

Committee of the Whole No. 1 Meeting |
Monday, June 6, 2016

The Council for Exceptional Children Annual Awards

Awards were presented in the following categories on May 31, 2016 at Jean Vanier Catholic Elementary School. The award recipients include:

Professional Support Service Awards

Krista Srigley, Grand Erie District School Board
Christine Bibby, Grand Erie District School Board

Student Achievement Awards:

Aydin Laform, Hagersville Elementary School
Rowan McFarland, Delhi Public School
Evan Robert Havens, Hagersville Elementary School
Jesse Kotris, Cayuga Secondary School
Sara St. Pierre-Szplitgeiber, Cayuga Secondary School

Paraprofessional Awards

Agnes Gajdo, Hagersville Elementary School
Jerry Blue, Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School

Teacher of the Year Awards

Melanie Ruigrok, Thompson Creek Elementary School (Shown in picture with Sue Hysert - Behaviour Counselor and Shannon Werner – Psychometrist)
Kimberlee Murray, North Park Collegiate
Jo-Ann Duns, Hagersville Elementary School
Sandra Burnell, J.L. Mitchener Public School



Focus on Youth

Focus on Youth partners students with organizations that are helping strengthen our community. Through employment with Focus on Youth, students will gain valuable job skills, leadership training and build their resume. Students receive specific job training like level C first aid, WHMIS, and youth program development.



If you know a student who meets the qualifications, please click here: www.bit.ly/1O7uiNI

Water Conservation Project at Russell Reid School

The Russell Reid Water Conservation Project started out in the classroom where groups of students were given a choice of five different topics to explore about water. Some students made a water filter, while others created a school campaign about water usage or came up with a plan to renovate the school's water usage. From there, the smaller groups working on the renovations came together to form a larger group of ten students, five researchers and five presenters.



Students presented their findings to Board, including problems they found in the school and how much water Grand Erie uses in its schools. The students also shared recommendations to reduce water usage and make water friendly renovations for students and staff in other schools.

In honour of the school's new findings, students will be hosting the 'Water is the New Gold' Assembly on Thursday, June 16, starting at 9:15 a.m.

Retirement Dinner

Grand Erie Trustees, Senior Administration and colleagues will honour retirees at a special retirement dinner on Tuesday, June 7, 2016.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Revised 2015-16 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule: <http://bit.ly/1WCcE7w>

Haldimand East Elementary Accommodation Review Committee – Disband: <http://bit.ly/1ZseyFN>

Special Education Advisory Committee Membership: <http://bit.ly/28fWGUF>

Policies and Procedures:

The following Bylaws were recommended for approval:

- BL1 Board Composition: <http://bit.ly/1UuqWAD>
- BL6 Minutes: <http://bit.ly/1UCODK1>
- BL15 Trustee Expenses: <http://bit.ly/1kmTDFI>

The following will be shared to all appropriate stakeholders for comment to be received by November 4, 2016:

- P2 Truth and Reconciliation Commission Statements: <http://bit.ly/1U4j2kC>
- FT111 School Initiated Facility Upgrades: <http://bit.ly/1tcENpX>
- HR122 Cellular Telephones: <http://bit.ly/1U4k8MY>

Trustees received the following as information:

- Revised 2015-16 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule: <http://bit.ly/1WCcE7w>
- FT105 Playground Equipment: <http://bit.ly/213BCuX>
- SO121 Request to Attend a School Outside the Home School Area: <http://bit.ly/1t2sTOU>