

The Niagara Catholic District School Board through the charisms of faith, social justice, support and leadership, nurtures an enriching Catholic learning community for all to reach their full potential and become living witnesses of Christ.

AGENDA AND MATERIAL

BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012 7:00 P.M.

FATHER KENNETH BURNS, C.S.C. BOARD ROOM CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLAND, ONTARIO



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- E. NOTICES OF MOTION
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.TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF

JUNE 12, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of June 12, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder.

2. Roll Call

Chairperson Burtnik noted that all Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau participated in the Board Meeting electronically.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	1			
Maurice Charbonneau		1		
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	1			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	1			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Student Trustees				
Ryan Creelman	1			
Patrick Morris	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro, Mario Ciccarelli, Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Mark Lefebvre, Superintendents of Education; Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; Jennifer Brailey, Manager of Corporate Services & Communications; Sherry Morena, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of June 12, 2012, as amended:

Addition of Item D1.1 - Application to Co-host the 2014 OCSTA AGM & Conference Rearrangement of Items C1 & B3 to precede Item B1

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 22, 2012

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 22, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. School Excellence Program - St. Mary Catholic Elementary School, Niagara Falls

Director Crocco provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program. Superintendent Lefebvre introduced Roger Demers, Principal of St. Mary Catholic Elementary School, Niagara Falls.

Principal Demers, with the assistance of students and staff showcased St. Mary Catholic Elementary School as part of the School Excellence Program.

Chairperson Burtnik thanked Principal Demers, the staff and students for their presentation and performance.

2. Kids Helping Kids...Celebrating 14 Years of Contributions

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, presented background information on "Kids Helping Kids...Celebrating 14 Years of Contributions".

Jim Marino, Executive Director of the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre, publicly thanked the Board for all their support over the years and related a few success stories regarding children who attended the Centre. These accomplishments and successes are made possible thanks to donations made to the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre.

Student Trustee Patrick Morris, on behalf of the Student Senate, spoke of the students support and belief in assisting students with special needs.

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau thanked Jim Marino for the contributions and commitment he has displayed over the years for the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre.

Mr. Marino was presented with a cheque in the amount of \$36,472.50 on behalf of the staff and students of the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

3. Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association Regatta 2012

Mike Sheahan, Physical Education Consultation, welcomed various Secondary School Principals who presented information on their school's accomplishments in the Annual Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association Regatta 2012 which took place in St. Catharines in June.

The coaches and students were introduced and congratulated on their commitment and dedication to the sport.

Chairperson Burtnik praised the student athletes and coaches for their accomplishments. The Chairperson with the assistance of fellow Trustees presented the student athletes with Niagara Catholic "Excellence in Athletics" pins.

4. OFSAA Medalists/All Ontario Championships

Physical Education Consultant Sheahan welcomed various Secondary School Principals who presented information on the accomplishments of both individuals and teams, who earned Gold, Silver and Bronze medal placements in OFSAA and All Ontario Championships.

The coaches and students were introduced and congratulated on their many successes and accomplishments.

Chairperson Burtnik congratulated all the student athletes on their accomplishments and dedication to their sports. Chairperson Burtnik along with fellow Trustees presented the student athletes with Niagara Catholic "Excellence in Athletics" pins.

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 5, 2012 and Consideration of Recommendations

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 5, 2012, as presented.

The following recommendations were presented for the Board's consideration from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 5, 2012:

1.1 Approval of Policies

1.1.1 Bottled Water Policy (New)

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Bottled Water Policy, as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.2 Christian Community Service Policy (400.3)

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Christian Community Service Policy (400.3), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.3 Diabetes Management Policy (New)

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Diabetes Management Policy, as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.4 Secondary Dress Code – Safe Schools (302.6.6.2)

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Secondary Dress Code – Safe Schools (302.6.6.2), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.5 Education-Based Research Policy (301.2)

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Education-Based Research Policy (301.2), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.6 Educational Field Trips Policy (400.2)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Fera

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Educational Field Trips Policy (400.2), as presented.

1.1.7 Electronic Communications Systems Policy (Employees) (201.12)

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Electronic Communications Systems Policy (Employees) (201.12), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.8 Electronic Communications Systems Policy (Students) (301.5)

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Electronic Communications Systems Policy (Students) (301.5), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.9 <u>Employee Hiring and Selection Policy (Teachers) (New)</u>

Moved by Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Employee Hiring and Selection Policy (Teachers), as presented.

CARRIED

1.1.10 *Fundraising Policy (301.4)*

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Fundraising Policy (301.4), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2 Report on the 2012-2013 Annual Budget

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the 2012-2013 Annual Budget, as presented.

CARRIED

2. Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 2, 2012

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 2, 2012, as presented for information.

3. Approved Minutes of the Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Meeting of March 8, 2012

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Meeting of March 8, 2012, as presented for information.

CARRIED

4. <u>2012-2013 Annual Budget</u>

Director Crocco as Secretary/Treasurer of the Niagara Catholic District School Board presented the Niagara Catholic 2012-2013 Annual Budget. He stated that Senior Staff is submitting a balanced budget, in compliance with the Ministry of Education regulations. The Budget is presented at this time, without accessing funds from the Board's reserves to achieve a balanced budget. The Budget continues to allocate the necessary funding to implement and deliver the excellence and distinctive Catholic programs and services to our students and staff as approved by the Board Vision 2020 Strategic Plan; and the Board approved System Priority Indicators for 2012-2013; Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines and Ministry of Education Directives.

Director Crocco and Superintendent of Business and Financial Services. Larry Reich, will continue to keep the Board updated through budget reports and revised estimates.

Chairperson Burtnik along with Trustees thanked and congratulated the Director of Education and Senior Administrative Council for their leadership, focus and commitment to preparing a balanced budget, while keeping the Board's priorities first and foremost.

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the 2012-2013 Annual Budget, as presented.

CARRIED

5. Ontario Early Years Centre Audited Financial Statements – March 31, 2012

Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services, presented the report on the Ontario Early Years Centre – Audited Financial Statements as at March 31, 2012.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Audited Financial Statements and Ministry schedules for the Ontario Early Years Centre as at March 31, 2012 as presented.

CARRIED

6. Three-Year Theological Theme and Adult Faith Formation Program

Director Crocco welcomed Debra McCaffery, Board Chaplaincy Leader, who presented the report on the Three-Year Theological Theme and Adult Faith Formation Program, which is in compliance with the Board's Vision 2020 Strategic Plan and the Strategic Direction Priority

Indicator to "Build Strong Catholic Identity and Community to Nurture the Distinctiveness of Catholic Education" for 2012-2013.

The Niagara Catholic Faith Focus Team, which represents all staff in the Niagara Catholic family, has developed the theological theme for the next three years as "Growing in Wisdom to Worship and Witness", focusing on Wisdom in the first year, Worship in the second year and Witness in the third year.

Trustees discussed the Theological Theme and Adult Faith Formation Program and expressed approval and support in the development of the program and the various components involved.

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive and endorse the Three-Year Theological Theme and Adult Faith Formation Program, as presented.

CARRIED

7. Niagara Catholic Mental Health and Addictions Support Plan

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, welcomed Ken Lococo, Behaviour Resource Teacher, and Amanda Riley, Applied Behaviour Analysis Supervisor, who provided an overview of the new Niagara Catholic Mental Health and Addictions Support Plan, which was created to align with the provincial strategy and the Niagara Catholic District School Board Vision 2020 Plan, along with the Niagara Catholic System Priorities 2011-2012, "Enabling Strategy: To design a Niagara Catholic Mental Health Support Plan to address the need for increased supports for mental health by June 2012".

Trustees expressed gratitude and appreciation to the team who assisted in developing the Niagara Catholic Mental Health and Addictions Support Plan.

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive and endorse the Niagara Catholic Mental Health and Addictions Support Plan, as presented.

CARRIED

8. Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Committee Approvals

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education, presented the Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Committee Approvals.

9. Executive Council Power

Director Crocco presented the annual report on Executive Council Power stating that it is being presented should an emergency situation occur during the months of July and August and a quorum for a Special Board Meeting cannot be reached after all reasonable attempts have been exhausted.

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Fera

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board empower Executive Council to approve any actions, of an emergency nature, recommended by the Director of Education, if a quorum cannot be achieved after a Special Meeting of the Board is called as per Board By-Laws, during the months of July and August 2012.

CARRIED

11. Financial Reports

11.1 Monthly Banking Transactions

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Monthly Banking Transactions for the month of May 2012, as presented for information.

CARRIED

11.2 Statement of Revenue & Expenditures

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at May 31, 2012, as presented for information.

CARRIED

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

1.1 Applications to Co-host the 2014 OCSTA AGM & Conference

Chairperson Burtnik presented information regarding co-hosting the 2014 OCSTA AGM.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board proceed with the application to Co-Host the 2014 OCSTA AGM & Conference.

CARRIED

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

2.1 CCSTA AGM 2012

Chairperson Burtnik presented information on the CCSTA AGM which she attended last week.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Director Crocco informed Trustees that he will keep them updated over the summer on meetings for Directors of Education on Board Amalgamation and the new Controller of Facilities Services once a decision has been made. He also informed the Board that the reports on Pupil

Accommodation are on track for presentation to the Board by December 2012 once a new Controller of Facilities Services is in position.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 5, 2012

Director Crocco presented the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 5, 2012 issue for Trustees' information.

4.2 Calendar of Events – June, July & August 2012

Director Crocco presented the Calendar of Events – June, July and August 2012 for Trustees' information

4.3 Niagara Catholic Retirement Celebration and Recognition Night – June 23, 2012

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Niagara Catholic Retirement Celebration and Recognition Night being held June 23, 2012, at Club Italia in Niagara Falls.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena, Corporate Services & Communications Department.

4.4 Final Day of 2011-2012 School Year and First Day of 2012-2013

- Director Crocco reminded Trustees that the last day of classes is Wednesday, June 27th and for secondary students and Thursday, June 28th, 2012 for elementary students.
- The Board Office will be shutdown from Monday, July 23rd until Monday, August 6th, 2012, as well as Fridays from July 6th to August 17th, 2012.
- The Administrators Meeting and Retreat will take place August 22nd to 24th, 2012.
- Classes for the 2012-2013 school year will resume on Tuesday, September 4th, 2012.

4.5 <u>2012 Summit for Children and Youth Mental Health – October 25-26, 2012</u>

Director Crocco presented information on the 2012 Summit for Children and Youth Mental Health, being held at the Novotel Hotel in Toronto, on October 25 & 26, 2012

Trustees were asked to inform Sherry Morena, Corporate Services & Communications Department, of their intention to attend, so that they may be registered and have accommodations booked.

4.6 *Student Trustees* 2011-2012

Chairperson Burtnik, on behalf of Trustees, expressed great appreciation and gratitude to Student Trustees Ryan Creelman and Patrick Morris for their dedication to Niagara Catholic and being the voice of the students.

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board express their sincere gratitude to the 2011-2012 Student Trustees, Ryan Creelman and Patrick Morris for their dedication to the students of Niagara Catholic.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting at 9:55 p.m. and reconvened at 10:14 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of June 12, 2012.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of May 8, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of May 8, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

The following motion was passed at 11:00 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve that the Board Meeting be extended by fifteen (15) minutes.

CARRIED

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the June 12, 2012 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned. **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on June 12th, 2012.

Approved on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>September 2012</u>.

Kathy Burtnik	John Crocco
Chairperson of the Board	Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF

JULY 12, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 12, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

JULY 12, 2012

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on July 12, 2012 at 8:45 a.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Chairperson Burtnik.

2. Roll Call

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder		1		
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau		1		
Frank Fera		1		
Fr. Paul MacNeil		1		
Ed Nieuwesteeg		1		
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Student Trustees				
Ryan Creelman		1		
Patrick Morris		1		
Michael Blair		1		
Vincent Atallah		1		

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro, Mario Ciccarelli, Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Superintendents of Education; Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; Linda Marconi, Recording Secretary/Executive Assistant.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of July 12, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Award of Computer Tender

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the awarding of the tender of computer operating leases to Telecom Computers, funded through HP Financial Services, for the following computer equipment, as presented:

- 1.456 Laptop computers with Probook
- 139 Laptop Computers with DOCK Probook
- 1,510 Wireless Access Points & Software
 - 500 Desktop Computers and Monitors
 - 155 Computer Carts & Related Equipment

CARRIED

C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 9:10 a.m. and reconvened at 9:30.

