

## REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES May 25, 2020

**Deb Crawford, Director of Education** 

SUBJECT: Principal/Vice Principal Placements – September 2020

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## **BACKGROUND:**

Due to unusual circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Principal and Vice Principal placements have already been shared with Trustees and announced to the system. However, I still want to bring a report to this Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, so that it forms part of the official record of Principal and Vice Principal appointments.

I would also like to note that OECTA has graciously worked with the Board during this time to allow for a Letter of Understanding regarding the delay of staffing that will take into consideration the possibility of staffing changes that may be necessary into the summer. The closure of our schools due to the pandemic has resulted in the delay of the announcement of Principals and Vice Principal placements this year. I am grateful for the patience and flexibility of all staff at this most challenging time.

The Principal and Vice Principal reassignments for September 2020 are due, in part, to the announced retirements of Brendan Deery, Adrien Gagnier, Christine Lambert and Luana Sfalcin. In addition, the closing of St. Vincent, St. Agnes and Our Lady of Fatima Catholic schools and the opening of St. Angela Merici Catholic School in Chatham have resulted in further changes. The St. Clair Catholic District School Board has greatly benefited by the wisdom and dedication of this group of retiring Principals. They will be greatly missed and remembered with fondness by our St. Clair family.

I am very pleased to make the following appointments and proud to introduce our newly appointed Principals and Vice principals to our Catholic leadership team.

- 1. Juli Faubert, Principal, Monsignor Uyen Catholic School, Chatham is appointed to Principal, St. Angela Merici Catholic School, Chatham;
- 2. Alishia Thompson is appointed to Vice Principal, St. Angela Merici Catholic School, Chatham and St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim;
- 3. Nicole Stevens, Principal, St. Vincent Catholic School, Chatham is appointed to Principal, Georges P. Vanier Catholic School, Chatham;
- 4. Americo Todino, Principal, Georges P. Vanier Catholic School, Chatham is appointed to Principal, Monsignor Uyen Catholic School, Chatham;
- 5. Courtney Mellow, Vice Principal, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim and Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School, Chatham, is appointed to Principal, Sacred Heart Catholic School, Port Lambton;

- 6. Derek Morrison, Principal, Sacred Heart Catholic School, Port Lambton is appointed to Principal, St. John Fisher Catholic School, Forest;
- 7. Carrie Webb Coene is appointed as Vice Principal at St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna and St. Matthew Catholic School, Sarnia;
- 8. Kelly VanBoxtel, Principal of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School, Chatham is appointed Principal of St. Michael Catholic School, Ridgetown;
- 9. Frank Torti, Vice Principal of St. Matthew Catholic School, Sarnia and St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna is appointed Principal of St. Peter Canisius Catholic School, Watford.
- 10. Jennifer Morrow, Principal of St. Michael Catholic School, Ridgetown is appointed Principal of Special Education.

Please join me again in congratulating these outstanding Catholic leaders on their new assignments and in wishing them much continued success for the future; and on seeking God's great blessings of good health and much joy for Brendan, Adrien, Christine and Luana as they begin their much deserved retirements!

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Principal/Vice Principal Placements – September 2020* for information.