

Ottawa Carleton Assembly of School Councils  
**OCASC**

**General Assembly Meeting  
Fisher Park Public School  
Library, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
250 Holland Avenue (at the Queensway)**

**Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 2008**

Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting End Time: 9:30 p.m.

This month:  
**OCASC's Annual General Meeting**

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# Meeting Calendar

Tuesday May 20	Children and Youth at Risk Advisory Committee <i>Trustees' Committee Room, 7:00p.m.</i>
Tuesday May 20	Budget Committee <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>
Wednesday May 21	Education Committee <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>
Monday May 26	Trades and Technology Committee <i>Trustees' Committee Room, 9:00a.m.</i>
Monday May 26	Advisory Committee on the Arts <i>Fisher Park, 7:00p.m.</i>
Monday May 26	Budget Committee <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>
Tuesday May 27	Community Council for Ethnocultural Equity (CCEE) <i>440 Albert St., 7:00p.m.</i>
Tuesday May 27	Board <i>Board Room, 8:00p.m.</i>
Wednesday May 28	Chairs Committee <i>Board Office, 7:30p.m.</i>
Wednesday May 28	Budget Committee <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>
Tuesday June 3	Human Resources Committee <i>Board Office, 7:30p.m.</i>
Wednesday June 4	Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>
Tuesday June 10	Board <i>Board Room, 8:00p.m.</i>
Monday June 16	Chairs Committee <i>Board Office, 7:30p.m.</i>
Tuesday June 17	Business Services Committee <i>Board Office, 7:30p.m.</i>
Wednesday June 18	Education Committee <i>Board Room, 7:30p.m.</i>

# OTTAWA-CARLETON ASSEMBLY OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

## Annual General Meeting and Assembly Agenda for Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup> 2008

- 7:00     20 min    Chalk-it-Up: Council to council advice/concerns/news
- 7:20     5 min        Chalk-BOARD. OCDSB Communications.
- 7:25     5 min        Joint Agenda Approval & Ratification of Minutes of  
April 17<sup>th</sup> 2008

### Annual General Meeting

- 7:30     60 min    Ratification of Minutes of May 17, 2007  
Outgoing Chair's report  
Treasurer's report  
Report of the Nominating Committee  
Outgoing Statements and Elections

### Assembly Meeting

- 8:30     30 min    New & Ongoing Business
- Motion on Alignment of Class Adjustment Timetable (page 8)
  - Motion – Stakeholder input into OCDSB Budget Process (page 12)
  - Notice of Motion – Funding for textbooks – (to be provided by Glebe CI at the meeting)
- 9:00     30 min    Committee Reports
- 9:30                    Adjournment

Next meeting of the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils:

**Tentative date: September 25<sup>th</sup> 2008**  
**Fisher Park Public School**

**Ottawa Carleton Assembly of School Councils  
Annual General Meeting  
Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2007**

**Call to order:** 7:15pm Lillian Thomsen in the Chair

**Minutes:**

Motion to accept the minutes from the 2006 Annual General Meeting.  
Moved by Jockvale, Seconded by Woodroffe HS. Carried.

**Outgoing Chair's Report – Acting Chair Ellen Dickson.**

Having only been in this chair for one month, this could potentially be the shortest outgoing chair's report in the history of OCASC. My first time in the Chair, was truly a trial by fire, and it if never gets worse than that, I think I'll be ok. (For the full speech, please go to our website at: <http://www.ocasc.ca/content/section/5/28/>)

**Treasurer's Report – Chris Ellis**

1. Motion to accept the treasurer's report with the exception that it has not yet been reviewed.

Moved by Bell HS, seconded by Le Phare. Carried.

2. Motion to accept changes to budget for upcoming year: to include an additional \$2000 for advocacy (to educate the community about public education), and a new item for administrative assist salary.

Moved by Hopewell, seconded by Adrienne Clarkson. Carried.