D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the July 12, 2012 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara	Catholic District School Board held on July 12, 2012.
Approved on the $\underline{25^{th}}$ day of $\underline{September\ 2012}$.	
Kathy Burtnik	John Crocco
Chairperson of the Board	Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF

JULY 27, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 27, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2012

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, July 27, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee O'Leary.

2. Roll Call

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board excuse Trustees Fera and Sicoli from attending the Special Board Meeting of July 27, 2012.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder		√		
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau		✓		
Frank Fera				✓
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg		✓		
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli				1

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro (present electronically), Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Superintendents of Education

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of July 27, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

Nil

C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee O'Leary Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 4:05 p.m. and reconvened at 5:25 p.m.

D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee O'Leary Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the July 27, 2012 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on <u>July 27, 2012.</u>

Approved on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>September 2012.</u>

Kathy Burtnik	John Crocco
Chairperson of the Board	Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF

AUGUST 14, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 14, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2012

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Sicoli.

2. Roll Call

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board excuse Trustees Nieuwesteeg and O'Leary from attending the Special Board Meeting of August 14, 2012.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	1			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg				1
Ted O'Leary				/
Dino Sicoli	1			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro, Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Mario Ciccarelli (present electronically), Superintendents of Education; Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; Sherry Morena, Recording Secretary/ Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Sicoli Seconded by Trustee Fera

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of August 14, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

Nil

C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 4:40 p.m. and reconvened at 6:25 p.m.

D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item C1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item C1)

A tentative Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the August 14, 2012 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

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This meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.				
Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara	Catholic District School Board held on August 14, 2012.			
Approved on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>September 2012</u> .	<u>.</u>			
Kathy Burtnik Chairperson of the Board	John Crocco Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer			

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF

AUGUST 21, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 21, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder.

2. Roll Call

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board excuse Trustees Charbonneau, Fera and Nieuwesteeg from attending the Special Board Meeting of August 21, 2012.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau				>
Frank Fera				>
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg				/
Ted O'Leary	1			
Dino Sicoli	1			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro, Mario Ciccarelli Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Mark Lefebvre, Superintendents of Education; Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services; Sherry Morena, Recording Secretary/ Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee O'Leary Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of August 21, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

4. <u>Disclosure of Interest</u>

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

Nil

C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee MacNeil Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 6:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

A tentative Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the August 21, 2012 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.	1.	
Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niaga	ra Catholic District School Board held on August 21, 2012.	
Approved on the <u>25th</u> day of <u>September 201</u>	<u>2.</u>	
Kathy Burtnik	John Crocco	
Chairperson of the Board Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer		

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: SCHOOL EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education
Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

SCHOOL EXCELLENCE PROGRAM CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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JK - 8

Principal:

Christopher Kerho

Vice Principal:

Joseph Tornabuono

Superintendent:

Mark Lefebvre

Catholic School Council Chair:

Chris Hollett

Parish:

Our Lady of the Scapular



Our Professional Catholic Learning Community endeavors to provide the best educational experiences within the context of our Catholic Faith using board and Ministry resources, strategies and personnel that support a balanced curriculum.

Total enrolment as of September 2011: 553

To provide a Christcentred learning environment rooted in Gospel Values, empowering our students to embrace life's challenges as empathic individuals for the benefit of self, family, community and the Catholic Church.

School Missision Statement

Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE

WHOLE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Minutes of September 11, 2012, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, September 11, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder.

2. Roll Call

Chairperson Burtnik noted that all Trustees were in attendance, and that Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau would be joining the meeting electronically at a later time.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	1			
Kathy Burtnik	1			
Maurice Charbonneau		1		
Frank Fera	1			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	1			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	1			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli	1			
Student Trustees				
Vincent Atallah	1			
Michael Blair	1			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; Yolanda Baldasaro, Mario Ciccarelli, Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Frank Iannantuono, Mark Lefebvre, Superintendents of Education;; Khayyam Syne, Administrator of Staff Development;, Administrator of School Effectiveness; Jennifer Brailey, Manager of Corporate Services & Communications; Sherry Morena, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 11, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

4. <u>Disclosure of Interest</u>

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. <u>Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 5, 2012</u>

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Policy Committee

1.1 Policy Schedule

Director Crocco presented the Policy Schedule for 2012-2013.

1.2 Policy Update

Director Crocco presented the Policy Update.

2. International Partnership Network – Global Best Award 2012 to Niagara Catholic

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education, presented background information on The Global Best Awards. Marco Magazzeni, Consultant K-12 Technology/Specialist High Skills Major, presented information on Niagara Catholic's submission to the International Partnership Network, for the 2012 Global Best Awards of which Niagara Catholic was awarded the Global Best Award 2012 for innovative programs.

Niagara Catholic was the only school board in the Americas; North, South and Central America to receive such an international award and is nominated for the Global Best – World Award.

Niagara Catholic has also been invited to the International Partnership Network Conference 2012 in Durban South Africa - September 25-28, 2012 to be a keynote presenter and to accept this internationally recognized award of excellence.

3. Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2012-2013 School Year

Director Crocco along with Senior Staff presented Trustees with information regarding the 2012-2013 School Year, which included the Strategic Directions System Priorities for 2012-2013, and a booklet outlining the Faith Formation Program "Wisdom, Worship, Witness".

Senior Staff answered Trustees questions regarding the various information and programs outlined in the report.

4. Annual Accessibility Plan - September 2012 to August 2013 (Year 10)

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, presented the report on the Niagara Catholic District School Board Annual Accessibility Plan, stating that the Niagara Catholic District School Board is committed to the continual improvement of access to school board facilities, policies, programs, and services for students, staff, parents/guardians, and members of the community with disabilities.

5. Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants 2012-2013

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented the report on Catholic School Councils Parents Reaching Out Grants 2012-2013, and indicated that for the 2012-2013 school year, twenty-nine (29) schools in the Niagara Catholic District School Board received PRO Grants to a total of \$ 25,985.00.

6. Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

Khayyam Syne, Administrator of Staff Development, presented the report on the Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities for information.

7. Monthly Updates

7.1 Capital Projects Progress Report

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services, presented the Capital Projects Progress Report.

7.2 Student Trustees' Update

Vincent Atallah and Michael Blair, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

7.3 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells

• A Grade 4 student at Alexander Kuska Catholic Elementary School is one of 8000 children from across Canada participating in the "Windows to the World" a National Art Competition with a Global Reach that will help to brighten the rooms of children on respirators in the Herzog Hospital in Jerusalem, Israel.

On September 28, 2012, the Executive Director and the Project Development Director of the Canadian Friends of Herzog Hospital will be visiting the school to collect the art and to present a plaque engraved with the school name. The plaque will hang in the hallway of the hospital in Jerusalem.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 12, 2012

Director Crocco presented the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 12, 2012 issue for Trustees' information.

1.2 Calendar of Events – September 2012

Director Crocco presented information on the Calendar of Events – September 2012.

1.3 Niagara Catholic School Year Calendar and Meeting Dates 2012-2013

Director Crocco presented Trustees with the Niagara Catholic School Year Calendar and Meeting Dates 2012-2013.

1.4 Director's Letter to Students and Parents – September 2012

Director Crocco presented the Director's Letter to Students and Parents September 2012.

1.5 Swedish Delegation to Niagara Catholic – September 13 & 14, 2012

Director Crocco presented information on Swedish Delegation which will be visiting Niagara Catholic on September 13 & 14, 2012, along with their itinerary, and invited Trustees to meet the delegates.

1.6 Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament – September 19, 2012

Director Crocco reminded Trustees that the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament is taking place on September 19, 2012 at Legends on the Niagara Golf Course, and to contact Sue Baxter, Administrative Assistant, Business and Financial Services if they will be attending.

1.7 Niagara Festival Grande Parade – September 29, 2012

Director Crocco presented information on the Niagara Festival Grand Parade – September 29, 2012, and invited Trustees to participate in the Board entry.

1.8 Trustee and Senior Staff Retreat – October 16, 2012

Director Crocco reminded Trustees that the Annual Trustee and Senior Staff Retreat is rescheduled for October 16, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

* Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau joined the meeting electronically at 9:55 p.m.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Committee of the Whole moved into the In Camera Session of the Meeting at 9:55 p.m. and reconvened at 10:35 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 11, 2012.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - Section A: Student Trustees Present held on June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - Section B: Student Trustees Excluded held on June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F3)

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded (Trustees & Director Only) of June 5, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the September 11, 2012 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

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This meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.			
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting September 11, 2012.	of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on		
Approved on the 9^{th} day of October 2012.			
Kathy Burtnik Chairperson of the Board	John Crocco Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer		

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: APPROVED MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION

ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) MEETING OF JUNE 6, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 6, 2012, as presented for information.



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2012

Minutes of the Meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee, held on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Racine.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Chair Racine.

2. Roll Call

Members	Affiliations	Present	Excused	Absent
Anna Racine	The Tourette Syndrome Association of Ontario	1		
Kim Rosati	VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children	1		
Connie Parry	Association for Bright Children	1		
Kerry Thomas	Community Living-Welland/Pelham		1	
Sarina Labonte	Community Living-Grimsby, Lincoln & West Lincoln	1		
Rob Lavorato	Down Syndrome Caring Parents (Niagara)	1		
Mike Gowan	Autism Ontario	1		
Jim Wells	John Howard Society of Niagara	1		
Katie Muirhead	Ontario Brain Injury Association	1		
Sarah Farrell	Learning Disabilities Association – Niagara	1		
Bill Helmeczi	Pathstone Mental Health	1		
Trustees		1		
Father Paul MacNeil			1	
Rhianon Burkholder		1		

The following staff were in attendance:

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education; Tina DiFrancesco, Recording Secretary

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Katie Muirhead

THAT the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the Agenda of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 6, 2012.

CARRIED

4. <u>Disclosure of Interest</u>

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 2, 2012

Moved by Kim Rosati Seconded by Rob Lavorato

THAT the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 2, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Summary of Community Pathways Evening

Chair Racine and Superintendent Baldasaro gave a brief overview of the Community Pathways Evening, held on Thursday, May 24th at the Catholic Education Centre. The evening provided parents of students with special education needs in grades 7-12 with information regarding agencies and supports available in their community and how to access them. Guest speakers included Contact Niagara, Community Living –Family Support Representative, Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP), Michael Jacques, a student at Notre Dame College School and Chair Racine and Vice-Chair Rosati did a presentation on behalf of the SEAC. A copy of the agenda for the evening was presented to the members.

C. VISIONING

1. Goals and Vision for 2011/2012

1.1 EA Survey Update

Superintendent Baldasaro presented the EA survey results to the members. The data was divided into 3 categories; Communication, Professional Development and Resources. Superintendent Baldasaro referred to the results for Professional Development and using the data for the upcoming Professional Development Day in the fall. A brief discussion was held in regards to the results. Questions were asked and answered during the presentation.

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 2, 2012

1. <u>Learner Advocacy</u>

2. Parent Outreach

3. Program and Service Recommendations

4. Special Education Budget

Connie Parry addressed the report by Marilyn Dolmage; May 4, 2012 entitled *Information and Analysis re:* (Special) Education Funding 2012-2013. This information will be included in the September agenda package.

5. Annual Review, Special Education Plan

Superintendent Baldasaro presented an executive summary of the revisions made to the plan. Final copies of the Special Education Plan 2012 will be provided to members in September. The Plan will also be posted on the Board website by September 1st.

6. Other Related Items

7. Policy Review

7.1 Update on Dress Code Policy

Trustee Burkholder informed members that the Secondary policy has been slightly changed and was passed for Board approval. The Elementary standardized dress code has been sent back to staff and will be looked at again in October 2012.

7.2 The Assignment of Principals and Vice-Principals Policy and Attendance Areas Policy

The Assignment of Principals and Vice-Principals Policy and Attendance Areas Policy were sent electronically to the members for review. Chair Racine will respond on behalf of the SEAC. The deadline is June 20th, 2012.

E. AGENCY REPORTS

1. VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children – Kim Rosati

May 5th 2012 was the 20th Annual VOICE Conference. The key note speaker was Karen Anderson PhD Audiologist, Author and Director of "Supporting School Success for Children with "Hearing Loss". Her main topic of discussion was The Ingredients for Developing a Self-Confident Child with Hearing Loss.

Karen also spoke on:

- Building Social Language & Communication Confidence: The Key Role of the Family.
- Improving your Child's Social Skills.
- How to be Cool.
- SEAM for School Success-Student Expectations for Advocacy & Monitoring Listening & Hearing Technology.

