

RICK BRASSARD TAKES OATH OF ALLEGIANCE AS CATHOLIC TRUSTEE WITH NCDSB

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Rick Brassard as Trustee for the region of Kirkland Lake, Englehart and surrounding areas.

Brassard was appointed as Catholic trustee and took the oath of allegiance at the public Board meeting held today at the Catholic Education Centre in Timmins.

He brings to the table a thorough understanding of the values and operation of a Catholic school system, having served as a teacher and principal of several schools over a twenty-nine-year period in the district of Timiskaming. He is also actively involved both in the parish community as well as in the community at large. He has worn many hats including as chairperson of the Holy Trinity Parish Council, as chairperson of the Nipissing-Timiskaming District Health Council, as a public member of the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons as well as as mayor of the Town of Englehart from 2000 until 2003. He is currently serving as president of the Englehart Rotary Club where he has been a member since 1976.

It is with great anticipation that Brassard begins a new journey of public service with the Northeastern Catholic District School Board. "I have been truly blessed with a rewarding career in Catholic education, and I look forward to continuing this commitment through my mandate as a trustee of the Board," stated Brassard. "It is an honour to be appointed to this office, and I look forward to serving in any capacity. I assure all Catholic school supporters that I will work hard at being a contributing and effective member of the Board as we seek to deliver the best for our students."

Chair of the Board Colleen Landers welcomed Brassard to the table. "Rick begins his mandate as a trustee a step ahead of many newcomers with three decades of service in education, particularly with our Catholic system," noted Landers. "His knowledge of the complexities of education funding, curriculum, programming and school needs will be appreciated. He will bring a valuable perspective as we endeavour to make decisions in the interest of the spiritual and academic development of the students that we serve."

Brassard is succeeding Brenda Hevenor, who resigned from the position last month to join her husband who has accepted a position with the International Peace Garden in Manitoba.

For more information, please contact Mélanie Bidal-Mainville, Community Relations Officer



Trustee Rick Brassard (left) takes the oath of allegiance at the NCDSB public meeting as Chair Colleen Landers and Director Paul Toffanello look on.



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