

Memo # 31

To: OECTA Secondary Teachers

From: Michele MacDonald

Re: Technology Workshop; Beginning Teachers Conference 2018; Unit office

1. Simcoe Muskoka Catholic Teachers (Elementary and Secondary) are running FREE Summer Workshops dealing with technology Wednesday, August 29 and Thursday, August 30. There will be two sessions each day exploring the world of technology and the classroom. See attached flyer for information. **Please complete the Conference Application form and return to the Unit office not later than June 28th.** The maximum number of participants is 20 for each session (10 elementary & 10 secondary) the spots will be filled on a first come first served basis. Sign up early so as not to be disappointed.

2. The Beginning Teachers Conference will take place on Wednesday, October 17 & Thursday, October 18, 2018, commencing at 10:00 a.m. at the Toronto Airport Hilton. The Simcoe Muskoka Secondary Unit is able to sponsor 4 delegates, which includes the 1 Provincially sponsored delegate. This conference is for those in their first ten (10) years of teaching. The theme is Welcome to the Community - 75 Years Young! There will be no guest speaker, but a number of plenaries and workshops. Specific information will follow in September, but please complete the Conference Application form and submit to the Unit office - ASAP.

3. The Unit office is closed commencing July 2 until August 26 inclusive and will reopen on August 27th. If you have questions over the summer you can call the Unit office at 705-722-0084 and messages will be checked periodically. If your concern is of an urgent nature please contact Provincial office at 1-800-268-7230.

As most of you are aware I will be retiring on June 30th, the new President is Allyn Janicki and she can be reached commencing July 1 at ajanicki@oectasimcoemuskoka.on.ca or by cell phone at 705-730-3294. I wish each and everyone of you a enjoyable and safe summer break. It has been my pleasure to serve as your President and I know that moving forward you will be in good hands. Take time to spend your well deserved rest with family and friends and come back refreshed on September 4th.

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