Attached are the above handouts.

• **FYI** – Press Release-VOICE Supports the OECTA (Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association), Endorsement of the Principles of Equity and Fairness in accessing educational supports for all students. Attached is the Voice press release as well as the OECTA press release. Both can also be found on their respective websites. www.voicefordeafkids.com and <a href="www.voic

• Upcoming events:

- Sunday July 8th, 2012; 3rd Annual VOICE Picnic, Burgoyne Woods, St. Catharines. For more information see attached flyer or visit the VOICE website.
- 20th Annual VOICE Family Camp; August 10-12, 2012 Bark Lake, Haliburton Highlands. For more information see attached flyer or visit the VOICE website.

2. <u>Down Syndrome Caring Parents (Niagara) – Rob Lavorato</u>

- Mini putt was held the 3rd week of June.
- The DSCP Annual Picnic will be held in August.

3. <u>Community Living – Welland/Pelham – Kerry Thomas</u> Report submitted

- May was a busy month at Community Living Welland Pelham. We had a successful media campaign and if you didn't get a chance to see the story on Michael Jacques, Student at Notre Dame High School...here is the link http://www.wellandtribune.ca/2012/05/23/work-ethic-philosophy-opens-the-door-to-others
- We have had a lot of discussion about the issue at the Simcoe School Board and the use of blocker pads. If you are unaware of the issue, the staff are using kick boxing blocker pads in and outside of the school when with students who have disabilities. See article. This sends a terrible message to all students and the community at large.

http://toronto.ctv.ca/servlet/an/local/CTVNews/20120326/barrie-school-special-needs-foam-blockers-120326/20120326/?hub=TorontoNewHome

 $\underline{http://www.thestar.com/news/article/1158849--barrie-schools-using-martial-arts-blocker-shields-on-autistic-students-across-simcoe-county}$

http://www.simcoe.com/news/article/1339434--block-board-on-blocker-shields-mpp

- Our AGM is coming up on June 25 and we are excited to have Christine Rougoor as our key note speaker. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eh74zmULXbw
- Also, congratulations to Deb Zahra Boston Pizza, Cheryl Gula Ye olde Squire and Mike Knapp Mike Knapp Ford for winning our inclusion award for their continued support of the Rotary at Work initiative. The Rotary at Work initiative talks to business leaders about the benefits of hiring people with disabilities.
- Also, had the opportunity to visit Blessed Trinity and see the work Sharon Phillips is doing
 around inclusive education. Just would like to commend her and the school for the work
 they are doing to ensure that students are included in all areas of school life.

4. Association for Bright Children – Connie Parry

• ABC's Annual General Meeting will be held this Saturday in Toronto.

5. Community Living – Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln – Sarina Labonte

- Waiting for the Transition Planning Protocol for young people with developmental disabilities.
- MCSS indicated that parents need to reapply for funding once a child turns 18 years of age.

6. Autism Ontario - Mike Gowan

- The 3 Fundraisers (Golf Tournament, Cycle and Ride) all went well.
- Summer camps are underway.
- Looking at revamping programs at the end of the year.

7. The Tourette Syndrome Association of Ontario – Anna Racine

• A lawyer attended the last meeting and presented information on IEPs and IPRCs.

8. John Howard Society of Niagara – Jim Wells

- There were no funding cuts this year.
- The John Howard Society building located on East Main Street in Welland has available space.

9. Ontario Brain Injury Association – Katie Muirhead

- June is Brain Injury Awareness Month
- The Annual General Meeting will be held in a couple of weeks.

10. Learning Disabilities Association (Niagara) – Sarah Farrell

- There are still spots available for our SLAM summer program running in St. Catharines, Welland and Niagara Falls. The application deadline has been extended. We will be accepting applications 2 weeks prior to the start date – there are limited spots so apply online today!
- If anyone is interested in volunteering for our SLAM program to assist the children develop their literacy, numeracy and social skills, they are encouraged to complete a Volunteer Intake Form at www.ldaniagara.org and indicate their summer availability.
- We will be offering Reading Rocks Junior again in the fall in Niagara Falls as well as Fort Erie, St. Catharines and Thorold. More details coming soon!
- As an alternative to Reading Rocks in Fort Erie and Niagara Falls, we will be offering an alternative literacy program this fall. More details coming soon!

11. Pathstone Mental Health - Bill Helmeczi

- Pathstone is preparing for August 22, 23, 24 Accreditation Pilot project
- Friday, June 8th is the Hope Award Event with special guest speaker Henry Winkler.

F. STAFF REPORTS

1. <u>Terry Antoniou -Principal, Elementary</u> LORETTO CATHOLIC

Nil Report

<u>Lisa Selman-Principal, Elementary</u> SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

• Sacred Heart School hosted a History Fair in partnership with the Whilloughby Historical Museum. Seventy Intermediate students worked together to explore the War of 1812-1814. Many students chose the history of Chippawa and surrounding areas. Students used technology, costume, props. research boards, lego displays etc. to show their understanding of the importance of the Bicentennial along with the war of 1812. In all 31 projects were presented and seven guest judges attended.

<u>Carla Bianco-Principal, Elementary</u> ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC

• Willow dome is going to be built in our yard. It will offer a tranquil setting for students of this type of need.

<u>Clare Ventresca-Principal, Elementary</u> ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC

The Assumption Eco Catholic school community received recognition from Colin Harris
for supporting "Take Me Outside's" run across Canada with a "Take Me Outside Day".
Mr. Harris is a teacher who ran across Canada to bring awareness about lethargic youth.
Assumption students tracked him everyday on announcements and the bulletin board from
the Atlantic to the Pacific.

2. Ted Farrell – Principal, Secondary

BLESSED TRINITY

- IPRC and Transition meetings with the elementary schools are complete and we have enjoyed hosting some students for tours of Blessed Trinity.
- EQAO Math will take place on June 12th and 13th.
- SEA Equipment has been inventoried and arrangements are being made to transfer the equipment from the elementary schools to Blessed Trinity first thing in the fall. We encourage students to continue the use of their equipment in order to capitalize on strategies that lead to independence.
- Last week Blessed Trinity combined players from their team with players from Notre Dame in the June Basketball tournament for Special Education Students. The combination proved to be a winning one, as we brought home first place! A special thanks to Notre Dame who hosted the event. It was a fun time for everyone!

- Additionally Blessed Trinity hosted the Special Education Spirit Day event with all eight high schools in attendance. One of the highlights of the day was the presentation of trophies. Blessed Trinity Cheerleaders donated some of their older trophies. Coaches Mrs. Brown and Ms. Sgambato had the trophies engraved with the date of the event and "Spirit Champions". Each one of the high schools was able to take home a huge trophy in remembrance of the day. From the happy grins and squeals of delight ... the trophies were a huge hit. Thanks go to all of the EA's for all their help in putting together a wonderful day! Thanks, also goes out to Blessed Trinity staff, administration and Frank Napoli from the Board for all of the assistance and support.
- We are looking forward to September and our new room. We have already begun planning programs for our students. Three of our students have confirmation of a work placement-Giant Tiger, Grimsby Library, and a local greenhouse. It is our desire that all of our students have meaning to their day after graduation. We use this model in our backwards planning, looking at life after they leave high school, and acquiring the skills during their time in high school to accomplish those goals. In effect, transition planning does not happen just in the year or two before graduation, but begins the moment they register as Blessed Trinity students. Constant and close communication between home and our school fosters effective programming, success during their time at Blessed Trinity and the alignment of home, school and community that continues beyond the walls of our school.
- One of the key aspects to a successful high school experience for our students with Special Needs is integration. Below, you will see just one of many examples of inclusion at Blessed Trinity:
- Recently, our school held a Much Music Video Dance. While all of our students are
 welcome to attend, not all do for a variety of reasons (time of the dance, noise etc). Three
 of our students attended this dance. All three asked their peer helpers for the information
 they needed, and made arrangements to attend. At the dance, not one moment, were they
 without someone to dance with or talk to.
- Additionally, on Wednesday evening, it is our Athletic Awards Recognition Night. Three
 of our students will be recognized for their outstanding performance in swimming. Again,
 our mainstream students, who are in constant contact with our students, asked... "are you
 going... who are you sitting with... you can sit with us". Once again, it was peers who made
 sure our students got their tickets etc.
- At lunch time, you will not find our students sitting as a group in the cafeteria. They sit with peers scattered around the cafe, or come into the Special Education Class, and you will find it filled with a variety of "mainstream" students who enjoy coming into our room to eat, heat their food, listen to music, chat, play games.
- This is what inclusion looks like. It is genuine, it says this is the way we treat each other. It says "I care more about someone else than I do myself".
- Have a wonderful summer! We look forward to new and exciting things in September!

DENIS MORRIS

• Our Special Education Department is working closely with community agencies to transition our students to the world of work. Through collaboration with our community service providers, we are engaged in creating meaningful exit transition plans for our students who are graduating. We are proud to announce that three of our students from the Special Education Class are graduating. Our graduating students have been working with Jobs Niagara and its manager, Celine Hardy Johnson to create an exit transition plan from Denis Morris Catholic School and entry transition plan to the exciting world of work/community opportunities.

HOLY CROSS SECONDARY

• Mother's Day! Our potted herb gardens for our Moms for Mother's Day actually grew! We received some lovely feedback regarding our herb gardens. Moms were given a pot with rosemary, chives, basil and parsley.

- **Blessed Trinity for Spirit Day -** Students from Holy Cross had a great day at BT. Activities were very well planned and students always look forward to socializing with their peers from other schools. Thank you for your warm hospitality!
- Notre Dame Basketball What a way to finish off the year... a basketball tournament! Students had tons of fun shooting hoops! One of our students was the lucky winner of a DVD player. Thanks for having us and opening your school to us!
- Looking Ahead ... We are getting ready for Father's Day. Students have been busy working on their cards for Dad and this year we are going to put our life skills to use and bake something for Dad's using one of our favourite dessert recipes that we use in our Healthy Lunch Program!

LAKESHORE CATHOLIC

- End of the year Special Education class trip is on June 14th.
- Open House / Farewell to departing Special Education students is on June 7th.
- Final OBS, reading and numeracy assessment being completed.
- Accommodations and alternate writing planning for exams.
- Transitioning of the new Special Education teacher has been ongoing and daily to assist with changeover.
- Lakeshore Catholic participated in the Notre Dame Basketball festival last week.
- New Special Education students continue ongoing transition visits and half day schedules to assist with transitioning.

SAINT MICHAEL

- Semester two final IEP's will be sent home with report cards. We are currently working
 with Guidance to balance our student schedules for next year to ensure opportunities for
 success.
- Transitioning of Grade 8 students is almost complete. Special Class IPRC's for incoming students has been set and will take place on June 20th. We have seven incoming students into our Special Education class.
- Our school website has been recently completed. There is a Special Education section that
 includes program descriptions, staff members and a list of Community Agency contacts and
 their roles. The site is still being tweaked a bit but should prove very helpful for our
 students and parents. I am very proud that we have a Special Education component to the
 site.
- We have transitioned a number of our graduating students with Community Agencies and Colleges to ensure that they will continue to receive the support that they need and deserve.
 We wish all of our graduates success and enjoyment as they begin the next stage in their life journey.
- Community Pathways Night recently occurred featuring the Saint Michael drum line and particularly Sebastian Bustamante from our Special Education Class. His ability to keep a rhythm is way beyond mine.
- The Special Education Department will once again be selling gently used uniforms in August for students with financial need. Proceeds help defer excursion costs for the Special Education class.
- Arbour Day was celebrated with students from our Special Education class working with the City of Niagara Falls to plant trees along pathways within the community.

SAINT PAUL

- The paparazzi have invaded. Pursuits magazine (of the Business Education Council) have interviewed and photographed two of our Special Education class students: Matthew Giagnolini and Matthew Slovac, They will be featured as the co-op students of the month in a future issue. The two gentlemen are doing a great job in the deli at Sobeys. They do this largely unsupported. "Well done, guys!"
- The in-class lunch prep program is continuing. Recent menu items have been spaghetti and meats ball, egg salad sandwiches, shish kabobs, and pizza.

• At the Blessed Trinity Spirit Day Competition, the Saint Paul team earned a "gianormous" trophy for an outstanding performance. Later at the Notre Dame Basketball tournament, Saint Paul High School made a second place finish.

