



REGIONAL CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, February 03, 2025 – 6:30pm

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present: Humberto Cacilhas (Principal Lead), Carol Luciani (Trustee), John Della Fortuna (Superintendent of Education), Dianne Wdowczyk-Meade (Mental Health Lead), April Taylor (Safe, Inclusive and Equitable Schools Lead), Kevin Greco (Superintendent of Education), Dakota Brush (Brantford Police Constable and School Resource Officer), Rachel Abaza (BCHU), Heidi Willekes (BCHU)

Minute Taker: Vanessa Heath

1. Opening Prayer

Trustee, Carol Luciani opened with a Jubilee prayer.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Humberto Cacilhas provided a land acknowledgement.

3. Welcome and Opening Comments

Superintendent of Education, John Della Fortuna welcomed all parents and Student Achievement Members.

4. Approval of Agenda – February 03, 2025

Approved by: Humberto Cacilhas

Seconded by: John Della Fortuna

THAT the RCPIIC approves the agenda of the February 3, 2025, meeting.

Carried

5. Declaration of Interest - NIL

6. Approval of the Minutes – October 21, 2024

Approved by: John Della Fortuna

Seconded by: Humberto Cacilhas

THAT the Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee approves the minutes of the October 21, 2024, meeting.

Carried



7. Introduction

Principal Lead, Humberto Cacilhas, introduced Superintendent of Education, Kevin Greco, who presented on 'Vaping – Board Code of Conduct,' and Brantford Police Constable & School Resource Officer, Dakota Brush, who discussed 'Vaping - The Legal Aspect'

8. Vaping – Board Code of Conduct

Superintendent of Education, Kevin Greco, provided an overview of the Board Code of Conduct specific to vaping and its impacts at the school level.

9. Vaping - The Legal Aspect

Brantford Police Constable & School Resource Officer, Dakota Brush, reviewed a presentation that shared with parents and caregivers the impacts of vaping and the legal implications.

10. Introduction

Safe, Inclusive, and Equitable Schools Lead, April Taylor, introduced the subsequent speakers, Rachel Abaza and Heidi Willekes from the Brant County Health Unit (BCHU), who presented on the health implications.

11. Vaping – The Health Effects, Supports, and Strategies for Families

Rachel Abaza and Heidi Willekes from the Brant County Health Unit (BCHU) delivered an informative presentation on the health implications of vaping and strategies to support children and loved ones in navigating vaping-related addictions.

12. Closing Remarks/Adjournment

Principal Lead, Humberto Cacilhas and Superintendent of Education, John Della Fortuna, thanked all attendees, members, guests, and presenters for their support in participating in the RCPIC session.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Next meeting date, time, location: Monday April 14, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.- Via Microsoft TEAM's (Virtual Link to be sent out)