

KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MPARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

The committee met on April 3, 2017 and reports as follows.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Denise Durnan and Elizabeth Ward (Committee Co-chairpersons), Trustee Jaine Klassen Jeninga, Janet Clarkson, Danielle Magvas, Carolyn McColl, Dana Petrillo, James Rook, Annette Simpson, John Vickers and Marie Visser.

Also Present: Judy Malfara (Communication Officer – School Liasion) and Greg Kidd (Manager, Corporate Affairs).

Regrets: Eric Baker, Jennifer Jickels, and W.R. (Rusty) Hick (Director of Education)

2017 Annual Parent Conference

J. Malfara attended as part of continued planning for the fall 2017 annual parent conference. Taking place in October, 2017, this conference rotates location by region each year, and provides workshop opportunities for parents on issues of common concern in education. This year's conference will take place in the Peterborough region, and the committee continued consideration of possible keynote speakers for this year's conference.

Alternative, Adult and Continuing Education

A. Sadowski, Principal of Adult and Continuing Education, provided an in-depth overview of the numerous programs that are available to support students and adults pursue the continuation of their education.

Some of these programs include the Young Moms Program, Teen Education and Mothering Program, and Youth Emergency Shelter. A historical overview was provided on the changes that have taken place to the facilities over time, which demonstrates a true integration that best benefits the students being supported through the programs offered. A broad review of the unique and flexible nature of these programs was shared, and the many benefits they provide to board students.

The group discussed the great merit of these programs, and extended their appreciation to Principal Sadowski for attending to share this information.

Annual Trustee/School Council Dialogue

The committee briefly discussed this year's annual Trustee/School Council Dialogue. Supported by the parent involvement committee, this year's event will take place May 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., Clarington Beech Centre. Two parent members from each school are invited to the dialogue, and the committee noted the importance and value of informal

table conversations and networking between attendees and Trustees/administration at this event.

Denise Durnan and Elizabeth Ward
Co-Chairpersons