3. Yolanda Baldasaro – Superintendent of Education

- Pathstone Mental Health held 2 contests for their Anti-Stigma Campaign. Niagara Catholic students won the Elementary poster contest. Students from the District School Board of Niagara won the Secondary video contest.
- On May 23rd, administrators, teachers and Vice-Chair Rosati were involved in a Ministry internal review of Individual Education Plans.
- New Elementary and Secondary Principal and Vice-Principal Appointments and Assignments were announced today.
- Linda Boyer, Behaviour Resource Teacher and Connie Garrod, Administrative Assistant are retiring this year. There will be an Open House held in their honour on June 21st at the Catholic Education Centre from 4:00p.m. 6:00p.m.
- Michael Jacques, student at Notre Dame College participated in the Special Olympics for Basketball on June 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The team won a bronze metal at the event.
- The June Minister's Advisory Council on Special Education (MACSE) minutes were presented for information.

4. <u>David O'Rourke - Coordinator Special Education</u>

• Nil Report

G. TRUSTEE REPORTS

1. Father Paul MacNeil - Trustee

Nil Report

2. Rhianon Burkholder – Trustee

- We had a very productive CW meeting last night and approved many policies which will be presented for final approval at the June 12th Board meeting.
- The Employee Hiring and Selection policy was adjusted and passed for Board approval. The policy states," the Board encourages Part 1 of the Special Education Additional Qualifications within 3 years of employment." The staff were advised not to make any changes to qualifications in the middle of a contract. Policies can always be revisited.
- The Communication Technology and Electronics Policy was passed for Board approval, and now there are 4 hot spots for wireless; cafeteria, library, Special Education room and the Principal's choice.
- The 2012-2013 School Year Calendar was approved and both Catholic and Public School Board calendars are aligned.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Learner Advocacy

2. Parent Outreach

2.1 Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) to sit on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC)

Chair Racine asked if any SEAC member would be interested in the position of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) for the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NPIC).

Election of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative)

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT Anna Racine be nominated for the position of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC).

Anna Racine accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations forthcoming.

Anna Racine was acclaimed as the Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC).

- 3. Program and Service Recommendations
- 4. Special Education Budget
- 5. Annual Review, Special Education Plan
- 6. Other Related Items
- 7. Policy Review

I. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letters from other SEAC's

The response letters addressed to the Halton District School Board and the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board were approved at the May 22nd Board meeting and will be mailed out to each Board.

J. QUESTION PERIOD

K. NOTICES OF MOTION

L. AGENDA ITEMS – DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- 1. Mental Health Initiatives
- 2. Contact Niagara
- 3. Agency Presentations
- 4. Presentation on supports/plans for Post Secondary Graduates

M. INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent Baldasaro on behalf of Director Crocco and Senior Staff thanked the SEAC for their service to the Board and wished everyone a restful summer.

N. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 7:00p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre

O. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Burkholder Seconded by Rob Lavorato

THAT the June 6, 2012 meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee be adjourned. **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:25p.m.

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: APPROVED MINUTES OF THE NIAGARA CATHOLIC

PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (NCPIC) MEETING

OF MAY 31, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of September 25, 2012, as presented for information.



The Niagara Catholic District School Board through the charisms of faith, social justice, support and leadership, nurtures an enriching Catholic learning community for all to reach their full potential and become living witnesses of Christ.

APPROVED MINUTES

Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee

Thursday, May 31, 2012 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



Father Kenneth Burns Board Room
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLAND, ONTARIO

Minutes of the Meeting of Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, held on Thursday, May 31, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Mary-Jo Au.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

- 1. Opening Prayer
 - Opening prayer "A Creed for the Gentle" was led by Terri Pauco.
- 2. Roll Call: Sharon Goossen acted as the Recording Secretary Father Peter Rowe-arrived at 7:45 p.m.

Members	Present	Excused	Absent
Shawn O'Brien	✓		
Anna Racine	✓		
Mary Byers	✓		
Teri Venzon			✓
Mary-Jo Au	✓		
Shonna Daly	✓		
Marion Battersby	✓		
Sharon Goossen	✓		
Heather Pyke	✓		
Peter Batiste	✓		
Annie Zdyb-Rinne	✓		
Michelle Zappitelli	✓		
Linda Marie O'Hagan	✓		
Father Peter Rowe	✓		
Terri Pauco	✓		
Josie Rocca	✓		
Theo Dagenais		✓	
Jeff Smith		✓	
Alexandra Sotola	✓		
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells	✓		
Kathy Burtnik		✓	
Maurice Charbonneau	✓		
Yvonne Anderson		√	

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Annie Zdyb-Rinne

Seconded by: Linda Marie O'Hagan

THAT the agenda of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of May 31, 2012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosure of Interest was declared with any items on the agenda.

5. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of</u> March 8, 2012.

Moved by: Michelle Zappitelli

Seconded by: Heather Pyke

THAT the minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of March 8, 2012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS- Good News/Certificates of Appreciation

- Chair Mary-Jo Au thanked all members for their contributions to and involvement in the NCPIC.
- Moe Charbonneau, on behalf of John Crocco and Kathy Burtnik, presented those present with a Certificate of Appreciation for their 2011/2012 NCPIC membership.

Good News

- Heather Pyke:
 - o St. John Bosco recently celebrated their Graduation Mass.
 - St. John Bosco Fun Night-the highlight was dunking Theo Dagenais, Principal in the dunk tank
 - Heather was present as John Crocco spoke to the students going to Vimy Ridge. John's words were meaningful and she could see camaraderie amongst the students.
- Moe Charbonneau:
 - o Student involvement and the presentations at the St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School Blessing was outstanding.
- Shonna Daly:
 - o St. Anthony's Fun Fair is scheduled for June 21, 2012.
 - o The Blessing had a good turn-out.
- Marion Battersby:
 - o Spearheaded by one of the religion teachers at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, eight students attended March for Life in Ottawa.
 - o Enrolment at Holy Cross Catholic High School has increased.
- Peter Batiste:
 - o St. John Catholic Elementary School attended a Medieval Times school trip. Parents and students enjoyed the experience.
 - o The end of year picnic is coming up.

- Michelle Zappitelli:
 - o The school is still under construction.
 - o Graduation plans are going well.
 - o They recently visited the Historical Museum.
- Linda Marie O'Hagan
 - o The C.W.L. held their annual convention at the St. Catharines Holiday Inn last Tuesday and Wednesday. Bishop Bergie celebrated Mass and it included the reaffirmation of the executive
 - Fr. Matthew is the new spiritual advisor replacing Fr. Hugh Gibson.
- Annie Zdyb-Rinne:
 - o Impressed with the trip to mark the 90th Anniversary of Vimy Ridge, students of Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School were very respectful and moved by the presentation.
 - o Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School recently held their Relay for Life.
 - o Construction is still underway.
- Josie Rocca:
 - o Josie Rocca was pleased with the turnout for Family Night with Fr. Tony Ricard at Denis Morris Catholic High School.
 - o Niagara Catholic was well represented at the May 26, 2012 Rankin Cancer Run.
 - o Construction at St. Alfred Catholic Elementary School in underway.
- Terri Pauco:
 - o The end of the school year is approaching, and report cards will be distributed. Overall, it has been a good year.
- Alexandra Sotola:
 - Holy Cross Catholic Secondary Students were asked to sign on a "to graduate" banner declaring their intent. The banner will be hung up in the school the day after the Graduation celebration.
- Sharon Goossen:
 - Several Notre Dame College students attended a student Leadership Convention at King's College in London, Ontario. The guest speaker was Eva Olsen. They also had the opportunity to participate in workshops.
 - o Graduation for Notre Dame College will take place on June 26, 2012 at the Welland Arena.
- Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells
 - o The Ministry of Education Parent Tool Kit was provided to all Catholic School Councils.

C. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 8, 2012

• Ministry of Education PIC Symposium: Mary Jo Au and Shonna Daly

Greetings were sent from the Inclusive Education Branch, the Learning Environment Branch and Laurel Broten, Minister of Education. There were several speakers, Craig Kielburger, cofounder of Free the Children, Dr. Bruce Ferguson, The Hospital for Sick Children and Mary Jean Gallagher, Chief Student Achievement Officer of Ontario. Eleven workshops in English and French were offered.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: LEE ANN FORSYTH-SELLS

1. NCPIC By-Laws

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells stated that the NCPIC By-Laws were passed at the April 24, 2012 Board Meeting.

2. NCPIC Policy No. 800.7- revisions to section 3.3 voting members

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells explained Section 3.3 of the Administrative Guidelines of the NCPIC Statement of Policy which outlines voting members of NCPIC. Parents/guardians are voting members and Community representatives are voting members with the exception of voting for the Chairperson or Co-Chairpersons. Niagara Catholic Trustees and Board Staff are non-voting members.

3. NCPIC Meeting Dates 2012-2013

Regular Meeting #1	September 13, 2012	CEC
NEW CSC Chairpersons and Members' Meeting	October 11, 2012	CEC
Annual NCPIC Conference	November 3, 2012	Notre Dame College
Regular Meeting #2	November 8, 2012	CEC
Regular Meeting #3	January 10, 2013	CEC
Regular Meeting #4	March 21, 2013	CEC
Regular Meeting #5	May 2, 2013	CEC

4. NCPIC Elections 2012-2013

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells presented the NCPIC Election 2012-2013 Package and encouraged parents to nominate other parents for vacant positions or to encourage parents to self-nominate.

5. Financial Report

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells presented a financial report to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee for review.

E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

• NCPIC Social

Mary-Jo Au suggested that the NCPIC have an end of year social.

The social will to take place at the Syndicate Restaurant in Niagara Falls on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Each member is responsible for their own bill.

F. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Community Representative-Linda Marie O'Hagan

- Two documents were provided: The Ontario Provincial Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada Legislation Standing Committee Report and the OPC Communications Bulletin.
- On March 26 and 27 the provincial elect met with the government and ministries.

2. Special Needs Representative-Anna Racine

- A presentation was made by Lori Powell of the NSTS on the role of the transportation department.
- The online SEAC EA Survey is complete and the data will be collated and presented in June.
- The Board hosted a Community Pathways Evening on Thursday, May 24, 2012 at the CEC.

SEAC School News:

St. Andrew:

• Mental Health initiatives at the school are SNAP, Teen Esteem and Game On.

Alexander Kuska:

• Sensory Room is being updated to meet the needs of the students.

Blessed Trinity:

- The Special Education class will be hosting Spirit Day on May 25, 2012, welcoming Students.
 - and staff from the other high schools
- Discussion continues with the elementary/secondary schools re: placement and support.
- IPRCs for Grade 9 and 12 students will be held in May.

Holy Cross:

- The Special Education class planted seeds for Mother's Day.
- Daily walks through the neighbourhood are a fun and healthy way for Mrs. Macklem's class to see their community.
- The special education beach volleyball event was a success.

Lakeshore Catholic:

- Grade 8 students are being transitioned.
- Structured teaching for ASD students is ongoing.
- Special Education class trip to Sugarloaf Park is being planned.

Saint Paul:

- The Special Education class attended a Blue Jays game on Wednesday, May 2, 2012.
- Four Special Education students are in co-op placements at Sobey's.

St. Francis Catholic High School

- A representative from Development Services Ontario made a presentation to parents on May 15, 2012.
- A group of Grade 12 students attended the Next Steps Exit Fair at the Grantham Optimist Hall on April 18, 2012. The event was designed to provide students with the necessary tools, resources and supports to make an effective transition from high school to the world of work.

3. OAPCE-Mary-Jo Au

- Durham Catholic hosted a very successful conference on May 4-5, 2012. Mass was
 celebrated by Cardinal Collins. Twenty-five workshops were available to parents. Chair
 Mary-Jo Au presented the Mental Health Workshop. Two parents from Halton Catholic were
 presented with Parent of the Year Awards.
- In 2014 OAPCE will celebrate its 75th Anniversary.

4. Bishop/Diocesan Representative-Fr. Peter Rowe

Fr. Peter apologized for being late and was thankful for the Certificate of Appreciation presented. He continued by explaining that Lent and Easter were very busy for clergy. Many sacraments are celebrated in May including 1st Communion and Confirmation and this is always a special time for clergy to have the opportunity to interact with students. Ordination of deacons occurs on Saturday, June 2, 2012 with the recent ordination of two priests to the Diocese last week on May 26, 2012 at the St. Catharines Cathedral. The Bishop will be celebrating Mass in October for the 50th Anniversary of Vatican II Council. Workshops are on-going at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre. He concluded by saying that he was proud to be the Bishop's representative on the NCPIC.

