



REGIONAL CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Virtual - Microsoft Teams

Members: Carol Luciani (Trustee), Phil Wilson (Superintendent of Education), Marcia DeDominicis (Principal Lead), Marie Teskey, Melanie Montague, Heather Graham, Holly Colaiacovo, Joseph Persia, Shannon Mason, Gregory Wilson, Melodie Spencer

Guests: Tracey Austin (Manager of Communications and Community Relations/Privacy Officer), Dianne Wdowczyk (Mental Health Lead), April Taylor (Senior Social Worker), Terre Slaght (Principal of Continuing Education/Summer School Administrator), Amy Pimentel (Vice Principal of Continuing Education and Alternative programming/Summer School Administrator)

1. Opening Prayer

Marie Teskey led with a prayer.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Superintendent Wilson provided a land acknowledgment.

3. Welcome and Opening Comments

Superintendent Wilson welcomed all parents and guests and thanked everyone and reminded everyone that this is the final RCPIC meeting of the year.

4. Approval of Agenda

Approved by: Marcia De Dominicis

Seconded by: Phil Wilson

THAT the RCPIC approves the agenda of the May 17, 2023, meeting.

Carried

5. Declaration of Interest - Nil

6. Approval of the Minutes

Approved by: Phil Wilson

Seconded by: Marcia DeDominicis

THAT the Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approves the minutes of the February 22, 2023, meeting.

Carried



7. Institute for Catholic Education Conference Update from the Co-Chairs

Marie Teskey attended a conference about Coming Together.

8. Vaping Policy/BHNCDSB Website/Survey

Tracey Austin:

Vaping: Bring awareness of the issue of student vaping for families; share local, provincial information; Health units are reporting that teacher as young as grade 5 and 6 have been specifically requesting information on vaping

What HNHU is asking is for unified approach/process across all schools in Haldimand and Haldimand County.

The Board will be drafting and vetting a vaping policy.

School District Website: The new website is open and is open for any feedback for improvements. The new sections and certain highlights were introduced, including a Parent's Link page and a Social Media page and what the board uses the social media sites for. Will have a feedback website meeting before the end of June for the school sites. Thank you to Marie Teskey and Melodie Spencer for their help with new website.

9. Supporting Mental Health at BHNCDSB

Dianne Wdowczyk/April Taylor:

Reviewed PowerPoint:

- CYW work shown in Tier 1 and Tier 2 (Tier 2 requires consent)
- Social Work shown in Tier 3.
- Community Professionals shown in Tier 4.

10. BHNCDSB Summer Programs

Terre Slaght/Amy Pimentel:

- 4 key programs see flyer sent in email and copy from SEAC minutes

Marcia DeDominicis:

Camp Blast:

- Faith Based literacy camp For Grade 1 and 2 students.
- Offers reading achievement, writing help and prevents learning loss over the summer.



11. Closing Remark/Adjournment

Superintendent Wilson thanked all members, guests, and presenters for their support in supporting our children. Melodie Spencer was thanked as she will not be able to return next year. The meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.