**Constitution – Tanya Weiner**

Article 5.2 changed. The Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer may only serve 3 consecutive terms; all other officers may remain in their positions with no maximum number of terms.

Moved by Woodroffe, seconded by Berrigan. Carried.

**Report of the nominating committee – Chris Ellis, Susan Love, Greg Davies**

Motion to accept the slate of officer as follows:

Officers:

- Chair: Ellen Dickson
- Vice Chair: John Perkin
- Communications Officer: Lillian Thomsen
- Membership Secretary: Tanya Weiner

Zone Liaison Officers :

- Zone 2 Meaghan Miron
- Zone 3 Susan Klimchuk
- Zone 4 Maria Di Rosa
- Zone 5 David Forster
- Zone 10 Kate Preston-Thomas
- Zone 12 Stephane Poulin

Moved by Woodroffe HS, Seconded by Century. Carried.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn the Annual General Meeting.

Moved by Laphare, seconded by Jockvale. Carried.

**Next AGM will Thursday May 15th, 2008**

**OTTAWA CARLETON ASSEMBLY OF SCHOOL COUNCILS**

**Meeting of Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Time: 7:00 p.m.**

**Place: Fisher Park PS**

**Attendance:**

Total Number of Member Schools: 87  
Member Schools in Attendance: 40  
Quorum: 29

A. Lorne Cassidy – Sandie Henson

Alta Vista PS – Lillian Thomsen

Bell HS- Juliet Hamilton

Broadview – Janice Van Baaren

Devonshire Com PS – Nicholas

Olmstead

Fallingbrook Com ES – Irene Lupin

Forest Valley ES – Susan Love

Glebe CI – Nina Stipich

Glen Ogilvie – Trina Whitehurst

Henry Munro – Francis Leblanc

J.H. Putman PS – Lillian Dinelle

John McCrae – Heather Fawcett

Lisgar CI – Kate Preston Thomas

Merivale HS – Anne Teutsch

North Gower/Marlborough – Sue

Carswell

Rideau Valley MS – Sue Carswell

Rockcliffe Park – Karen Strutynski

South Carleton HS – Sue Carswell

Stittsville PS – Rhonda Drakes-Blais

Trillium ES – Justine Walker

Adrienne Clarkson – Carrie Eaton

Barrhaven PS – Ellen Dickson

Briargreen PS – Susan Vanden Heuvel

Canterbury HS – Robert Weist

Elmdale – Robert Frater

Farley Mowat – Carrie Eaton

Glashan – Greg Davis

Glen Cairn – Mike Hickey

Greenbank MS – Paula Shaver

Hopewell – Beth Doubt

Jockvale ES – Tanya Weiner

Knoxdale PS – Paula Shaver

Mary Honeywel – John Tucker

Mutchmor – Gisele Durocher

Queen Elizabeth PS – Bruce Warnock

Roberta Bondar – Beck Dupont

Sir Winston Churchill – Anne Teutsch

Stephen Leacock – Nadine Clarke

Summit Alt – Barbara Camden

Woodroffe ES – Maria Di Rosa

**OTHER PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE FROM MEMBER SCHOOL**

**COUNCILS:** Dee Whitmore (AL Cassidy), John Perkin (Bell HS), Liz Melanson (Lisgar), Terena Bennett (Elmdale), Parameswari Bhagi (Lisgar),

**GUESTS:** Lynda Hall (Canadian Organic Growers), Janet Edwards Centretown CHC, Aileen Leo – CSPI, Elda Allen – Somerset West Health Centre, Bill Jeffery – Centre for Science in the Public Interest, Emelka Ndukwe, CCEE Coordinating Committee, Doug Lloyd (Trustee), John Shea (Trustee)

**NON-MEMBER COUNCILS:** (none)

**Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils**  
Meeting of Thursday April 17, 2008

Call to Order: 7:05, Ellen Dickson, chair.