5. Student Representative-Alexandra Sotola

- All Student Trustee Policies have been passed and the committee will begin with Mike Blair (Gr. 11) serving a one year term in 2012-2013 school year and Vincent Attalah (Gr. 10) serving a 2 year term.
- The Student Council Conference boasted a 'Break out Session' which highlighted the different roles of student council members.
- Student Senate was responsible for the Mass readings and the carrying of flags at the Graduation Mass and Celebration 2012 at the Scotia Centre.

SUB-COMMITTEES:

1. Faith Formation: Josie Rocca

• NIL Report

2. Annual Conference: Linda Marie O'Hagan

Linda Marie O'Hagan communicated that the Conference Sub-committee meeting minutes of April 17, 2012 have been distributed.

There was a discussion of speakers for the November 3, 2012 NCPIC conference. The list is in its final stages and the next meeting will be in early September. The next Conference Subcommittee meeting will be held on September 6, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre.

3. PRO Grant: Heather Pyke

- The NCPIC Pro-Grant Sub-committee would like to submit an application which will include the development of a Parent kit from parents to parents of newly registered children in Niagara Catholic. The application includes a proposed DVD with the theme of "What it means to be a Niagara Catholic Parent in 2012?" The kit would include a directory of resources for parents, contact information, communication protocol, events, Catholic School Council information, as well as an opportunity to welcome parents into the Niagara Catholic Community. This would complement the new Baptismal Packs to be given to all newly baptized children in the Diocese.
- Marion Battersby suggested that the kit be available in other languages.
- Anna Racine commented the need for the inclusion of a section for children with special needs.

A motion was presented by Heather Pyke

THAT the NCPIC proceed with the PRO-Grant application.

Moved by: Shonna Daly

Seconded by: Marion Battersby

CARRIED

4. Policy Review: Shonna Daly

• The Dress Code Policy for elementary schools has been revised and sent out again for further vetting.

G. STAFF REPORTS:

- 1. <u>Elementary Principal</u>-Theo Dagenais
 - NIL Report-regrets sent
- 2. Secondary Principal-Jeff Smith
 - NIL Report-regrets sent
- 3. Teacher-Terri Pauco
 - Easter celebrations were lovely at all schools with the celebration of Masses and Stations of the Cross.
 - Secretaries across the Board received much appreciation on Secretary's Day. "Walking in the light of Christ" was the theme for Catholic Education Week and the week was very successful. The highlight was the schools art displays in the malls. Terri Pauco requested feedback on the displays. Please see the Board website to view the artwork. Luke Stocking from Development and Peace spoke on the importance of eating local at the Graduation Celebration. June 8 is an elementary PD Day. EQAO is coming to an end. This Sunday June 3, Mass and the Board family picnic will be held at Queenston Heights.
- 4. Support Staff-Josie Rocca
 - June is fast approaching and year-end Masses and activities are taking place.
 - Many sites across Niagara Catholic will begin the ELKP program in September.
 - We look forward to welcoming new 'friends' (students) to Niagara Catholic and hope to make their experience positive.

H. TRUSTEE REPORTS

- 1. Kathy Burtnik
 - NIL Report-regrets sent

2. Maurice Charbonneau

Feedback received from uniform policy vetting has prompted the Board to take a closer look at the Dress Code Policy. The wording of "dress code" applies to elementary, whereas "uniform" applies to secondary. The Board is looking for consistency and several school boards have already adopted a uniform with positive feedback. What parents are saying is being listened to with the cost of the uniform and growth of children being the primary concerns.

I. NEW BUSINESS

A NCPIC June 2012 newsletter will be distributed to all Catholic Schools in the Board.

J. CORRESPONDENCE

K. QUESTION PERIOD

- 1. Peter Batiste asked a question about the playground policy revisions.

 Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells explained that the policy had been passed with many revisions having been made and is now available for viewing on the Board website.
- 2. Linda Marie added that Development and Peace is presenting a talk on 'organic growing 'on June 16, 2012 at St. Alexander Church.

L. **NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre

M. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Shawn O'Brien

Seconded by: Linda Marie O'Hagan

THAT the May 31, 2012 meeting of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee

be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

N. CLOSING PRAYER was led by Fr. Peter Rowe.

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

ADDITION & ALTERATIONS OPTIONS AND ESTIMATED

COSTS

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the project design using Option 4, as presented, for a total budget of \$5,927,880 and,

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the use of \$400,000 from facilities renewal funding to cover the shortfall for the addition to Saint Michael Catholic High School.

Prepared by: Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities
Presented by: Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities
Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION & ALTERATIONS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On July 7, 2011 the Ministry of Education announced funding approval for \$5,527,880 under the Capital Priorities Funding program to replace the portable classrooms at Saint Michael Catholic High School with a ten (10) classroom addition to the school building.

In March, 2012 Raimondo + Associates Architects were hired and in consultation with Board and school staff, they prepared conceptual designs, cost estimates and timelines for four options for the project (Appendix A).

Some of the requests from staff included a new gymnasium and music room plus alterations to the hospitality, transportation technology, computer labs and servery to address program and functional inefficiencies.

Other than Option 1, all options exceed Ministry funding. The Ministry was consulted to determine if additional funds would be available for a new gymnasium, weight and exercise rooms. The Ministry did agree to the use of Board funds for Option 4 which addresses inefficiencies through an addition of a music, exercise and weight rooms plus renovations to the servery, hospitality and transportation technology rooms.

	Option	Cost	Ministry	Variance
		Estimate	Funding	
1	10 classroom addition with all alterations, new gym, weight and fitness rooms	\$6,906,966	\$5,527,880	-\$1,928,372
2	10 classroom addition with some alterations, new gym, weight and fitness rooms	\$7,456,252	\$5,527,880	-\$1,379,086
3	10 classroom addition with all alterations	\$5,527,880	\$5,527,880	\$0.00
4	10 classroom addition with all alterations, new weight and fitness rooms	\$5,927,880	\$5,527,880	-\$400,000

The Director of Education and members of Senior Staff are recommending the approval of the following budget to proceed with this project. A subsequent approval from the Board will be sought after bids have been received from contractors and prior to award of a construction contract.

Project Costs	Budget
Fees & Disbursements	544,036
Construction Contract	4,533,610
Furniture and Equipment	294,852
Other Project Costs	555,382
	\$5,927,880
Funding Sources	
Capital Priorities	5,527,880
Facilities Renewal	400,000
	\$5,927,880

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION APPROVAL

The Board must request Approval to Proceed from the Ministry prior to tendering the project and after securing an independent cost consultant report confirming that the estimated project cost does not exceed the Board's identified funding.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the project design using Option 4, as presented, for a total budget of \$5,927,880 and,

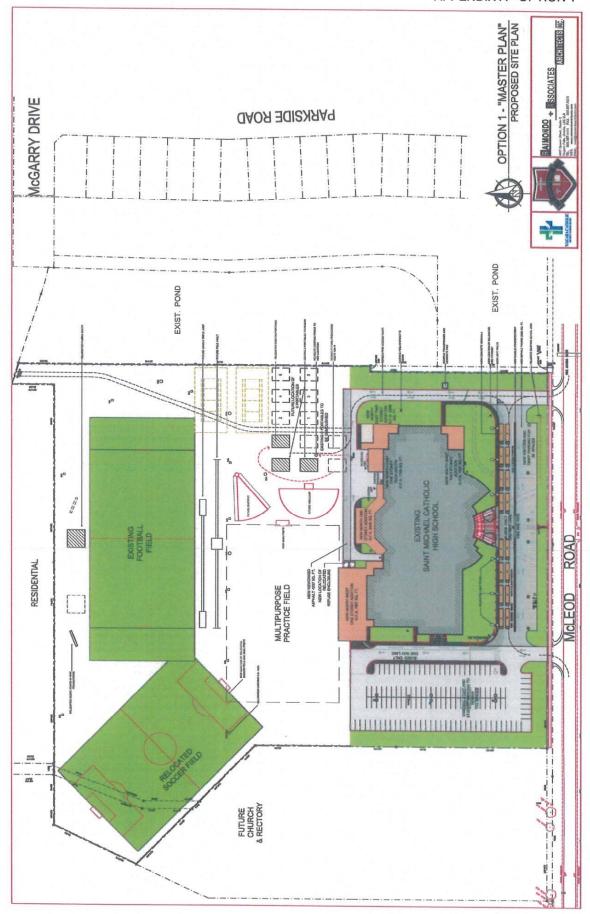
THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the use of \$400,000 from Facilities Renewal Funding to cover the shortfall for the addition to Saint Michael Catholic High School.

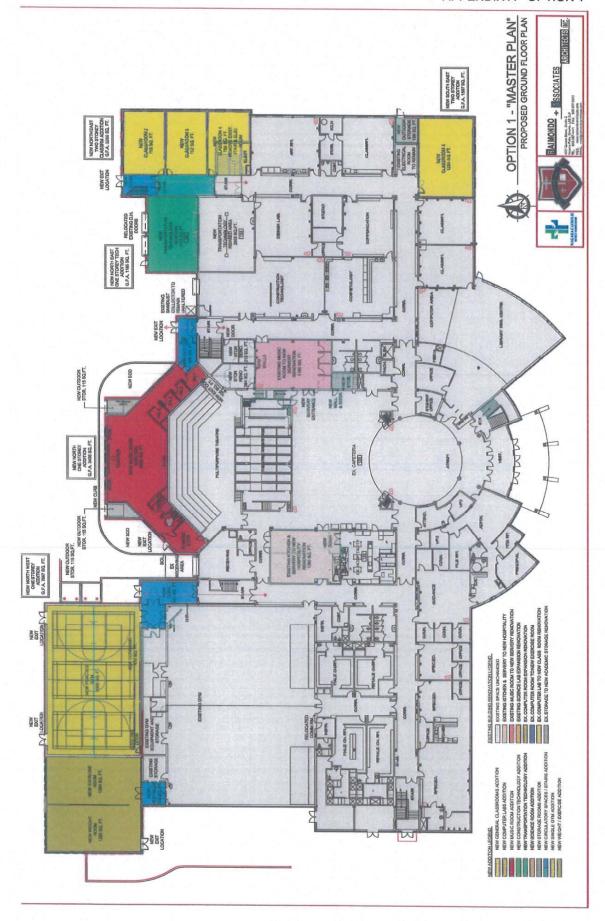
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Presented by: Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education

