



OAPCE Regional Report

Region: Simcoe Muskoka

Director: Ashley Madonna

Date: Sept- Dec. 2024

1. On September 8, 2024 Director Madonna attended a virtual OAPCE meeting to discuss some upcoming plans and items.
2. On September 23, 2024 Director Madonna attended the CPIC meeting virtually to present some OAPCE updates.
3. On October 17, 2024 Director Madonna attended the virtual Board of Directors meeting for OAPCE. Some of the plans for the year were discussed including the upcoming launch of the social media accounts.
4. On November 28, 2024 Director Madonna and the Co-Executive Directors hosted our region's very first in-person Regional Meeting. OAPCE Liaisons were commissioned and received the SuperParents Presentation from Co-Executive Director J. Perri. We were so thankful to have so many parents join us in person, and we were also able to accommodate some parents through Zoom as well, creating a hybrid meeting. We were happy to be joined by the Chair and Co-Chair of the SMCDSB Trustees. Parents in attendance received information about OAPCE and how we work. They were engaged and asked many questions about how they can engage more parents in

their schools and communities. The conversations surrounding community engagement were rich with parents sharing some very valuable ideas shared for networking with other parents.

5. Director Madonna attended the CPIC meeting on December 2, 2024 to present updates and a recap for the Regional Meeting.
6. Director Madonna responded to Simcoe Muskoka OAPCE representative and liaison emails and inquiries.
7. Director Madonna attended the OAPCE Advent Retreat - The Jubilee Year will start on Tuesday December 24th, 2024 Christmas Eve. His Most Rev. Bishop Mathieu presented the biblical sources of the Holy Year: the sabbatical Years and the Jubilee Years (Lev. 12) and the beginning of Jesus ministry (Luke 4). Bishop Mathieu discussed the purposes of a Holy Year, what is the theme of Holy Year 2025 and how we should prepare for Christmas.

Items to bring back to your CSCC:

- ★ Share November [Parents4Parents Newsletter](#)
- ★ Encourage parents to sign up for the OAPCE Distribution List.
- ★ Encourage parents to visit [OAPCE website](#)
- ★ Invite Director Madonna, SMCD SB OAPCE Regional Director to speak at your upcoming Parent Council Meeting (CSCC).

If you have any questions, please reach out! Wishing you a very Merry Christmas season!

Thank you,

Ashley Madonna OAPCE Regional Director - Simcoe Muskoka