



OCASC Jan. 20, 2022 DRAFT Meeting Notes

Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Approval of agenda and [Minutes from Dec 9, 2021](#)
3. Guest Speakers: The two doctors who presented at last Committee of the Whole have agreed to speak to OCASC about their concerns about COVID measures and mask use.
 - a. Dr. Jennifer McDonald <https://twitter.com/jenniferkshea?s=11>
 - b. Nili Kaplan-Myrth MD PhD <https://twitter.com/nilikm?s=11>
4. Information items / Updates from committees
 - a. Committee of the Whole (COW)
 - b. Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)
 - c. Special Advisory Committee (SEAC)
 - d. Arts Advisory Committee (AAC)
5. Discussion and new business items
 - a. Membership Chair opportunity
6. Breakout rooms / roundtable
 - a. Fundraising in new reality (Suggested Dec. 9th meeting)
 - b. Destreaming – How is it impacting your school? (Suggested Dec. 9th meeting)
7. Adjournment

ATTENDANCE

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Agincourt rd PS (Amy Herbert)
 Andy Kaplan-Myrth
 AY Jackson (christine lindsay)
 Bridlewood (Karen McIntyre)
 Bridlewood PS (Beverly Clarkson-Mughal)
 Broadview PS (Meaghan Cunningham)
 Canterbury HS (Donna Bueckert)
 Canterbury HS (Geoffrey Steed)
 Canterbury HS (Joel Martin)
 Canterbury HS (Marlisa Tiedemann)
 Canterbury HS (Susan Blackmer)
 Castlefrank ES (Crystal Blais)
 Chapman Mills PS - Arun Rama
 Chapman Mills PS (Mourad Graidia)
 Earl of March (Thomas Holloway)
 Elena Chernikova
 Elgin PS/Ocasc co-chair (Malaka Hendela)
 Elmdale PS (Caroline Hatton)
 Emily Carr (D Manias)
 Glebe CI (Lisa Greaves)
 Glen Ogilvie (Amanda-Lyn Smith)
 Goulbourn MS (Zhong An)

GUEST - Dr Nili Kaplan-Myrth (she/her)
 GUEST 0 Jennifer McDonald
 Henry Larsen (Melody Currie)
 Katimavik PS (Ralph Quapp)
 LDHSS - (Lisa Brennan)
 Manotick PS (Erin Duffin)
 Maple Ridge (Amanda Hope)
 Mary Honeywell (Meaghan Allen)
 Merivale HS (Joanna Yi)
 Ridgemont HS (Nancy Solange Dean)
 Severn Avenue PS (Mark Warriner)
 South Carleton HS (Michelle Sabourin)
 South March (Michelle Presniak-Cruikshanks)
 South March PS, OCASC Co-Chair (Christine Moulaison)
 Stephanie Desjardins
 Stittsville PS (Martyn Reid)
 Stonecrest ES (Liliane Benoît)
 Suzanne Seaman
 T. Porter (Tess Porter)
 Vimy Ridge PS (A. Intiaz Rahim)
 West Carleton Secondary School (Zhiqiao Rees)
 Woodroffe PS & PIC - Annette Dillon



MEETING NOTES

Motion to approve agenda by Rockcliffe Park Hart S and seconded by Katimivik Ralph Q. Carried.

Motion to approve the minutes. Carried.

TO BRING BACK TO COUNCILS FOR INPUT:

- **Parent Reaching Out Grant:** Ministry will be providing \$78 828 to OCDSB for 2021-2022's PRO Grant. At Jan 19th PIC meeting it was voted that OCDSB will use these funds for a speaker series similar to last year. More information to come in the coming weeks. <https://pub-ocdsb.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=11938>
 - Annette @ annettedillon@sympatico.ca. and subcommittee will be putting forward suggestions for improvements from last year.
 - If there are any questions/concerns/comments regarding these funds, please contact Superintendent Duah, PIC, your Trustees and OCDSB staff, such as your school's Superintendent. Feel free to include communications@ocasc.ca in any communications.
- **Arts Advisory**
 - CFO Carson will be at our next meeting to share budget information on the Art.
 - **Arts Representative – Arts Rep on councils** - councils are invited to appoint a parent to represent arts on their council. The Arts Advisory Committee will provide supports and information to assist parents in this role. Contact artsadvisoryocdsb@gmail.com
- OCASC Membership form completed to become a rep member. FREE 2021-2022 Membership FORM <https://forms.gle/8SNdTcRA9TMxyJYG8>