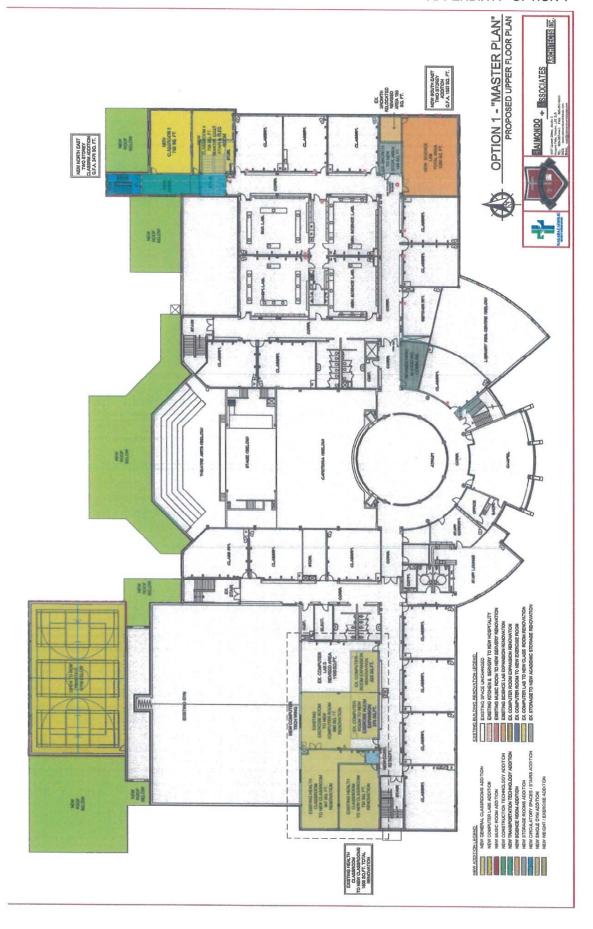
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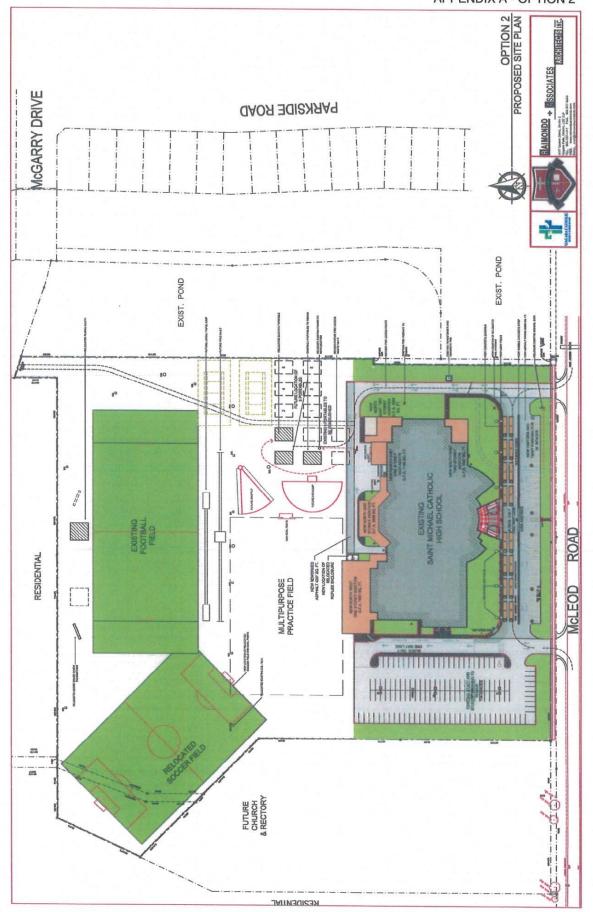
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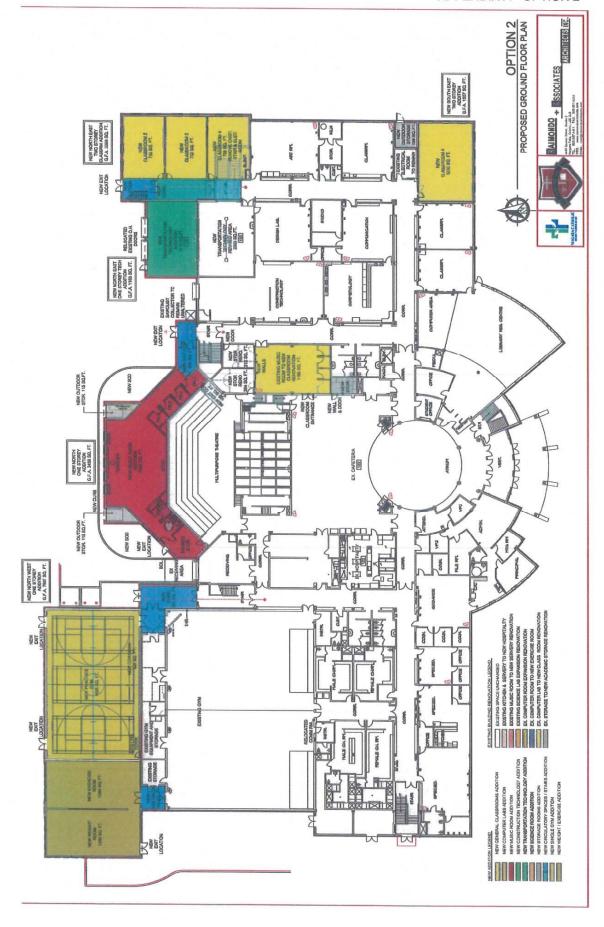
Appendix A: Saint Michael Catholic High School Options 1 to 4 – Floor Plans and Cost Estimates

