

OAPCE Representatives in Dufferin-Peel Regional Council (DRAPCE)
March 21, 2018 DRAFT minutes

- ❖ Marianne Zoric, DRAPCE chair presided at the meeting, also in attendance OAPCE director Mariana Kutin-Morais, Executive Director Karen Magdangal, Treasurer Karen
- ❖ Regrets from OAPCE director Chuck Farmer unable to attend this evening. Twenty six (26) parents attended the meeting and (2) sent their regrets – attendance records filed.
- ❖ M. Zoric, chair, lead the meeting in the Opening prayer **7:10** pm
- ❖ March 2018 Agenda accepted and approved with no changes. February 2018 minutes approved.
- ❖ Regional council and OAPCE director reports (refer to March meeting reports for details – page 2-4 of these minutes)
- ❖ R. Cooper presented results of the Fundraising Information Share Survey. Link here for your copy OR e-mail drapce@hotmail.com
 - [Fundraising Survey Summary](#)
 - [Fundraising Survey Comments](#)
 - Discussion ensued regarding Fundscript that came up during R. Cooper Fundraising Survey Presentation. For more information click <http://www.fundscrip.com/how-it-works>.
- ❖ Meeting closed 8:33 pm – Marianne Zoric lead us in closing prayer.

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DRAPCE Chair report

Upcoming meeting dates and topics:

- March 21, 2018 – General meeting & Special Election
 - M. Licata has accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair and Role of secretary no other candidates so M. Licata is acclaimed for the roles
- April 25, 2018 – Volunteer Celebration and potluck – If attending register on-line www.drapce.com
- May 30, 2018 – Superintendent Sue Steer for Q&A – collect questions.
 - Complete the [on-line form](#) **Before May 20th, 2018**

DRAPCE – regional council “in the mailbox this month

- Reminder Ministry of Education Transportation Survey – closes March 29th and the DPCDSB would like feedback as well. Read more here
 - <https://www3.dpcdsb.org/news/news-archives/ministry-of-education-consultation-on-new-vision-for-student-transportation>
- Invite from CCCSC (Central Committee for Catholic School Councils) in DPCDSB to the annual spring marketplace. Sat April 14, 2018. Very informative morning, open to all parent council members and any parent that might be interested in topics and often a vendor’s marketplace that might give you resources for lunch caterers, fundraisers and presenters for parent and student engagement. Flyers available tonight. Register early for the sessions of your choice. Read more here <https://www3.dpcdsb.org/parents/getting-involved/cccsc/>

OAPCE director’s report

1. Memo from Archdiocese of Toronto re: Fed Gov Summer Jobs Program. If you would like more information or would like to send a letter to your MPP read more at <https://www.archtoronto.org/summerjobs>
2. Discussion Ensued re: Myblueprint - see summary of presentation at recent CCCSC meeting
 - a. Presentation – M. Biagi on MyBlueprint - Handed out Getting Started Guide for Parents - MyBlueprint is for students JK to grade 12. JK to grade 6 it is called All About Me. Grade 7 to 12 it is a student e-portfolio called the Education Planner. It is a mobile-friendly education and career/life planning resource accessed by students, parents, counsellors and teachers in thousands of schools to help students build an Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) and engage them in planning for their future. - Students can complete multiple career assessments, unlock occupation matches, plan their courses, compare post-secondary programs, build resumes, cover letters, budgets, and

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portfolios, etc. - Parents can access a parent account, link with your child, and view a live feed of their child's Education Planner activity. Access to parent monthly newsletter is available on the board website www.dpcdsb.org - The tool is private, personal, not graded and is available to students through their OEN/Ontario Education Number, which remains with the student through post-secondary. - Myblueprint.ca/dpcdsb.org User name: dpcdsb and password: is your child's OEN - Guided by and allows for all Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations - Dufferin-Peel is the only Board that includes a faith section i.e. add a prayer, reflection on sacraments, investigate faith based careers

3. Discussion ensued re: the peel regional police presentation on Child Pornography and Human Trafficking on March 1st organized by Bruno Iannicca. Some parents in the community did attend and sent in some observations, appended to end of these minutes. For more information contact Peel Police and/or the trustee.
4. Oapce meeting on Jan 19 and 20th
The Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) is pleased to announce that an election was held on January 19, 2018, and the Board of Directors has elected Annalisa Crudo-Perri as the new OAPCE President and Chair. Annalisa previously served as OAPCE's Vice President and along with serving as the President for OAPCE Toronto, Annalisa has volunteered and committed her time to the community for over 15 years. Linda Gregorio (regional Director for Waterloo), will serve as Vice President, Linda Dodson Trchala (regional Director for Durham), as the Secretary, and Chuck Farmer (regional Director for Dufferin Peel), as the Treasurer. Each of the Executive have served on the board for over 5 years and bring deep community knowledge.
5. Discussion Ensued regarding the tax receipts for donations- it was re-iterated that yes this is possible and it seems the disconnect is due to lack of knowledge and/or lack of resources. ([refer to Oct 2017 meeting reports for additional information](#))
6. Discussion Ensued regarding Kiss and Ride Safety activities at the school. It was agreed that the safety concerns vary from school to school nonetheless, top of mind.

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The following is a **summary report from a parent volunteer** that attended the presentation by Peel Regional Police on the topic of Child Pornography and Human Trafficking. It is important to be aware of these issues and be mindful of any signs that could be indicators that something is not right with your child. The Peel Regional Police will explain what and how things occur and how they can progress. If you have any questions about this presentation please contact the trustee's office. This presentation was organized by Bruno Iannicca Trustee Ward 7.

Peel Police – Presentation on Human Trafficking March 2018

- Target girls mostly between the ages of 14 to 21 but also boys too are groomed. But had a case of a 12 year old.
- 1 case child was taken by pimps but mostly children are lured by money, gifts, love, affection, belonging - 2 gangs operate in Mississauga – they tattoo the girls
- But also single pimp operations too. - 1 case the pimp and the victim were both under 18 yrs. old. - Shopping malls are the target zones- Square One, Erin Mills Town centre, Bramlea Centre. - Absolute towers are a place where they keep the girls, also close to the airport and other areas around in the city.
- They usually pull the children in by offering a relationship – they tell them “they love them” in the 1st 24 hours. - Target- single parent families, low self-esteem, poor families...
- Friends in the “game” are encourage to bring in others. - Telly- is short for Hotel parties. - The girls are drugged and given alcohol
- They know the police are looking for the girls so they are moved every 3 days. - Police are talking to High School students to raise awareness. And Also Grade 7 & 8 Students.
- The pimps make 300 000 a year on one girl – they have complete control over them. Fear for themselves, family and friends. The workshop was designed to educate parents. Look for signs- code words – “telly and game”, new presents – bag, shoes extra money. New friends that you do not know.
- Best to keep lines of communion open. Tell your children that they can always call you (24/7) if they feel scared uncomfortable with a situation and you will come and get them. You would rather have them safe and deal with punishment later