health related issues.

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