MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

On May 26th I attended the Special Olympics with Trustee Andrachuk, which was a very inspirational event for our secondary special need student and their classmates. It is events such as these that re-affirm our vocation as Trustees. It is very evident that education is not about reading and writing and arithmetic but also about bringing joy into the lives of our students. Sometimes we need to step back and see joy from the eyes of our students.

On May 30th, I was invited by the "Better Budget Symposium". I along with Councillor Perks and a City of London Trustee discussed the ways to make budgeting more open and transparent for the public.

June 3rd attended the TCPVA (which is a Principal and Vice Principal Association) Appreciation and Awards Dinner at Villa Colombo.

June 4th, I was invited by Trustee Poplawski to attend a St. Cecilia meeting with staff to discuss solutions to over subscription to the school. One thing we did learn is we have to offer the same programs that the public board offers especially if we are in the same building ie St. Luigi.

June 8th to attend a meeting with the Learning Partnership Group.

During this time we also received correspondence from the Toronto Symphony Orchestra through their President Jeff Malanson looking to partner with our School Board. A future meeting is to be arranged.