

NEWS RELEASE FROM THE CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO

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Ronald Eamer Acclaimed CDSBEO Chair, Nancy Kirby Acclaimed Vice Chair

Kemptville, ON – Mr. Ronald Eamer, Trustee for the City of Cornwall and Glengarry County, will serve an eighth consecutive term as Chair of the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario. Mr. Eamer is entering his 28th year as a Catholic School Trustee. Mr. Eamer was acclaimed to the position at the Board's Inaugural Meeting held on December 2, 2008.

Mr. Eamer stated, "It is an incredible honour to be elected to serve as Chairperson. It is a great responsibility that I humbly accept. I look forward to continuing to work with my fellow trustees and administration in helping to provide our students with the best possible, quality Catholic education that we can. I am grateful the Board has faith in me to represent them at both the local and Provincial levels."

Mr. Eamer added the Board's relationship with the Ministry of Education remains strong, and he will continue to work to help maintain that relationship.

The Board also acclaimed Mrs. Nancy Kirby, Lanark County Trustee, to the position of Vice-Chair. Mrs. Kirby told the Board, "I am very proud of the work that we do as Trustees and welcome this opportunity. I will continue to draw my inspiration from the dedication to Catholic education that is shared by our Board, administrators, teachers and all staff."

Director of Education, William Gartland stated, "Mr. Eamer and Mrs. Kirby have demonstrated their commitment to Catholic education across this province. Their dedication, which is shared by all our Trustees, is one of the central reasons for our Board's continued success."

During Mass held prior to the meeting, Bishop Paul-André Durocher, of the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall, blessed all CDSBEO Trustees – Mr. Eamer, Mrs. Kirby, Todd Lalonde, City of Cornwall and Glengarry County; Brent Laton, Grenville County; Robin Reil, Leeds County; Karen McAllister, Dundas and Stormont Counties; Sue Wilson, Prescott and Russell Counties; and Rebecca McEvoy, Catholic Student Trustee.

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The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario operates 40 elementary and 10 secondary schools across 8 counties. The CDSBEO offers excellence in Catholic education through provincial-leading programs to approximately 15,000 students.

Attached Photos:

Ronald Eamer – Board Chair, Ronald Eamer



Nancy Kirby - Vice-Chair, Nancy Kirby