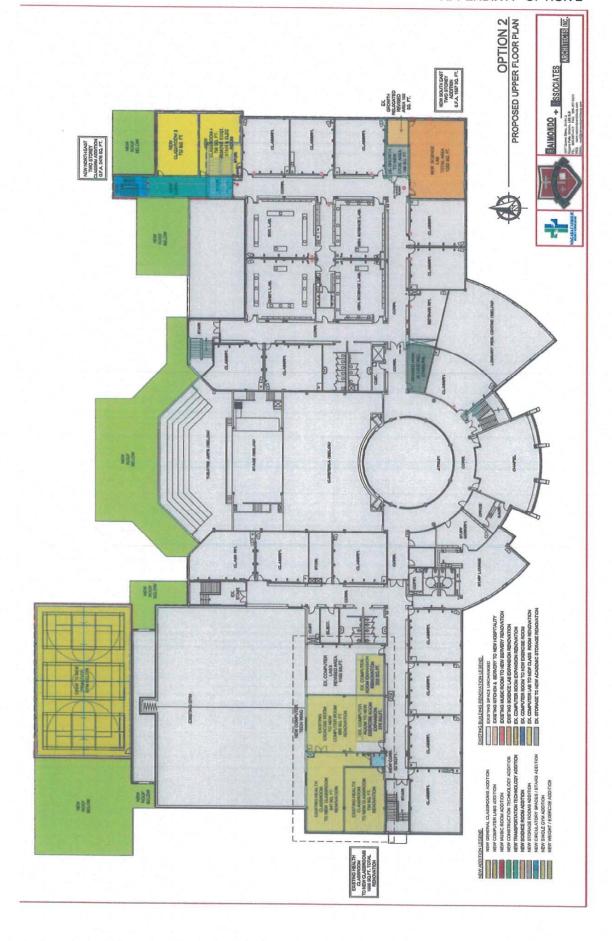


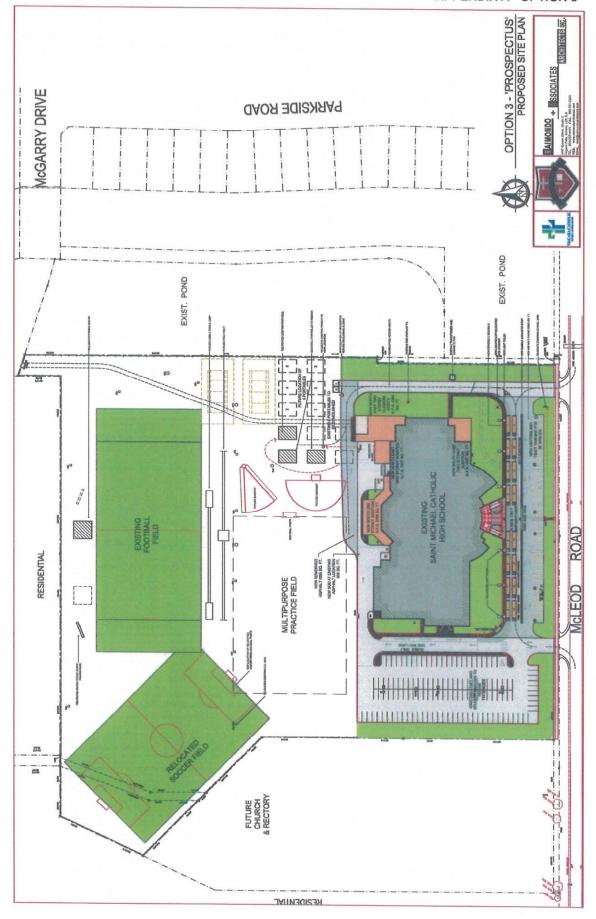


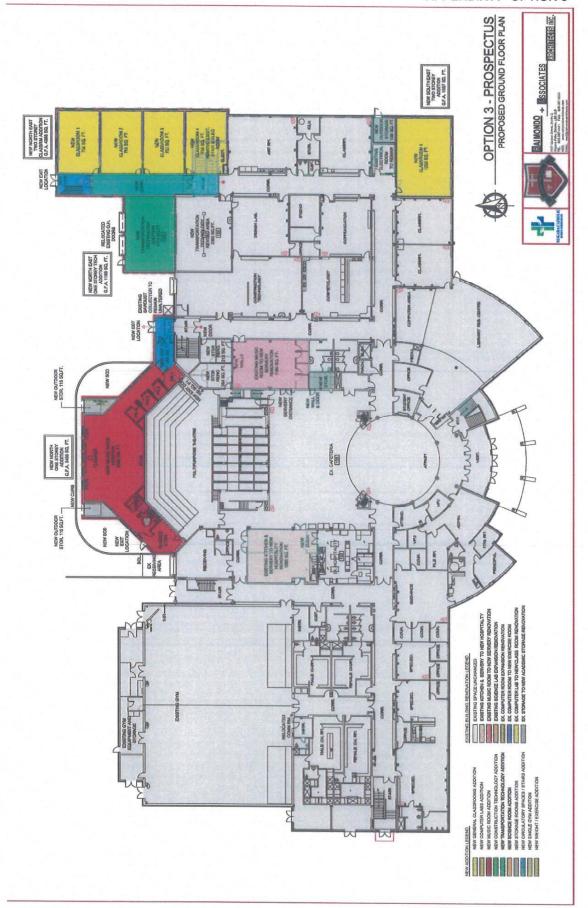


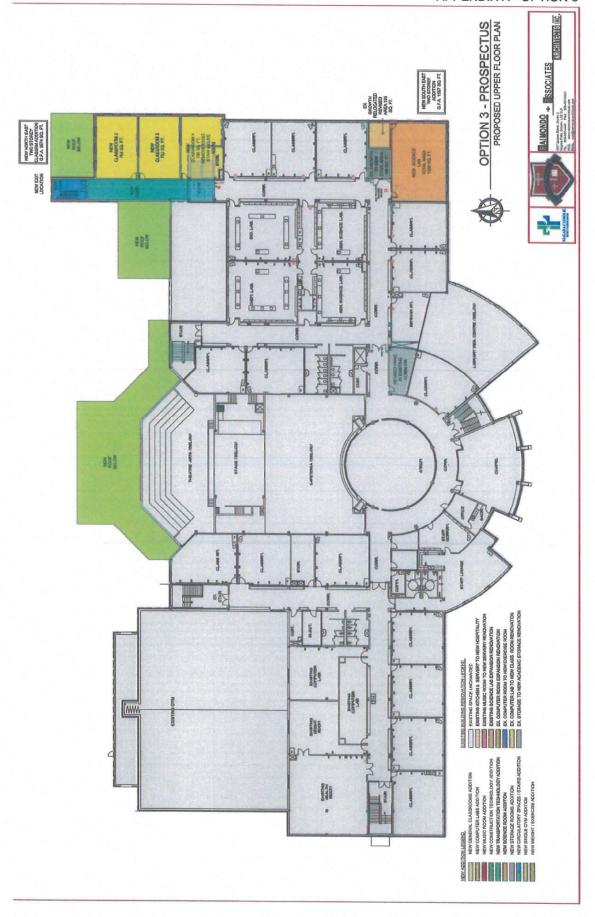


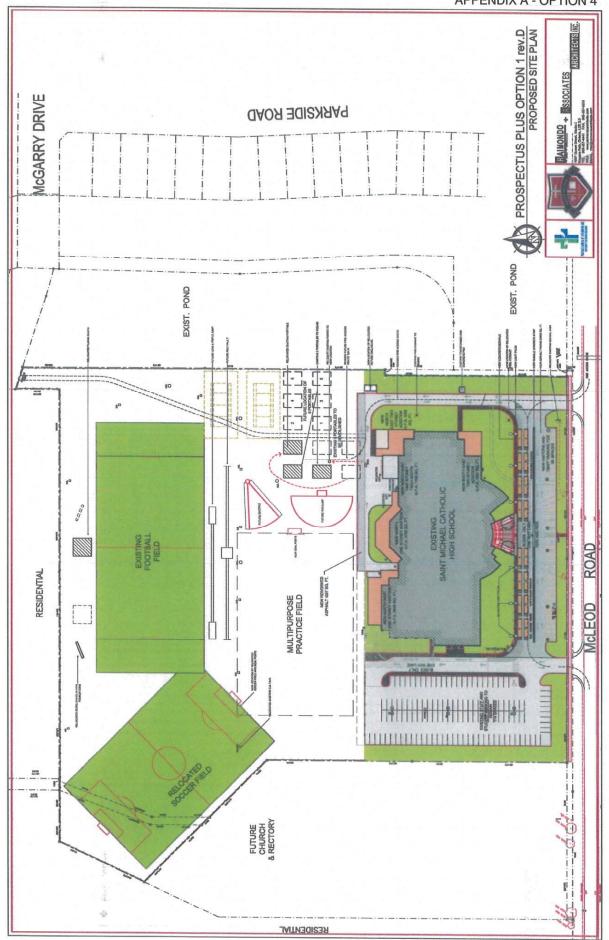


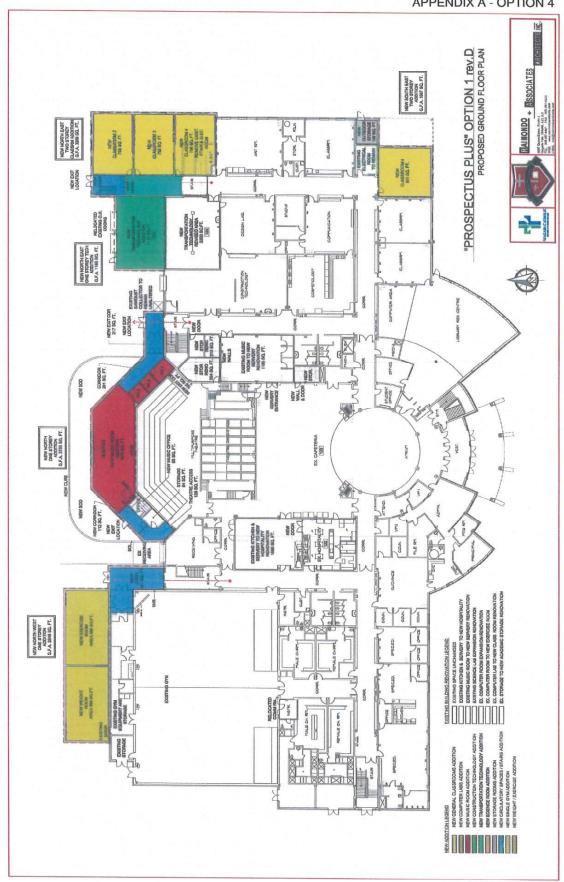


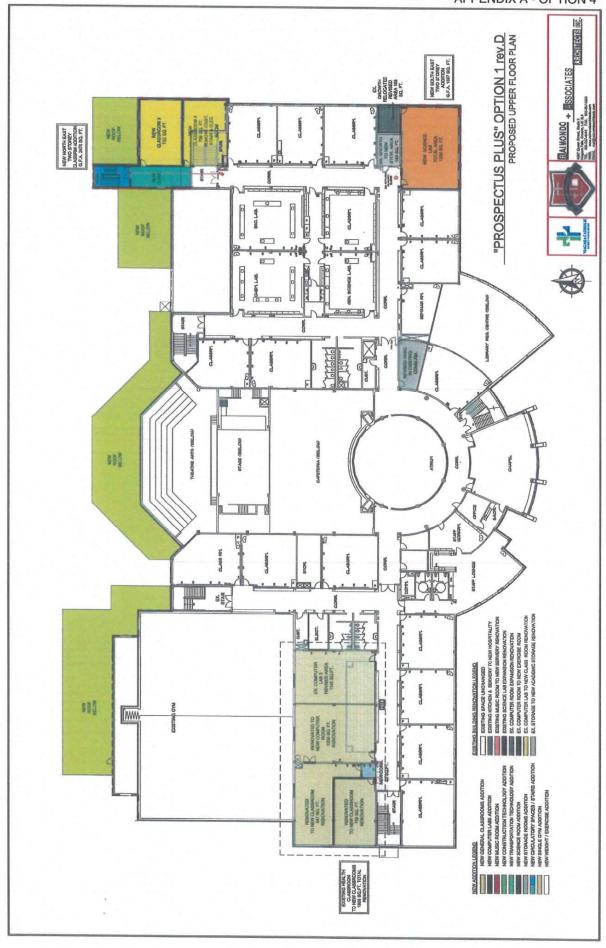












TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: NIAGARA CATHOLIC EDUCATION QUALITY AND

ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE (EQAO) PRIMARY AND JUNIOR

ASSESSMENTS OF READING, WRITING AND MATHEMATICS AND GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF

MATHEMATICS AND THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL

LITERACY TEST (OSSLT) RESULTS 2011-2012

The report on the Niagara Catholic Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics and Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) Results 2011-2012, is presented for information.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Presented by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

NIAGARA CATHOLIC EDUCATION QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE (EQAO) PRIMARY AND JUNIOR ASSESSMENTS OF READING, WRITING AND MATHEMATICS AND GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST (OSSLT) RESULTS 2011-2012

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Provincial assessments conducted by EQAO measure the achievement of students in relation to the Ontario curriculum.

The EQAO results from the Primary and Junior Assessments in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT), along with classroom and other assessments provide data about student achievement.

On September 12, 2012, EQAO released the school and Board level results of the 2011-2012 assessments. Niagara Catholic continues to celebrate student success on provincial assessments with improved student achievement in the areas of literacy and numeracy.

Senior Administrative Council, Principals, Vice-Principals, teaching and support staff continue to work collaboratively to improve the achievement of each student by ensuring that individual needs are being met in the classroom.

The Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (BIPSA) provides the foundation for School Improvement Plans (SIPs) focusing on the improvement of student achievement in the four areas of Catholic Community, Culture and Caring, Literacy, Numeracy and Pathways.

This Board report provides the following information:

Primary Assessment Results: Reading, Writing and Mathematics Junior Assessment Results: Reading, Writing and Mathematics

Cohort Data: From Grade 3 in 2009 to Grade 6 in 2012

Grade 9 Mathematics Assessment Results: Applied and Academic

Cohort Data: From Grade 6 in 2009 to Grade 9 in 2012

OSSLT Results

Cohort Data: From Grade 6 in 2008 to Grade 10 in 2012

Analysis of the results will continue at the Board and school levels for contextual information to support the improvement of student achievement of all students in the Board.

The Individual Student Reports will be distributed to schools to send home to parents/guardians to support the improvement of student achievement.

Elementary and secondary schools have posted their EQAO results on the school websites.

The report of the Niagara Catholic Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) Results 2011-2012 is presented for information.

PREPARED BY: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Anthony Corapi, Consultant: Research, Assessment and Evaluation

PRESENTED BY: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

APPROVED BY: John Crocco, Director of Education

DATE: September 25, 2015

EQAO 2011 – 2012 PRIMARY (GRADE 3) ASSESSMENTS OF READING, WRITING, AND MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
NCDSB	69	83	72
Province	66	76	68
% difference NCDSB with province	+3	+7	+4

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
NCDSB 2010 -11	70 (-1)	77 (+6)	73 (-1)
Province 2010 -11	65 (+1)	73 (+3)	69 (-1)

5 Year Trends

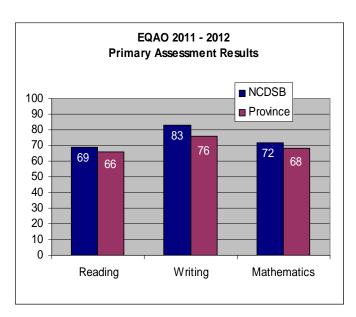
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
5 Year Trend NCDSB	0	+7	-3
5 Year Trend Province	+5	+10	0

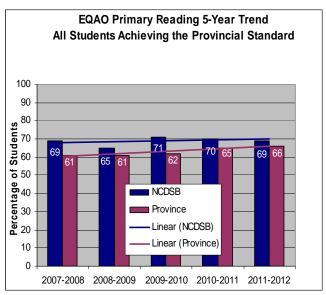
Results based on Gender

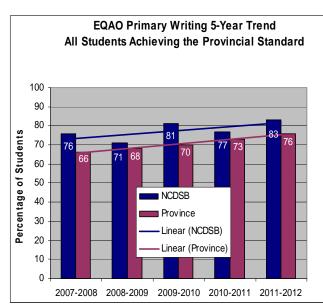
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Male Students NCDSB	64	76	71
Female Students NCDSB	74	88	73
Male Students Province	62	69	68
Female Students Province	71	83	69

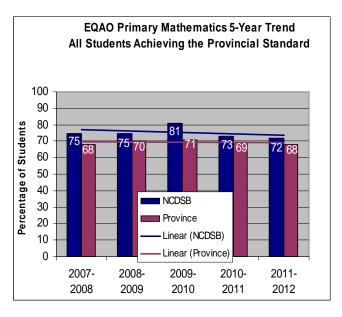
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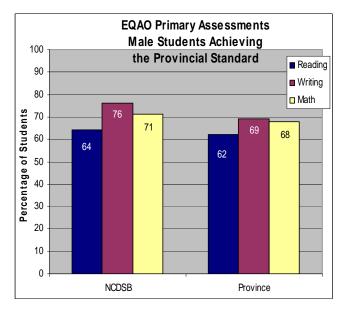
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Exemption Rate NCDSB	2	2	2
Exemption Rate Province	3	2	2

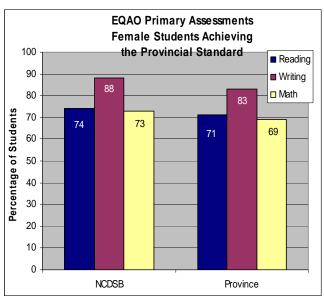












EQAO 2011 – 2012 JUNIOR (GRADE 6) ASSESSMENTS OF READING, WRITING, AND MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
NCDSB (%)	79	79	62
Province (%)	75	74	58
% difference NCDSB with province	+4	+5	+4

_	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
NCDSB 2010 -11	78 (+1)	76 (+3)	64 (-2)
Province 2010 -11	74 (+1)	73 (+1)	58 (0)

5 Year Trends

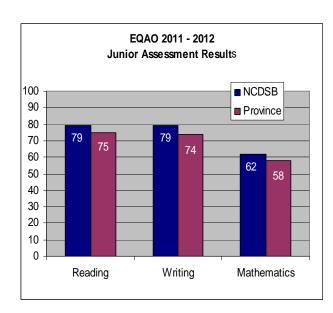
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
5 Year Trend NCDSB	+8	+6	-7
5 Year Trend Province	+9	+7	0

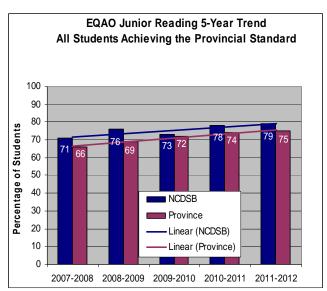
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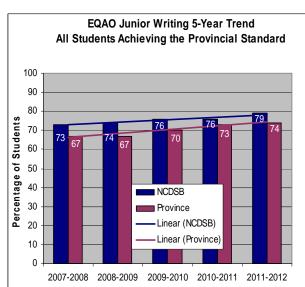
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Male Students NCDSB	64	76	71
Female Students NCDSB	74	88	73
Male Students Province	62	69	68
Female Students Province	71	83	69

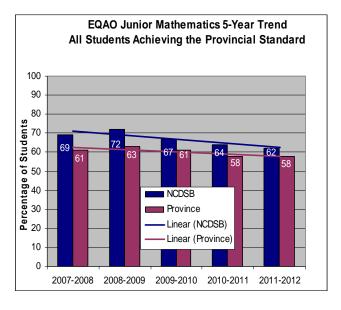
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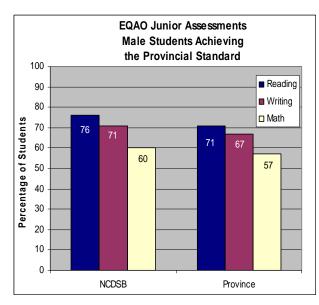
	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Exemption Rate NCDSB	2	2	2
Exemption Rate Province	3	2	2

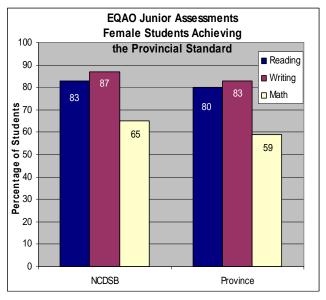












EQAO 2011-2012 GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF ACADEMIC AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students

	Academic	Applied
NCDSB	82	43
Province	84	44
% difference NCDSB with province	-2	-1

	Academic	Applied
NCDSB 2010 -11	82 (0)	36 (+7)
PROVINCE 2010 -11	83 (+1)	44 (0)

5 Year Trends

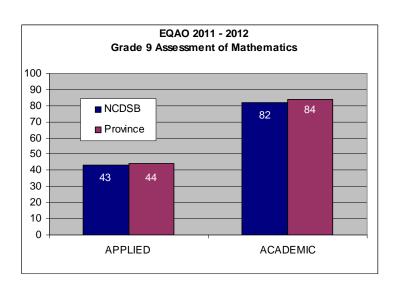
	Academic	Applied
NCDSB - 5 Year Trend	+5	+14
Province - 5 Year Trend	+8	+8

