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**EASTERN ONTARIO**



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### ***CDSBEO Trustees Acclaim Trustee Ron Eamer as Chair; Nancy Kirby Elected Vice-Chair***

**Kemptonville** – Trustees of the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario acclaimed **Mr. Ron Eamer** as Chairperson at the Board's Inaugural Meeting in Kemptonville.

**Mr. Eamer, Trustee for Cornwall-Glengarry**, is entering his 25<sup>th</sup> year as a Catholic School Trustee and he has now started his fifth consecutive term as Chair.

**Mr. Eamer** said, "I'd like to thank all Trustees for allowing me to be Chairperson again this year. I often think back to those wonderful, wise people dedicated to Catholic education who have crossed my path. I look around the table and I can honestly say that my fellow Trustees in this Board share the dedication of those whom I have met along the way."

**Mr. Eamer** added, "I think we have some of the happiest and most productive schools in the country and the most dedicated staff. Because of that you can't help but feel that it's one Catholic Family, and I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your support and dedication."

Also tonight, **Nancy Kirby** was elected as Vice-Chair of the Board.

"Jesus is our centre. If we keep that in mind, together we can move mountains," said **Mrs. Kirby**. "I will certainly give my best around this table and beyond, providing representation at the provincial table as well."

**Mrs. Kirby, Trustee for Lanark**, was the first CDSBEO Chair after the Board amalgamated in 1998, held the position until 2002, and has 11 years experience as a school Trustee.

Director of Education, Ann Perron said "I am looking forward to continuing an exceptional relationship with both Mr. Eamer and Mrs. Kirby. Their dedication to Catholic education is one of the reasons our Board is at the forefront in the province."

During Mass at the Inaugural Meeting, Monsignor Len Lunney blessed Board trustees, including Stormont-Dundas Trustee Denis Sabourin, Prescott-Russell Trustee Sue Wilson, Cornwall-Glengarry Trustee Gerald Samson, Grenville Trustee Brent Laton and Leeds Trustee Robin Reil.

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