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

Nili Kaplan-Myrth MD PhD <https://twitter.com/nilikm?s=11>



Shared her expertise and concerns with COVID safety measures in schools. You can watch her delegation at COW Jan 11th <https://youtu.be/qadVRgrKw4M>

Dr. Jennifer McDonald <https://twitter.com/jenniferkshea?s=11>

Shared information about masks and provided demonstration on proper fit for mask. You can also view her delegation at COW Jan 11th <https://youtu.be/qadVRgrKw4M>

Email from Dr McDonald:

This was just written by some international experts - really good read on topic of respirators versus masks:

<https://theconversation.com/time-to-upgrade-from-cloth-and-surgical-masks-to-respirators-your-questions-answered-174877>

Article looking at various fabrics and how well they filter. Lead author is Lindsay Marr a big researcher in this field. For the graphs, look at the red and blue lines (inward and outward efficiency) and see how well they perform for the 0.5-1um sized particles. Most of the cloths were around 25% efficiency. My fit tested N99 respirator would have achieved 99.5% efficiency in that size range.

<https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.11.18.20233353v1.full.pdf>

Here is a table of many masks and respirators tested by Aaron Colins (an engineer and self described "mask nerd"). <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1eE2BERAvRzs28kG87ft3a27FS9-gHvdC?usp=sharing>

I also highlighted some interesting findings from his data in this twitter thread:

<https://twitter.com/jenniferkshea/status/1480404083508973569?s=21>

Finally, the cdc mask versus respirator page is actually pretty good after recent updates:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/types-of-masks.html>

INFORMATION ITEMS AND UPDATES

COW – Committee Of the Whole (Tom Holloway)

- COW Jan 11th replay <https://youtu.be/qadVRgrKw4M>
- COW Jan 18th Continuation <https://youtu.be/czvZ5nKVA0M>
- Human Rights Policy was passed

PIC - Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) OCDSB

PIC Webpage: <https://ocdsb.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=55478&pageId=167239>



- Jan. 19th meeting agenda and documents <https://pub-ocdsb.escibemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=0b4c7cb3-e628-40f0-9ed7-9c3e31c5c7b1&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English>
- Chair Diana Mills, Vice Chair Christine Moulaison elected along with new members and community members
- School Financial Statement reports
- PRO Grant Superintendent Duah presented report to approve allocation of funds and it was carried that PRO grant funds will be used for a speaker series. Annette and Christine are on newly confirmed PIC Subcommittee and will be bringing suggestions forward.
 - Unfortunately, the recommendations provided last meeting by OCASC members were not chosen nor presented formally to the committee. Though OCASC rep did mention concerns many PIC members thought that doing anything else would not be possible at this late stage and they did not want funds to go unspent.

SEAC (Special Education Advisory Committee) - Safina

- Jan 5th SEAC meeting <https://pub-ocdsb.escibemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=16bdcad3-4571-4ee0-8dd8-c9632a949949&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English>
- Next meeting Feb 5th <https://pub-ocdsb.escibemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=5cf68594-f815-4cd9-960c-9c5ac6cea862&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English>

AAC – Arts Advisory Committee

- CFO Carson was invited to Feb 7th Meeting and will help understand how arts are supported in the OCDSB budget.
- Invites all councils to appoint an ARTS REP on each council. They can represent the ARTS at their school with support of Arts Advisory Committee. Parent does not need to be an artist, musician, actor, dancer. It is great if person has passion for the arts. No other requirement except interest in required.
- Nancy Dean happy to attend any council meeting to share information artsadvisoryocdsb@gmail.com
- AAC is seeking parent and community members to join committee <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gGBUshki17vblcZENKX2bLLaSf2ZztX9mhQGrA7INCY/edit?usp=sharing>

DISCUSSION and NEW BUSINESS

- PIC alternates Michelle Presniak-Cruickshanks and Nancy Dean approved

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn 9:00 pm