

OCSTA 2011 AGM & Conference

Thursday, April 28, 2011

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Time/Room	Event
5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Canadian Room Foyer	Registration
7:00 p.m. Canadian Room	Opening Liturgy <i>Presider: Ms. Loriann Pacenti, System Chaplaincy Leader and Faith Animator Halton Catholic District School Board</i> <i>Music: St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Elementary School Choir</i>
7:20 p.m. Canadian Room	Opening Remarks, Special Acknowledgements <i>Colleen Landers, Chair, Conference Committee</i> <i>Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association</i>
7:30 p.m. Canadian Room	Ontario Minister of Education <i>The Honourable Leona Dombrowsky</i>
8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Canadian Room	Meet & Greet <i>(One complimentary drink ticket per delegate is included in your registration envelope)</i> <i>- Visit Sponsor Booths</i>

Friday, April 29, 2011

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Time/Room	Event
7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Canadian Room Foyer	Registration
7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. York's Kitchen	Buffet Breakfast <i>(Delegates only) - Visit Sponsor Booths</i>
8:45 a.m. Canadian Room	Morning Praise <i>Presider: Father Patrick Fitzpatrick, Chaplain</i> <i>Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association</i>
	Opening Remarks <i>Colleen Landers, Chair, Conference Committee</i> <i>Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association</i>
9:00 a.m. Canadian Room	President's Address <i>Nancy Kirby, President</i> <i>Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association</i>

9:30 a.m.
Canadian Room

Nominations Report and Introduction of Candidates

*Marino Gazzola, Nominations Chair and Vice President
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association*

9:45 a.m.
Ontario Room

Break - Visit Sponsor Booths

10:00 a.m.
Nova Scotia Room

Student Trustee Workshop

The Implications of the Lord's Prayer for Daily Life

Dr. Josephine Lombardi will lead the group through the deeper meaning of the Lord's Prayer. She will explore the implications of each petition for youth, discussing ways to witness to this great prayer in the school and as young leaders in our Catholic communities. The Lord's Prayer is relevant in all times and places and among all age groups. The living out of this prayer gives peace to our lives. Dr. Lombardi will be speaking from her book "On Earth as it is in Heaven" which will be provided to all participants.

*Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Associate Professor, Systematic and Pastoral Theology
St. Augustine's Seminary*

10:00 a.m.
Canadian Room

Presentation of Financial Report

*Paul Landry, Director
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association*

10:15 a.m.
Canadian Room

Resolutions Session

*Chaired by: Paul C. Whitehead, Senior Policy Advisor, Finance
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association*

11:05 a.m.
Canadian Room

Celebrating the Spirit

*Marc Kielburger, Co-founder, Free the Children and Me to We, Order of Canada
Recipient and Author of The World Needs Your Kid: Raising Children who Care and Contribute*

12:00 p.m.
Prince Edward Island Room

Elections

12:00 p.m.
Canadian Room

Buffet Lunch (Delegates only) - Visit Sponsor Booths

1:15 p.m.
Canadian Room

Equity and Inclusive Education Policy Implementation: Religious Accommodation

This workshop will focus on the best practices which have been adopted to support reasonable accommodation for students' and staffs' religious beliefs and practices, while also protecting the board's denominational rights.

*The Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, D.D., Diocese of St. Catharines and
Chair, Education Commission, Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario*

*Paul Picard, Director of Education
Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board*

*Michael Way Skinner, Coordinator: Religion, Family Life and Equity
York Catholic District School Board*

2:30 p.m.
Ontario Room

Break - Visit Sponsor Booths

2:45 p.m.

Regional Meetings (See hotel map in your kit to find directions to rooms)

<i>Central</i> Alberta Room	Dufferin-Peel (7), Halton (11), Hamilton-Wentworth (11), Niagara (11), Toronto (6), York (8)
<i>Northeast</i> Confederation 3 Room	Huron-Superior (1), Nipissing-Parry Sound (1), Northeastern (1), Sudbury (1)
<i>West</i> Manitoba Room	Brant Haldimand Norfolk (4), Bruce-Grey (4), Huron-Perth (4), London (5), St. Clair (5), Waterloo (4), Wellington (4), Windsor/Essex (5)
<i>East</i> Quebec Room	Algonquin & Lakeshore (10), Durham (9), Eastern Ontario (10), Ottawa (12), Peterborough Victoria Northumberland & Clarington (9), Renfrew (10), Simcoe Muskoka (9)
<i>Northwest</i> British Columbia Room	Kenora (2), Northwest (2), Superior North (2), Thunder Bay (2)

4:00 p.m.

Canadian Room

Report of the Returning Officer

Don Drone, Director of Education

Wellington Catholic District School Board

4:15 p.m.

Canadian Room

Resolutions – Continued (If necessary)

Adjournment

Please see your delegate packages for ideas on dining options within walking distance of the Fairmont Royal York Hotel

Saturday, April 30, 2011

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Time/Room

Event

7:30 a.m.

Ballroom Foyer

Registration

7:30 a.m.

York's Kitchen

Buffet Breakfast (Delegates only) - Visit Sponsor Booths

8:45 a.m.

