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WINDSOR TEACHER NEW OTF PRESIDENT

TORONTO, September 2, 2009 — The OTF Board of Governors elected Windsor teacher Reno Melatti as the 66th President of the Ontario Teachers' Federation at its Annual Meeting in Toronto in August.

A teacher for more than 37 years, Melatti has taught in both elementary and secondary panels in Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools. He has held the positions of teacher, department head and vice-principal. Melatti has also been an active member of the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) since his days as a beginning teacher. He has served on many work groups and committees both locally and provincially. He has also been an elected member of the Provincial Executive of OECTA since 2002. Melatti first joined the OTF Board of Governors in 2000.

On his election as President, Melatti reminded the Governors that their influence as teachers is profound. He also acknowledged his own teachers who "recognized my thirst for knowledge and encouraged me to be whatever I chose to be."

Also elected at the same meeting were:

Past President	George (Joe) Lamoureux, Barrie
First Vice-President	Rian McLaughlin, Hamilton
Second Vice-President	Anne Vinet-Roy, Timmins

The Ontario Teachers' Federation is the advocate for the teaching profession in Ontario and for its 160,000 teachers. OTF members are full-time, part-time and occasional teachers in all the publicly funded schools in the province—elementary, secondary, public, Catholic and francophone.

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