

## Teacher Education Network Annual Committee Report

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### **Committee Members:**

- C. Steven Watson, DWM, Chair
- Gillian Vivona, TSU President, Executive Liaison
- Maureen Riggan, Loretto Abbey

### **Terms of Reference:**

- To assist the representative from TSU on the TELC committee of OTF at OISE.

### **Activities:**

The TELC (Teacher Education Liaison Committee) committee meeting monthly at OISE to discuss educational issues, the flow of information between OTF, the affiliates and the university's teacher education program at OISE.

The TELC also develop and organize the Professional Preparation Conference (one of the largest in Ontario) at OISE, (in Dec. each year). It is a two-day conference for teacher candidates, giving them an opportunity to gain information and network with the affiliates, and other organizations, and another day (in early Oct.) for OTF and Boundaries information day. TELC was involved in the discussion involved in the new 5 semester Masters program at OISE. Also involved in information regarding the ongoing and future possible strike actions with the effect to teacher candidates.

TEN, (Teacher Education Network), assisted in the acquiring of first year teachers, and, presenters to talk at the conference and assist in running the PPC. TEN was and continues to be involved in the discussion involved in the new 5 semester Masters program at OISE. Also involved in information regarding the ongoing and future possible strike actions with the effect to teacher candidates.

When OECTA, TSU chairs TELC the finances are run though TSU, however paid for by OTF, which is not the case this year.

Due to the unusual year this year, some meetings were held virtually.

### **Suggestion considered:**

Having a TC (teacher candidate) and AT (associate teacher) social to introduce them to the association.