Ballroom

Morning Praise

*President: Ms.Loriann Pacenti, System Chaplaincy Leader & Faith Animator
Halton Catholic District School Board*

9:00 a.m.
Ballroom

The Catholic School Board as Policy Maker

Take policy making from theory to practice with tips and strategies that can provide immediate impact at your board table. The theory of policy making and its role within a good governance system will be reviewed and an interactive working session will allow participants to practice tips and strategies for developing strong policies that set direction and ensure measurable results.

*Judy Nairn, Consultant and former Chair of the
Waterloo Catholic District School Board*

10:00 a.m.
Ontario Room

Break - Visit Sponsor Booths

10:15 a.m.
Alberta Room

Concurrent Workshops (See hotel map in your kit to find directions to rooms)

Focus on Faith: An answer to the call to build strong Catholic Learning Communities

The Halton Catholic District school board has developed a system-wide Focus on Faith Initiative in support of the call to build strong Catholic learning communities. The intention with this initiative is to provide an element of system coordination and support to many school based activities, ensuring a greater level of consistency and support, while also enhancing the profile and importance of faith-based initiatives within our schools. The Focus on Faith initiative is framed within the board's three year theological theme: "Hear the Word of the Lord, Learn to do Good, Seek Justice" (Isa. 1:17). The Halton board uses the Focus on Faith theme to ensure infusion of faith in every aspect of board content and processes. Through this initiative the board ????? provide faith formation opportunities for staff and students both at the school level and through system opportunities. As well, there are a number of initiatives that strengthen the board's home, school, and parish partnership. Finally, the Halton CDSB continues to create and provide supports for its faith-based curriculum through Catholic curriculum maps. This workshop will provide participants with information on the Halton board's focus on faith Initiative as it applies to adult faith formation, student faith formation, home-school-parish connections and Catholic curriculum supports.

*Loriann Pacenti, System Chaplaincy Leader & Faith Animator
Lorrie Naar, Superintendent of Education, School Services
Katharine Stevenson, Curriculum Consultant Religious Education and Family Life
Wendy Ramirez, Religious Education, Itinerant Teacher*

Halton Catholic District School Board

British Columbia Room

Labour Relations – 2011

The session will focus on activity in the area of labour relations as it relates to the current Provincial Discussion Table (PDT), recent arbitrations and positioning for the next round of bargaining (2012). We will examine the current and future challenges as they relate to school board operations with a specific view to the manner in which collective agreements can challenge boards in their efforts to respond to Ministry of Education initiatives and support student achievement. Themes and trends in the areas of employee relations will be reviewed with a view to analyzing their potential future impact on the education enterprise.

*Mike McPhee, Coordinator, Labour Relations
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association*

Manitoba Room

e-Learning in Catholic Schools

As enrolment declines, boards may struggle to offer programs that meet the needs of all students. E-learning is a key tool that allows schools and boards to stay competitive by offering online courses to students experiencing timetabling issues or course cancellations and preventing students from leaving the system. E-learning can also support students with specialized learning needs and medical concerns. It can bolster adult education programs and allow boards to continue to offer programming to students who leave the system after Grade 8. In this session, you'll discover why e-learning makes both good sense and good cents!

*Rose Burton Spohn, Education Officer at E-Learning Ontario
Education Officer at E-Learning Ontario*

*Tom D'Amico, Superintendent of Student Success – Learning Technologies
Ottawa Catholic School Board*

Quebec Room

Ontario's Full-Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program: Insight Into the Teacher-ECE Partnership

This workshop will present a journey in collaboration and partnership between two professionals delivering the Full-Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program with the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board. Participants will have the opportunity to hear about forging a collaborative team approach to instruction, the challenges that were faced and the extraordinary stories of success along the path. Both the Teacher and the Early Childhood Educator will share anecdotes, video footage and digital images as evidence of the journey thus far and the path ahead in providing rich learning opportunities for young children that are grounded in faith and rooted in collaboration.

*Rose Wegiel, Teacher
Annetta Henderson, Early Childhood Educator
St. Matthew Catholic Elementary School
Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board*

11:15 a.m.

Concurrent Workshops - Repeated

12:15 p.m.
Ballroom Foyer

Lunch (Delegates only) - *Visit Sponsors Booths*

1:30 p.m.
Ballroom

Go Forth and Teach: Trustees and The Mandate To Evangelize

How do I know if I am doing the right things? An exploration of the spiritual foundations and their practical implications in the role of the trustee of a Catholic school system.

*Father Leonard Altilia, S.J.
Jesuits in English Canada*

2:30 p.m.
Ballroom

Grand Prize Draw Adjournment

4:30 p.m.
Ontario Room

Mass

*Presider & Homilist: The Most Reverend William McGrattan, Auxiliary Bishop
Archdiocese of Toronto*

Awards and Recognition

6:00 p.m.
Ballroom Foyer

Reception (Cash bar)

Christ the King Catholic Secondary School Jazz Band

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Salon A Room

Silent Auction

The Silent Auction benefits the Toonies for Tuition Endowment Fund, which plays an important role in helping students receive a faith-based Catholic education in provinces which do not publicly fund Catholic schools.

7:00 p.m.
Ballroom

Annual Dinner