



## **DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT NOVEMBER 2016**

Following are highlights for the period of October 21<sup>st</sup> to November 24, 2016

### **Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>**

- Along with Cardinal Collins, had the pleasure of meeting, and breaking bread, with many families new to the TCDSB and Canada at our Newcomer Event which was held at the CEC

### **Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

- Attended a Mass at St. Basil Secondary School in celebration of the Hispanic culture
- Delivered greetings at the PLASP annual Parent and Community meeting which was held at the International Centre in Mississauga

### **Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

- Delivered remarks at the annual TCPVA Retirement Dinner which was also attended by the Chair of the Board and other senior staff at Sala Caboto in Villa Columbo

### **Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**

- Had the pleasure of attending the Catholic Curriculum Corporation's annual Director's Dinner with the Chair of the Board at the International Plaza Hotel in Mississauga

### **Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**

- With the Chair of the Board, had the pleasure of meeting with the Secretary of State for Portugal regarding our partnership with the Portuguese community in Toronto
- Participated in a Mass at St. Mother Teresa Academy to celebrate the canonization of St. Teresa of Calcutta
- Celebrated along with Trustees and Staff at The Angel Foundation for Learning's annual fundraising gala which was held at the Riviera Parque Banquet Hall

### **Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**

- Met with the creator and director of the Italian Canadian Film Festival to discuss TCDSB involvement and to expand the partnership

## **Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Visited St. Joseph College School to participate in a Financial Literacy presentation held jointly with The Learning Partnership

## **Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- Had the pleasure of delivering opening remarks to over 100 participants, from Catholic Boards in the province, at the OCSOA Executive/Administrative Assistants Conference which was held at the Intercontinental Hotel on Bloor Street

## **Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**

- Along with Trustee Poplawski, had the pleasure of visiting Bishop Marrocco/Thomas Merton Secondary School to view the screening of the Attawapiskat Film which highlighted the wonderful interactive work of the schools soccer team
- Participated in a Ministry meeting with other Directors of Education regarding a Ontario Black Youth Action Plan initiative

## **Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

- Attended an event hosted by Fr. Stan Chu Ilo in support of African Missions which was held at the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre in Mississauga

## **Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**

- Along with the Chair of the Board and Trustee Tanuan had the pleasure of attending the annual ALPHA Dinner which was held at LeParc Banquet Hall in Thornhill

## **Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Along with our Mental Health Coordinator met with a delegation comprised of Ministry staff and educators from Great Britain in a session which they called the *Winston Churchill Travelling Fellowship*
- Had the pleasure of speaking at the annual TAPCE Commissioning Ceremony which was held in the Boardroom

## **Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**

- Attended a two day Ministry of Education Fall Student Achievement Symposium which was held at the Hilton Hotel

## **Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

- Attended the second day of the Ministry of Education's Fall Student Achievement Symposium
- Along with other senior staff and Trustees had the pleasure of attending the annual Cardinal's Dinner which was held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre

### **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

- Along with Trustee Crawford and staff of the CEC had the honour of paying tribute to the men and women who fought for the freedom we enjoy today

### **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Met, at the CEC, with members of our Staff Arts community to discuss our continued support

### **Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Met with the Executive Director of the Canadian Education Foundation of Ontario (CEFO) regarding a potential collaboration to recognize the religious orders who built Catholic education in this province

### **Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**

- Participated in the Archdiocesan Zone 1 and 2 Meeting between parish priests and principals which was held at St. Paul's Basilica

### **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

- Was invited to participate in an introductory telephone meeting with the new Deputy Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Alexander Bezzina
- Had the pleasure of speaking to the staff and students who participated in the Safe Schools Bullying Awareness Symposium which was held at Bishop Marrocco/Thomas Merton Secondary School

### **Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

- Participated in the annual Board-wide Memorial Mass for staff and students that have passed away

### **Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

- Attended the Fall ECCODE Meeting (English Catholic Council of Directors of Education) which was held at the Intercontinental Hotel on Bloor Street