**Chalk It Up**

1. **Grade 9 and 10 Science and Math textbooks** (Glebe). Where will the money for new textbooks for new curriculum come from?  
Contact: nina.stipich@chrsf.ca
2. **School Anaphylaxis Policy** (Hopewell). Does your school have a policy regarding anaphylactic allergies? If so, has your school anaphylaxis policy ever been discussed or reviewed at a school council meeting?  
Contact: seac@ocasc.ca
3. **1 Day Conference on Bullying Prevention** (Hopewell). This conference takes place on Friday May 2. The cost is \$50 charge.  
Contact: dmouaga@unitedwayottawa.ca
4. **Alex Getty's motion coming forward April 22 to rescind a 2001 motion that has trustees voting on special education programme and boundary changes** (SEAC Rep.) This motion is based on a staff recommendation. If it passes staff will have the final say on such changes. The wording of the motion has only first been seen today. Delegations must be booked by today.  
Contact: seac@ocasc.ca

Discussion: Would like to bring it forward as an agenda item (Lisgar). It was agreed that this will be added to agenda for further discussion.

5. **Are children being asked to find other schools to go to because resources are not available in their own school?** (Elmdale) Please e-mail with information or questions.  
Contact: terrena.bennett@rogers.com

Discussion: Principal doesn't have a right to tell student to leave (Beth Doubt, SEAC rep.). They are not being told they must leave, but that they would benefit more at another school, because of lack

of resources (Elmdale). A school council could bring a motion to OCASC if they want OCASC to follow up.

6. **Looking for suggestions for cleaning children's hands** (Forest Valley). School has been using wipes so far, but it has a lot of waste and goes through a lot in a year!  
Contact: susanlynnelove@gmail.com

Discussion: Suggestions included bringing face cloths from home, among other things.

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### **Agenda Approval of Agenda**

- discussion of Alex Getty's motion was added as an agenda item before the committee reports;
- Visioning update was moved to be part of committee reports;
- Correction - next OCASC meeting is May 15 (not March 20) – it is also the AGM;
- Amended agenda approved.

### **Presentation**

#### **Growing Up Organic**

**Presenters:** A panel of guests included Lynda Hall and Vanessa Riddell of Growing Up Organic, Aileen Leo and Bill Jeffery of the Centre for Science in the Public Interest, Janet Edwards of the Centretown Community Health Centre and Elda Allen of Somerset West Community Health Centre.

**Summary:** A presentation on the reasons for the need for healthy food for children overall and in school in particular was followed by a question and answer session, and an urging by panel members for OCASC to campaign within the OCDSB to pay more attention to cafeteria services contracts and food programmes.

#### **Highlights:**

- Bill 8, Ontario Healthy Food for Healthy Schools has passed the third reading in the Ontario Legislature. It will empower the Education Minister to set nutrition standards in schools. School Boards will be responsible to ensure that these standards are met.
- CSPI urges the government to develop and support a comprehensive school nutrition programme following Canada's Food Guide.
- CCHC has nutrition resources available for people. Dietician does presentations to school councils.

## Motions

### 1. Alignment of Class Adjustment Timetable (Woodroffe PS)

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Council's purpose is to seek an education of the highest quality for each child;

WHEREAS under Article II, Paragraph 1(e) of its Constitution, OCASC brings the views and concerns of its member councils to the attention of the Board, the Ministry of Education and the public generally;

WHEREAS these adjustments are disruptive to the learning environment and can result in delays and setbacks in the presentation of the required curriculum;

WHEREAS a stable learning environment is essential for all students;

WHEREAS early adjustment is a necessary prerequisite for stability and possible to implement;

THEREFORE be it resolved that:

OCASC recommends that the class adjustment period for the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board be moved to 5 school days after the first day of school for elementary schools and 5 school days after the first day of each secondary school semester.

AND

OCASC further recommends that the OCDSB take this action at the earliest possible date to ensure its implementation at the beginning of the 2008/2009 School Year.

### Introduction (Woodroffe):

- very difficult on kids when it is done at end of September;
- some boards make adjustments earlier than end of September;
- ministry said it was a board decision when to do it;
- ministry requests numbers at end of October;
- request is to do shuffles at beginning of October so that there is less stress on students.

