



# Dufferin Peel Regional OAPCE Council

## Meeting Minutes

### December 1, 2021



#### [Meeting slides](#)

Zoom waiting room opened at 6:45pm. Meeting commenced at 7:05pm.

#### **Welcome**

M. Kutin-Morais opened the meeting welcomed parents reminded us we have been given a gift of Catholic Education

#### **Land Acknowledgement**

Acknowledgement led by K. Dancy

#### **Commissioning of OAPCE representatives in Dufferin Peel Page**

A virtual commissioning for OAPCE representatives in Dufferin-Peel. (ref page 5)

As a gift we have received OAPCE journal notebooks (one per rep). Parents invited to send their address in using the link and the journal will be mailed to them. \*We will not share the addresses with anyone else.

E-mail to all parents on our regional council list will be mailed in the coming days as well.

#### **Opening Prayer**

J. Millson lead commissioning prayer.

#### **Agenda**

##### [December 2021 Agenda](#)

Revised to reschedule regional council bylaws updates to next meeting

Motioned for approval by A. Guiang. Seconded by M. Licata.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

##### [October 2021 Meeting Minutes](#)

Motioned by M. Licata. Seconded by A. Guiang.

#### **OAPCE Director Report**

J. Millson and M. Kutin Morais shared.

[OAPCE Webinar "Rebuilding our Resiliency as Parents"](#) . Nov 20 10:00am-1:00pm. Attendance >120.

If on Twitter search for #oapcestrong #parents4parents.

Recording is not available for Paul Davis/Sara Westbrook session, but the rest will be posted

[www.oapce.org](http://www.oapce.org) – please promote

Those that attended check your email for event survey to receive resources from the event

Coming soon – Connecting Movies to Faith – Christmas Edition – will be emailed out and shared on social media when available

#### **Resources**

[Sarah Westbrook & Paul Davis podcast https://www.facebook.com/sarawestbrookfanpage](https://www.facebook.com/sarawestbrookfanpage)

<https://www.facebook.com/pauldavistips> <https://www.facebook.com/MTClife>



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#### Parent Share

For home

- Before bed share something you are thankful for, or laughed about during the day; share Good, Bad or Funny
- Be an anchor for your children
- Write ideas for big & small activities/events to do as a family on ping pong balls & randomly pick them out
- Reminder that perception plays a big role, and sometimes (as demonstrated in the past) individuals are swayed by popular opinion away from correct facts
- [The Giving Manger](#)

School

- Santa Storytime on Zoom
- Drive through visit & (distanced) photo with Santa

Invitation for volunteers to help with meeting engagement ideas!

#### Treasurer's Report

Presented by K. Dancy.

Reviewed outgoing expenses and upcoming expenses to be cashed for the parent engagement events. Rebate was received June 2021 \$3171.00 – Regional rebate is a % of the funds that come back to the regional council from OAPCE provincial for parent engagement.

Current balance is \$3215.84 in the bank account.

Motioned to approve by M. Licata. Seconded by A. Guiang.

#### Regional council Election

OAPCE Director: Jennifer Millson – acclaimed

- 2- year commitment. 2-8 hours a week
- Attend 4 OAPCE BOD meetings/year & AGM, monthly CCSAC meetings (in coordinator with other director), facilitate CCSAC New to Role training
- Liase between OAPCE and regional council to support publicly funded Catholic Education Combined with Regional Co-Chair
  - Co-Chair regional meetings
  - Respond to emails; review communications; update website

*2 Directors for the council (who also co-chair regional council). Directors alternate election terms.*

*Note: Jennifer's daughter is in Grade 11, if there is any interest learning more about the position for future years please let us know.*

Communications Secretary: Mary Licata – acclaimed

- Responding to e-mails
- Filing and maintaining records
- Assist with year-end reports

*Note: Mary's in her last year of volunteering with OAPCE*



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Treasurer: Karen Dancy – acclaimed

- Managing monthly updates, bi-annual reports for OAPCE, maintain accurate records & reports

Advisory Director: Chuck Farmer – acclaimed

*Was regional director for 4 years & regional OAPCE chair for 2 years*

- Supports council as required, maintains consistency & provides institutional knowledge

Core team volunteer (non-election role): Jane R

Vice Chair: VACANT

- Chair meetings when needed, back-up to OAPCE Directors
- Respond to emails, manage website & social media updates
- Proof communications

Meeting Secretary: VACANT

- Meeting event setup (in Constant Contact), monitor meeting registration & contact list
- Record & prepare minutes

Motion to defer election of Vice Chair & Meeting Secretary election to the January meeting by A. Ghora.  
Seconded by A. Guiang.

*If you are interested in a position, please know that the members all work together and assist each other.*

Motion to accept the acclaimed positions by A. Guiang. Seconded by D. Darmanin-Sturgeon

### **Kahoot! Theme “About OAPCE and the regional council”**

Anna Farmer facilitated a Kahoot to test everyone about their knowledge. Parents that attended the New to Role training (Nov 18<sup>th</sup>) might have a lead start! Top three will receive a \$10 Tim’s Horton Gift card by email. Winners were R. Stsiatskevich (St. Martin’s), T. Ryan-Guabe (St. Marcellinus), J. Rouhinen (Bishop Francis Allen)

[LINK here to slides](#)

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Dec 15, 2021, Family Zentangle Event**

Active meditation. Especially helpful for those starting meditation – helps avoid distracting thoughts

- Kits for early registrants sent
- Registration still open

THANK YOU to Anna for putting together all of the kits and sending them out!!

### **Closing Prayer**

C. Farmer led the closing prayer



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**Meeting adjournment**

A. Farmer motioned to close the meeting. Seconded by K. Dancy.

*Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.*

*Meeting recording ended.*

**Community**

Some members chose to stay to further connect and engage in discussion.

Meetings will continue tentatively the last Wednesday of each month.



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## Opening Meeting Prayer

Lord Jesus, you have called us to lead, you have called us to serve, bless these parents on their most notable journey.

Almighty God we ask that you bless these parents and guardians as OAPCE Representatives for their school parent councils.

Give them courage, wisdom, love and strength to live in the light of the Gospel in their faith community. Empower them to become a clear and truthful voice for Catholic parents. Advocating for Catholic Education for the sake of all children.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen



When Catholic School Councils, parents, faculty, staff, administration and trustees work as one towards educating the mind, heart, soul and body, we produce students who are well equipped to deal with the challenges that confront them now and into the future.

~ John B Kostoff

OCSOA Executive Director

