



# CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO

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## PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

**Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**Minutes**

1. **Prayer & Welcome** – Superintendent Norma McDonald
2. **Regional update from PIC members** – individual sharing
  - Thank you, Trustee Cooney, Katy Ferguson and Ellie Fuller, for sharing your positive experiences remaining connected to schools through virtual tours, schools Facebook and social media sites. Thanks also for the examples you shared of innovative lesson plans and opportunities for students illustrating our staff's creativity during a pandemic.
3. **CDSBEO Multi-year Strategic Plan Presentation** – Norma presented slide deck and asked for input.
  - Strategic Plan is available on our CDSBEO website.
4. **Planning for Dr. Jean Clinton Presentation** – Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021
  - Dr. Jean Clinton will speak for 45 minutes on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Followed by a 15-minute Question and Answer session where each PIC member has an opportunity to ask a question. Our PIC Committee will connect through Microsoft Teams and the presentation will be shared with the public through YouTube by our board's tech department.
  - Advertising will begin tomorrow, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, through school messenger to every parent. Principals will also be asked to share through their school websites and social media platforms.
  - Topics Dr. Jean Clinton will cover are Exhausted parents, resilient children, social emotional learning, building relationships during COVID.
  - Please join us on February 17<sup>th</sup> for Dr. Jean Clinton's presentation. Co-Chair Julie Marshall will introduce Dr. Clinton and Co-Chair Katy Ferguson will thank her.
5. **Next Meeting Date** – March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021
6. **Homework** 😊 – Please reach out to the schools in your region and introduce yourself. Encourage the Catholic School Councils to share information with you so you can share best practices and events with the PIC team. I am taking the liberty of sharing Julie's introduction that she did through email to her schools as it is a great template to use if you are not sure what to ask or share. Hope you don't mind Julie!

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Good morning! Let me introduce myself: my name is Julie Marshall and I am Co-Chair of the regional Parent Involvement Committee for the CDSBEO. (share any personal information you wish or not, up to you). The purpose of this email is to introduce myself, to share a little bit about CDSBEO Parent Involvement Committee and to gather some information to share with our Committee, as we plan how best to support parent involvement and parent engagement in our schools. If you are not familiar with the CDSBEO Parent Involvement Committee, it has existed for more than a decade. It is a subsidiary of the Catholic Education Coalition and was established to help support and encourage parents to become active members of the Catholic school community. There is a School Council Representative for each of the regions that the CDSBEO covers. My region is Leeds. Every year, we discuss ways to support and encourage parent involvement and engagement in our schools. We have, in the past, provided central parent information evenings and learning carousels, parent resources for our schools and guest speakers. This year, on February 17, we are proud to be virtually hosting Dr. Jean Clinton, who will talk about supporting children through a pandemic (more info to follow from your school administration). *We want to hear from you!* We are interested in your thoughts and ideas on parent involvement and parent engagement.

*Check out the link below to our CDSBEO PIC webpage, where you will find resources, links, member contact information, and meeting minutes:*

[Parent Involvement Committee | Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario - CDSBEO](#)

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