### Discussion:

- administration says they couldn't do it in five days. Students are asking for course changes at least that long after classes start (Canterbury);
- need a date to finalize changes (Woodroffe);
- because of kids arriving late, they don't count until they actually show up at school. So those coming in late wouldn't be part of the count early in September (Adrienne Clarkson).
- doesn't seem to apply to high school in the same way – students need time to switch courses (John McCrae);
- principal can shuffle classes early if they want to (Jockvale);

- agree with other high school comments (Glebe);
- maybe 10 would be better than 5 days? (Rockcliffe Park);
- are we not supposed to be talking about number of students and number of teachers, not how many students in which class. Maybe amend motion to include only elementary schools (Bell);
- changes like that would be friendly (Woodroffe);.
- agree with limiting vote to Elementary School. 5 days is not enough. Students are coming back from summer trips late (Alta Vista);
- need to know current OCDSB policy wording to recommend change. Also support separating elementary and secondary school (Jockvale);
- if you can't do it in five days, change it to 10 days maybe (Hopewell);
- Amendment – remove high schools from the motion. Exact wording will be worked out later. Amendment passed with 26 in favour
- JK/SK – 5 days isn't enough because of staggered entry;

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Amended Motion: THEREFORE be it resolved that:  
 (a)OCASC recommends the class adjustments period for elementary schools be changed to the first 5 days after the first day of school;  
 AND

(b) OCASC further recommends that the OCDSB take this action at the earliest possible time to take effect for the 2008-2009 school year.  
 -Failed - 12 in favour; 18 opposed; 7 abstentions.

-Question – How many people would have voted in favour if the motion had been changed to 10 days instead of 5? – There was a large show of hands (not counted) responding favourably.  
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**2. Scheduling of School Events around Religious Holidays**  
 (Glashan)

WHEREAS the OCDSB is committed to respecting equally the diversity of faiths within our schools;

WHEREAS the OCDSB encourages parental involvement and participation in the education of their children;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

OCASC recommends that the policy P.O86 Religious Holy Days be revisited, specifically to include a recommendation that events involving parents (Meet the Teacher, Parent/ Teacher interviews after report cards etc.) not be scheduled on religious holidays.

- Amendment – change wording to “every possible effort” - considered friendly;
- school changes event if it falls on a religious holiday (Woodroffe);
- every religion is allowed three religious days (Hopewell);

Amended Motion: THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

OCASC recommends that the policy P.O86 Religious Holy Days be revisited, specifically to include a recommendation that every possible effort be made to not have events involving parents (Meet the Teacher, Parent/ Teacher interviews after report cards etc.) scheduled on religious holidays.

- Carried – 29 in favour; 1 opposed; 3 abstentions

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**Announcements**

**Annie Kidder Presentation, May 5, 2008**

- Annie Kidder is Head of Parents for Education and an excellent speaker;
- three free tickets per member school council;
- she is an excellent speaker;
- starts at 7pm with a half hour talk, followed by one hour of questions and refreshments;
- presentation is at Sir Robert Borden High School.

**New Business**

**1. Notice of two motions (Canterbury HS)**

- WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils is mandated to represent and communicate the views and concerns of school councils to the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board;
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- WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils, the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board, and the students they serve, to represent and communicate those views and concerns in a manner that is consistent with this mandate, and in a manner which is as transparent, as truthful and as fair as possible;
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- WHEREAS any reporting of survey results should have appropriate checks and balances to ensure representation and equity;
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- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils only report the results of its budget

survey to the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board under the following conditions:

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- o That the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils not report survey results from parents, students or any constituency other than school councils
- o That the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils report fully its methodology for surveying its members, including the following facts:
  - o that school councils were not provided with information about amounts of present funding for budget line items or with evidence about the adequacy or inadequacy of these amounts
  - o that school councils were asked only to check items for funding to be increased or decreased. They were not asked which items should be maintained at present levels, nor were they asked to provide further comment
  - o that not all budget line items are included on the survey, including items of critical importance to district programs
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-Introduction:

