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Ronald Eamer Elected CDSBEO Chair, Nancy Kirby Re-Elected Vice Chair

Kemptville – **Mr. Ronald Eamer** will serve a sixth consecutive term as Board Chair for the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario.

The Trustee for Cornwall-Glengarry was elected to the position at the Board's Inaugural Meeting held in Kemptville on December 5, 2006. **Mr. Eamer** is entering his 26th year as a Catholic School Trustee.

After the election, **Mr. Eamer** told the Board, "It is an honour to serve as Chairperson. I eagerly anticipate working with all of our Trustees in the best interest of our students and Catholic education. I thank our Board for having faith in me to represent the Board, both at the local and Provincial levels."

Mr. Eamer added, "Our communication with the Ministry is open and frequent and we hope that with continued efforts, it will yield results. I will work as hard as I can over the next 12 months to help maintain this remarkable Board."

The Board also re-elected **Lanark County Trustee Nancy Kirby** to the position of Vice-Chair. **Mrs. Kirby** stated, "Our inaugural meeting is special because we come together to celebrate our faith. It is a time of renewal and hope. It is the best way to start the year, not just as Catholics, but also as members of the Board. I thank you for the continued opportunity to serve as Vice-Chair."

Mrs. Kirby served as chair of the Board after amalgamation in 1998. She held the position until 2002 and is entering her 13th year as a Catholic School Trustee.

Director of Education **Ann Perron** stated, "Both Mr. Eamer and Mrs. Kirby have demonstrated their commitment to the Catholic education system. That loyalty continues to be one of the central reasons that our Board is viewed so positively in the province, not only in the Catholic education system, but also in all of Ontario."

New Trustees for Stormont-Dundas **Karen McAllister** and for Cornwall-Glengarry **Todd Lalonde** were also sworn in on Tuesday.

During Mass just prior to the meeting Father Alfred Alilio blessed **Mrs. McAllister** and **Mr. Lalonde** along with all Trustees including **Sue Wilson** (Prescott-Russell), **Brent Laton** (Grenville) and **Robin Reil** (Leeds).

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