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COUNCIL CHOOSES CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR



Liz Papadopoulos

Liz Papadopoulos has been selected by her peers to serve as Chair of the fifth Council of the Ontario College of Teachers.

"I am thrilled to have been chosen to represent our profession as the fifth Chair of the College Council. Teachers bring their heads and hearts to the noblest cause of all - helping students to realize their potential and reach their dreams," says Papadopoulos. "I am looking forward to continuing to enhance and promote the professionalism of

our members."

Papadopoulos is a Grade 8 and Special Education teacher with the Toronto DSB.

She began teaching in 1991 and has taught students from kindergarten through Grade 8. She holds specialist qualifications in English as a Second Language and in Physical and Health Education.

Papadopoulos returns to the College after a three-year hiatus. From 2000 to 2006 she was a College Council member and served as Investigation Committee Chair, Accreditation Appeal Committee Chair, Finance Committee vice-chair, Election Committee vice-chair and as an Executive Committee member.

She has been actively involved in teacher federation activities locally, provincially and nationally and was vice-president of the ETFO Toronto local for several years.

She holds a BA from York University and an MSc in Education from Niagara University. Her College registration number is 187328.

PENNY IS VICE-CHAIR



Ruth Ann Penny

Council also chose Ruth Ann Penny as their Vice-chair. Penny recently served as Director of Admissions at Branksome Hall, an independent girls' school in Toronto. She is currently teaching on an occasional basis.

This is Penny's second term on Council. She served as a member of the Standards of Practice and Education Committee and was vice-chair of the Accreditation Committee.

She began teaching in 1976 and has taught in both public and private schools across the province. She began as a kindergarten teacher and went on to teach French and middle school gifted students in English-language schools, and languages and social sciences in French Immersion schools.

She has served as an elementary vice-principal, principal and consultant, a collective bargaining representative for the FWTAO, a Ministry of Education trainer and a system-wide PD leader in the area of leadership development.

She has a BA from McMaster University, a BEd from Laurentian University and an MA from the University of Toronto. Her College registration number is 150717.

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COUNCIL APPOINTS JOE JAMIESON AS DEPUTY REGISTRAR

Council has appointed the College's Director of Investigations and Hearings, Joe Jamieson, as Deputy Registrar effective September 14, 2009.



"I am delighted to be able to support our new Registrar, Michael Salvatori, and the Council of the Ontario College of Teachers in implementing a vision of a professional regulatory body that continues to inspire public confidence in the profession," Jamieson said. "I'm really gratified at the confidence that Council members representing the whole spectrum of the profession have shown in me and I look forward to working with them in the public interest."

During his eight years at the College, Jamieson has contributed in a wide variety of leadership roles in three departments. Before serving as Director of Investigations and Hearings, he was also Director of Standards of Practice and Accreditation, Manager of Intake and Hearings and a program administrator in the both the Professional Affairs and Executive departments.

You can find more information about the [new Deputy Registrar](#) on the College web site.

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COLLEGE INTRODUCES AQ SEARCH ENGINE



If you're thinking about taking an additional qualification course to expand your subject knowledge or sharpen your classroom skills, our new search engine [Find an AQ](#) will help you find the AQ and the provider to suit your needs.

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