- regarding the OCASC budget survey results, seek better process with OCDSB for getting feedback on budget; realize that a lot of time and effort has gone into the budget survey; Canterbury discussed it but decided not to participate; urge OCSAC to reconsider reporting survey results to the board, and if they do report, to do it under certain conditions; urge the board to have a better process for stakeholder input to budget process; OCASC is representing school councils, not parents; survey is only in English – not accessible to all parents; problems with survey itself – not all budget line items are listed, e.g. arts coordinator, bussing to Canterbury, no indication of current funding levels; no place to indicate to leave a line item spending the same;

**Note from Chair:** because the organizers of the Budget Survey were planning on reporting on this by May 5<sup>th</sup>, the Assembly should vote on this tonight, because if it is pending, it would not be appropriate to make the report with this not tabled. The motion was moved on to the floor for discussion as follows:

- survey asked for comments, has line for “other” ;
- survey is to give some input, to provide information;

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- very good exercise, would not want to see anything changed (Glebe);
- very happy to be asked for input; in support of the survey (Woodroffe PS);
- isn't it up to the Board to accept the survey for what it is – less than perfect; they can use it as they see fit (Elmdale);
- good exercise, difficult to do, more input than in previous years, which was none (Merivale);
- hard copies to all school councils would be a good idea (Jockvale);
- exec will discuss results before going with results to trustees; exec will approve presentation of results in advance (Chair);
- parent doing survey on their own may not have the same depth of perspective as a school council; prefer to see just council results presented (Bell);
- already discussed at exec. Can we just agree that points are valid and we have to be careful how it is presented to trustees (Hopewell);
- will trustees see actual survey results or only a summary? (Woodroffe PS) - answer - summary only (Chair);

Motion: [Minute taker did not have a copy of the written and passed around version of the motion]

- Failed – 4 in favour, 24 against, 5 abstentions

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**Notice of Motion – Canterbury  
To be presented at May Assembly**

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils is mandated to make appropriate recommendations to the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board on behalf of its school councils on issues of general concern to its member school councils;

WHEREAS providing input to the the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board on its annual budget and its annual budget process is an issue of general concern to school councils;

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board has, on numerous occasions, sought input from its various constituencies on its annual budget;

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils considers that it has valuable information and advice that it could contribute to the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board about seeking input on these issues;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils formally offer to collaborate with the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board in designing a process to seek budget input, and in developing mechanisms and tools to provide budget input.

**Discussion: Trustee motion to rescind 2001 motion requiring Board approval of changes to Special Education System Classes**

- would there still be an opportunity for parents to make presentations? (Jockvale);
- it would still come forward as an information item; trustees can come forward with motions at any time (Chair);
- we don't yet have a good idea of what we are reverting to if this motion passes; there has not been time to clarify such issues (Hopewell);
- notice of motion was late February or early March; still regular consultation process; but no action item for trustees; if trustees are particularly concerned they can move a motion to change it (Trustee Shea);
- actual motion is still not on the books, so we don't know what it says (Lisgar);
- issue is that trustees are abdicating from the responsibilities if they pass this motion (Alta Vista);
- from discussion with Alex Getty - original intent of motion is that trustees don't know enough about some specifics of programme recommendations should be made by staff (Jockvale);

Motion from the floor from Glebe CI:

OCSAC membership requests that OCASC presents a delegation to Board urging trustees to reject the motion to rescind the Motion passed in 2001 that requires changes to locations and numbers of Special Education System Classes to receive Board approval. (Glebe)

- we can't make recommendations about how it should be done since the reasoning for rescinding the motion is not known and without this understanding we aren't in a position to make recommendations. (Stephen Leacock);

