President's Message June 15, 2020

Executive Election

Last week, Provincial Council virtually elected the Provincial Executive for the 2020-21 school year. Congratulations to those who will be representing you and a sincere thank you to everyone who stood for election.

- Ann Pace: President (York)
- Nancy Brady: Past-President (Ottawa-Carleton)
- Lisa Collins: President-Elect (Near North)
- Patsy Agard: Vice-President (Ottawa-Carleton)
- Lorne Gretsinger: Vice-President (Niagara)
- Chad Mowbray: Member-at-Large (Ontario North East)
- Irfan Toor: Member-at-Large (Simcoe)

I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks to Larry O'Malley (Halton), Dave Westaway (Thames Valley) and Chad Brownlee (Upper Canada) who served on this year's Executive.

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Committee

Thank you to everyone who put their name forward to be part of our EDI committee. The committee had its first meeting today and will continue to meet virtually until we can hold inperson meetings. The committee members are

- Nancy Brady (Ottawa-Carleton)
- Lisa Collins (Near North)
- Yonnette Dey (Peel)
- Tina Futers (Kawartha-Pine Ridge)
- Elizabeth Innes (Ontario-North East)
- Ken Mak (Ottawa-Carleton)
- Ann Pace (York)
- Michelle Rodney-Bartalos (Hamilton-Wentworth)
- Kim Tavares (Ministry secondment)
- Irfan Toor (Simcoe)
- Abe Wall (Thames Valley)
- Matthew Webbe (Toronto)

Recordings for Wellness Series Extended

The speakers (Dr. Robyn Hanley-Dafoe, Dr. Shimi Kang, Mark Henick and Drew Dudley) for the wellness series have all agreed to extend the availability of their recordings through to September 2020. These videos can be accessed through the Members' section of our website.

Media

- Teachers get creative to connect with students during lockdown
- Ways to help children heal after the pandemic
- Virus continues to impact mental health of workers
- Pediatric specialists call for relaxing of kids' distancing
- Child care operators need time and money to open
- 5 things not to do when schools re-open
- As schools resume, will physical distancing help or hurt kids?

Queen's Park

The House did not sit last week.