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WELLINGTON OECTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY May 18 4:30 p.m. OECTA OFFICE

5420 HWY #6 NORTH ST IGNATIUS JESUIT CENTRE

All OECTA members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

AGENDA

Election of Councillors (1 position possible)
Budget Review
Allowances 2016-17
Committee Reports
Introduction of New Executive 2016-2017
Motions (none this year)

WELLINGTON OECTA ELECTION FORMAT

OUR ELECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED USING E-VOTING. THE ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT SECONDARY WILL TAKE PLACE ON MAY 11 AND 12:

THURS APRIL 21 WW ELECTION ISSUE

VICE-PRESIDENT ELEMENTARY, PETER STOOP SECRETARY, SHEILA HYNES AND FOUR COUNCILLORS WERE ACCLAIMED:

ROBERTA CASAGRANDE DAVID DEL DUCA KEVIN REID LAURENCE VIGNOLA

MAY 18 UNIT AGM ONE COUNCILLOR ELECTION IS POSSIBLE DEPENDING ON DROP DOWN

WELLINGTON E-VOTING

Once again our Unit elections for Vice-President Secondary will be held using your personal emails. We have an extensive database for our Teachers but it also is in a continual state of change as you move or switch providers. We will have a survey e-vote in the

next week to better prepare everyone for the e-vote. You will be given notice through the OECTA Conference on First Class, your Reps and on our other various media modes.

If you don't see a survey email on April 30 please contact the

office as we update our database. The Office will turn the e -voting system over to our Election Chair and the Committee for implementation for the vote. If you have questions please email Amberlea Daigneau.

CANDIDATE PROFILE: V P Secondary

David Derewianko

Current Teaching Assignment

Science St. James Catholic High School

Past Teaching Assignment

8 years Secondary at St. James CHS

11 years Elementary at Mary Phelan

OECTA and Other Relevant Experience

VP Secondary 2013-present

Council of Presidents Secondary Rep Wellington 2013- present

OECTA Leadership Courses Foundations and Specialized (grievance officer and conflict management)

Grievance Officer 2013-present

Local Bargaining Committee 2014-2015

Local Bargaining Teams 2013 and 2015

Chair local Secondary Committee 2013-present

OECTA rep for St. James

OECTA rep for Mary Phelan

OECTA By-law/Legislation Committee

OECTA Provincial AGM voting delegate 2013-2016

19 years of teaching experience

Brief Statement outlining Goal/Reason for Seeking Position

As a teacher who has experience in both the secondary and elementary panels, I am aware of the needs of all teachers within our board. I am determined to continue advocating for our contractual rights as Catholic teachers.

As we face new challenges and demands within the profession, I look forward to providing the voice that will enable positive relationships between OECTA, its members, and the Board.

My focus will be to uphold these relationships and to ensure the well-being of teachers.

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CANDIDATE PROFILE: V P Secondary

Yvonne Runstedler

Current Teaching Assignment and Educational Background

Department Head: Theology and Family Studies Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic High School

Master of Arts in Theology, Spiritual Care and Psychotherapy

Wilfrid Laurier University, degree to be conferred June 17th, 2016 OECTA Provincial Doreen Brady Memorial Scholarship Winner, 2016

Past Teaching Experience:

2007-Present Teacher: Our Lady of Lourdes CHS- English, Theology, Equity

Studies, Leadership, World Religions

2006-2007 Teacher: Bishop MacDonell CHS- English, French, Theology 2004-2006 Teacher: Huamei-Bond International School, Guangzhou, China

English and English as a Second Language Teacher

OECTA and Other Relevant Experience

2014-Present OECTA Religious Education Course Director-Wellington

2014-Present Member of Catholicity Committee 2014-Present OECTA Women's Committee

2010-Present Member of OECTA Faith in Community Committee

-Responsible for the co-creation and facilitation of events such as Merry Advent, Sacred Footsteps and a variety of retreats

2010-Present Guest Lecturer on Social Justice, Meditation, Theology and/or

Yoga in a variety of venues (Fergus, Elora, KW, Guelph)

2009-Present OLOL Mission Trip Teacher Coordinator- El Salvador,

Guatemala, Nicaragua

2007-Present Teacher Advisor: Social Justice Club at OLOL OECTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) Delegate

2014-2016 NTIP Mentor Teacher 2008-2009 OECTA Staff Rep – OLOL

Brief Statement Outlining Goals/Reasons for Seeking Position

I believe that unions are an integral part of a functioning middle class and essential for the continuation of a vibrant society. As a proud OECTA member, I enjoy many opportunities and benefits such as additional health care, protection through collective bargaining and conference attendance to name a few.

These rights are afforded to me as a result of the dedicated work of those who have lobbied before me. I would like to make my contribution and give back to this organization.

It would be my humble privilege to represent you as Secondary VP, one that I would honour through hard work, dedication, support and positivity.

UNIT DROP DOWN PROCEDURE

The bylaws allow for a candidate for one of the 'titled positions' Pres, VPs, Secretary or Treasurer to drop down to run for a position as Councillor. Since all positions except VP Secondary were acclaimed there is only one drop down candidate possible. The unsuccessful candidate can decide to drop down to the councillor position on Friday May 13. There were only four candidates for Councillor for five positions. All four are automatically acclaimed. The one remaining vacant position may be automatically filled by the candidate if they choose to drop down. If there is no drop down the remaining Councillor position will be nominated and elected from the floor of the Unit Annual General Meeting on Wednesday May 18 at 4:30 at the OECTA Office.

VICE PRESIDENT ELEMENTARY ACCLAIMED

Congratulations to Peter Stoop who will be acclaimed as Vice President Elementary for the 2016-2018 term. Peter, who is finishing his first two year term, works 50% at Holy Trinity Catholic Elementary School. Previously Peter worked at St. Johns Elementary school and Our Lady Of Lourdes High School.

Peter is our current Chief Negotiator in addition to numerous committee duties. The two VP's elected this year will have two year terms with their elections in opposite years

UNIT SECRETARY ACCLAIMED

Congratulations to Sheila Hynes who has been acclaimed to the Executive for 2016-17 to the position of Secretary. This will be the start of Sheila's fourth year in this position and she has been co-chair for Collective Bargaining among her many contributions.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FOUR COUNCILLORS

The following members have been acclaimed to the Executive for 2016-17 as Councillors.: Congratulations to:

Roberta Casagrande St. Ignatius

David Del Duca

Kevin Reid

Laurence Vignola

Bishop MacDonell

Our Lady Of Lourdes

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All members will receive an email shortly for a survey which will help the Unit test the system and database of emails to ensure you are able to vote in next month's election.

Wellington OECTA "In Appreciation Banquet"

HONOUR ISTHEIR DUE

2015-2016
Annual In Appreciation Banquet
Thursday May 26th
Italian Canadian Club
Reception 5:30
Dinner 6:15

Menu

ICC House Salad - Shrimp - Panini
Risotto with Mushrooms
Inside Out Chicken Parm - Potatoes - Vegetables
Chocolate Mousse
Wine - Coffee/Tea

Tickets 30\$

Available from your OECTA Rep or

Call the OECTA Office

Please join your colleagues as we honour our Retirees and our Quarter Century Club OECTA members. All second year contract teachers are also invited to attend as guests.

Our Retirees (so far) list and our 25 Year Quarter Century Club OECTA members will be announced in May's Wellington Works.