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- Chair's note:** Before this line of reasoning could be completed, the imminent loss of quorum was noted and the vote was called
- Motion carried - 21 in favour; 2 opposed; 6 abstentions

## **Committee Reports**

**SEAC** (Beth Doubt, seac@ocasc.ca)

- a report on system classes for GLP (General Learning Programme) was presented at Education Committee on Wednesday, April 16. This deals with the programme for children who have mild intellectual disability. It is expected to be discussed at SEAC next month. People may find it on the board website under the Education Committee agenda of last April 16;
- send any comments to seac@ocasc.ca

**Nomination committee** (Lillian Dinelle)

- due to lateness of the meeting, the information will put be sent out by e-mail.

**Budget** (Kate Preston-Thomas, budget@ocasc.ca)

- Passed at board – a trustee can call a recorded vote at budget committee; hopefully that means that the OCASC rep can ask trustees to call for a recorded vote at committee;

**Adjournment:** 9:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday May 15, 2008 (AGM).

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**End of Minutes from April 2008 Meeting**

## **CHALK-IT-UP**

We encourage councils to network. Members are invited to speak for up to five minutes on an issue of concern to their school council or on a matter which they would like to share with other members as a best practice or point of information or news. A blackboard will be made available for you to identify: your school, your name, e-mail address, telephone number and the topic you are addressing.

## **OCASC PACKAGE**

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**ocasc\_chair@OCASC.ca**

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## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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c/o the OCDSB

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Attention: OCASC Treasurer

## **AGENDA NOTES**

If your council would like to see an item covered with a speaker or a member discussion then please make sure to suggest this at the meeting under New Business or to any member of the Executive between meetings.

## **SPEAKING PRIVILEGES**

Speaking privileges at OCASC meetings are generally accorded to school council representatives only.

## **MOTIONS**

Councils will vary in how they interpret the importance of Assembly motions as well as the views that they hold. The Executive asks that all members try to keep trivial amendments to a minimum and to respect every council's opinion.

## **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

Details of any motion should be emailed to [ocasc\\_chair@ocasc.ca](mailto:ocasc_chair@ocasc.ca) using the Formal Motion Form (available on our website under Council Resources). OCASC will assist councils as required but motions are entirely up to councils to propose as they see fit and remain their responsibility to craft and to present.

The "Whereas" section (or preamble) of a motion is up to those putting the motion forward for consideration, represents their own reasons for doing so and is not debatable. Councils may agree or disagree with the "Therefore" section or actual resolution for completely different reasons of their own.

Motions must be received by OCASC at least 10 days prior to a meeting for inclusion in the agenda package.

Changes to the constitution / bylaws require 28 calendar days notice.

## **OCASC EXECUTIVE 2007/2008**

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Chairs' Committee	Ellen Dickson	ocasc_chair@ocasc.ca
Children and Youth at Risk Advisory Committee (CAYARAC)	Carrie Eaton; Mary Ann Jenkins (Alt.)	cayarac@ocasc.ca
Community Council on Ethnocultural Equity (CCEE)	VACANT	ccee@ocasc.ca
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Human Resources Committee	Lillian Dinelle	hr@ocasc.ca
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Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)	Beth Doubt & Joan Hill-Keast (Alt.)	seac@ocasc.ca
Technology and Trades Committee	Anne Teutsch; Dan Rambo (Alt.)	tech@ocasc.ca

## **The Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils Working Together For Excellence in Education**

The Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils (OCASC) is an umbrella organization for school councils of the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board (OCDSB). OCASC was founded in November 1997 just prior to the establishment of the OCDSB. Both predecessor Boards had a history of active Board-wide school council umbrella organizations. All OCDSB school councils are entitled to membership in OCASC. The OCDSB recognizes the important role OCASC plays in strengthening the involvement of parents and the community in schools and Board decision-making.

OCASC's purpose is to seek an education of the highest quality for each child according to his or her needs. OCASC supports the development of strong school councils and brings the views and concerns of its member councils to the attention of the Board, the Ministry of Education and the public.