## Burlington Mundialization Committee United Nations subcommittee 2016 annual report

Members of the United Nations subcommittee include council appointed members of the Mundialization Committee and citizen volunteers:

- Sabrina Yott, Chair
- Miles Ross
- John Coyle
- Rory Nisan

- Thomas Conant (volunteer)
- Abigale Speare (volunteer)
- Terry Ruf (volunteer)
- Melissa Krikke (volunteer)

In 2016 the committee celebrated United Nations day on October 26<sup>th</sup> with the first annual Model United Nations 101 event hosted at Burlington Central High School. The event was designed for high school students interested in international politics.

More than 150 high school students from grades 9 through12 from Burlington and Oakville attended. The Honourable Karina Gould opened the day as the guest speaker and students participated in various workshops throughout the day. Workshops took the form of a United Nations simulation where students adopted the persona of a specific country and debated controversial issues.

In 2017/2018 the United Nations subcommittee will organize another United Nations 101 event. The subcommittee is also planning on expanding its outreach by organizing events that will spread international awareness in the community.