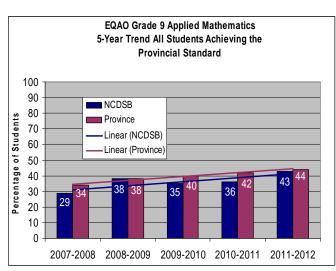
Results based on Gender

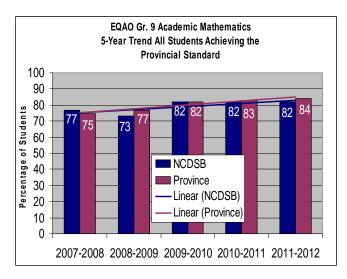
	Academic	Applied
Male Students - NCDSB	82	40
Female Students - NCDSB	81	45
Male Students -Province	85	47
Female Students - Province	83	42

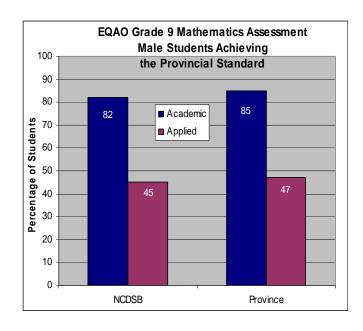
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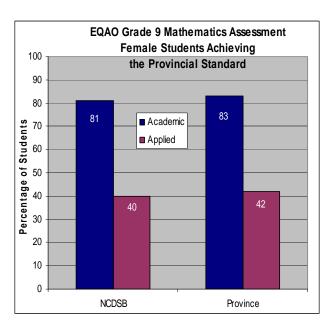
	Academic	Applied
No Data (exemption/absences) -NCDSB	1	2
No Data (exemption/absences) - Province	1	5











EQAO 2011 – 2012 PRIMARY (GRADE 3) ASSESSMENTS OF READING WRITING AND MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students (Grade 3)

Category	Reading (%)			W	riting (%	(o)	Mathematics (%)			
Year	2012	2011	%	2012	2011	%	2012	2011	% Diff	
			Diff			Diff				
NCDSB	69	70	-1	83	77	+6	72	73	-1	
Province	66	65	+1	76	73	+3	68	69	-1	
% Difference with	+3	+5		+7	+4		+4	+4		
Province										

5 Year Trend for All Students (Grade 3)

Category		Rea	ading ((%)			Writing (%)					Mathematics (%)			
Years (2008 – 2012)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)
NCDSB	69	65	71	70	69	76	71	81	77	83	75	75	81	73	72
Province	61	61	62	65	66	66	68	70	73	76	68	70	71	69	68
% Difference with Province	+8	+4	+9	+5	+3	+10	+3	+11	+4	+7	+7	+5	+10	+4	+4

Gender Results (at or above standard)

Category	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Mathematics (%)			
Male	64	76	71			
Female	74	88	73			
% Difference	10	12	2			

EQAO 2011 – 2012 JUNIOR (GRADE 6) ASSESSMENTS OF READING, WRITING AND MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students (Grade 6)

Category	Reading (%)			W	7riting (%	(6)	Mathematics (%)			
Year	2012	2011	% Diff	2012	2011	% Diff	2012	2011	% Diff	
NCDSB	79	78	+1	79	76	+3	62	64	-2	
Province	75	74	+1	74	73	-1	58	58	0	
% Difference with Province	+4	+4		+5	+3		+4	+6		

5 Year Trend for All Students (Grade 6)

Category		Rea	ading ((%)		Writing (%)			Mathematics (%)						
Years (2008 – 2012)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)
NCDSB	71	76	73	78	79	73	74	76	76	79	69	72	67	64	62
Province	66	69	72	74	75	67	67	70	73	74	61	63	61	58	58
% Difference with Province	+5	+7	+1	+4	+4	+6	+7	+6	+3	+5	+8	+9	+6	+6	+4

Gender Results (at or above standard)

Category	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Mathematics (%)		
Male	76	71	65		
Female	83	87	60		
% Difference	7	16	5		

EQAO 2011 – 2012 GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF ACADEMIC AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Results for All Students (Grade 9)

Category		Academic		Applied				
Year	2012	2011	% Diff	2012	2011	% Diff		
NCDSB	82	82	0	43	36	+7		
Province	84	83	+1	44	44	0		
% Difference with Province	-2	-1		-1	-8			

5 Year Trend for All Students (Grade 9)

Category	Academic					Applied				
Years (2008 – 2012)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(08)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)
NCDSB	77	73	82	82	82	29	38	35	36	43
Province	75	77	82	83	84	34	38	40	42	44
% Difference with Province	+2	-4	0	-1	-2	-5	0	-5	-6	-1

Gender Results (at or above standard)

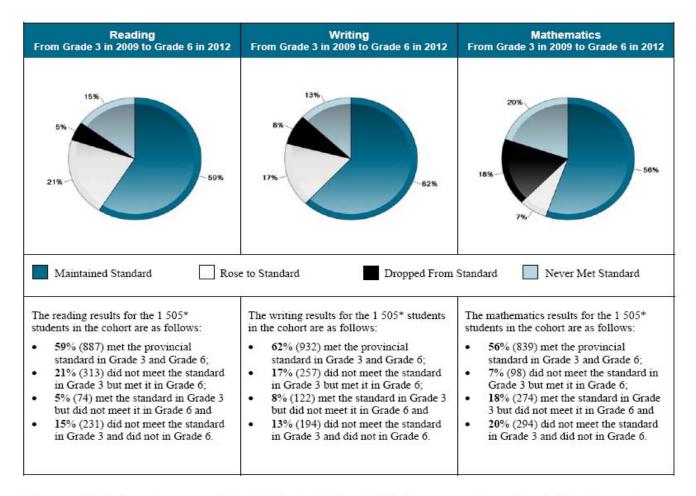
Category	Applied	Academic				
Male	45	82				
Female	40	81				
% Difference	5	1				



Tracking Student Achievement in Relation to the Provincial Standard Primary (Grade 3) to Junior Division (Grade 6), 2008–2009 to 2011–2012

School Board: Niagara Catholic DSB (67156)

EQAO tracked the progress of students who wrote the primary-division assessment in 2009, when they were in Grade 3, and the junior-division assessment in 2012, when they were in Grade 6. There were 1 566 students at the time of the 2012 junior-division assessment. The pie charts below show how students performed on the 2012 assessments compared to their assessment results in 2009. The percentages are based on all tracked students in the cohort, including those who participated, those who were exempted and those who provided no work to be scored.



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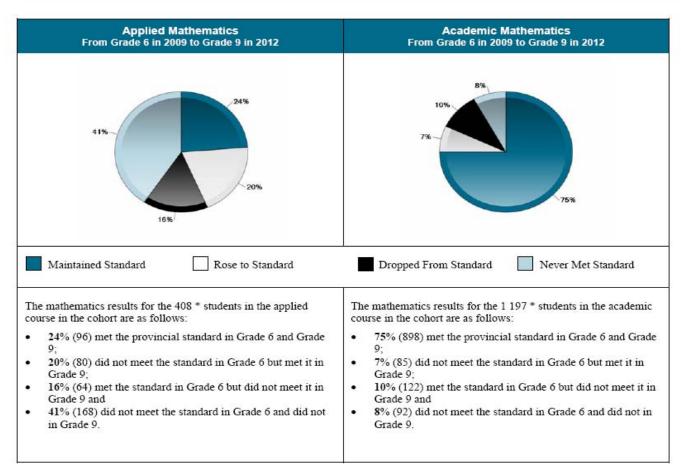
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Tracking Student Achievement in Relation to the Provincial Standard Junior Division (Grade 6) in 2008–2009 to Grade 9 in 2011–2012, Mathematics

School Board: Niagara Catholic DSB (67156)

EQAO tracked the progress of students who wrote the junior-division assessment in 2009, when they were in Grade 6, and the mathematics assessment in 2012, when they were in Grade 9. There were 459 students enrolled in the Grade 9 applied course and 1 266 students enrolled in the Grade 9 academic course at the time of the 2012 assessment. The pie charts below show how students in the applied and academic math courses performed on the 2012 assessments compared to their assessment results in 2009. The percentages are based on all tracked students in the cohort, including those who participated, those who were exempted and those who provided no work to be scored.



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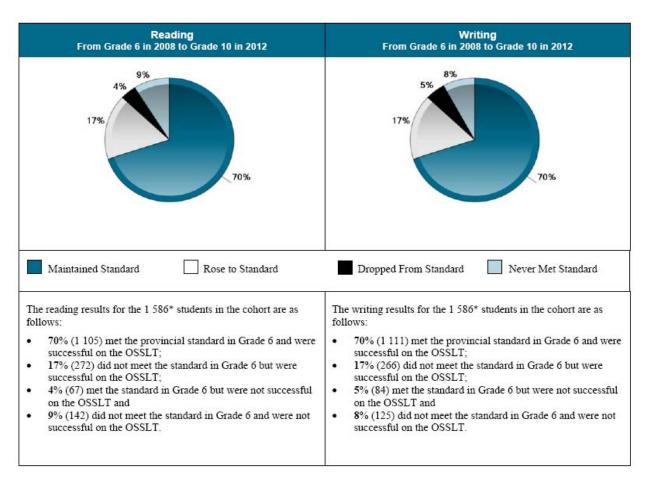
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Tracking Student Achievement in Relation to the Provincial Standard Junior Division (Grade 6) in 2007–2008 to OSSLT in 2012

School Board: Niagara Catholic DSB (67156)

EQAO tracked the progress of students who wrote the junior-division assessment in 2008, when they were in Grade 6, and the OSSLT in 2012, when they were in Grade 10. The pie charts below show how students performed on the 2012 test compared to their Grade 6 assessment results in 2008. The percentages are based on the number of tracked students in the cohort who participated in the OSSLT and for whom EQAO has Grade 6 results (including those who participated, those who were exempted and those who provided no work to be scored in Grade 6).



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TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: NIAGARA CATHOLIC STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS PRIORITY

INDICATORS 2011-2012 - ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

Prepared by: Senior Administrative Council

Presented by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2012

NIAGARA CATHOLIC STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS PRIORITY INDICATORS 2011-2012 - ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the May 24th, 2011 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, the following motion was approved;

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2011-2012, as presented. (Appendix A)

The Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2011-2012 were designed to provide the annual focus for the system towards achieving the outcomes of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan. Within the two (2) Strategic Directions and the seven (7) Enabling Strategies are the approved priority indicators which provide the specific framework to measure the achievement of each direction and strategy within a specific school year.

The Board approved Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2011-2012 were posted on the Niagara Catholic website and copies were provided to all Principals, Vice-Principals, staff, Bishop Bergie, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), Catholic School Council Chairs and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC). In addition, a poster size copy of the Niagara Catholic Strategic Direction Priority Indicators 2011-2012 were mounted in public locations in all schools, Board sites and the Catholic Education Centre for review by students, staff, parents and guests to Niagara Catholic.

With the conclusion of the 2011-2012 academic year, members of Senior Administrative Council and Board staff collated, analyzed and reviewed all measurements and data gathered for the 2011-2012 school year and completed its review of the progress in achieving the indicators of success within each Strategic Direction and Enabling Strategy indicator for 2011-2012.

Attached to this report (Appendix B) is a copy of the Niagara Catholic System Priorities 2011-2012 Achievement Report. Within each Strategic Direction and Enabling Strategy is the indicator of success and comments on the measurables to determine the achievement of either "Completed" or "In Progress 2012-2013". A copy of this final report will be provided to all Principals, Vice-Principals, Bishop Bergie, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), Catholic School Council Chairs, Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) and posted on our Board website.

Senior Administrative Council is proud of the overall achievement of the 2011-2012 System Priority Indicators as approved by the Board. Senior Staff complements Niagara Catholic students and staff for the high level of achievement and continued improvement throughout 2011-2012.

As we begin a new school year, the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan, the Board approved Strategic Directions Priority Indicators and Annual Budget for 2012-2013 along with the Board and School Improvement Plans are aligned to continue our focus on achieving the Vision Statements and Strategic Directions of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.

Senior Administrative Council will provide a mid-year review of the achievement of the Priority Indicators for the 2012-2013 academic year at the January 2013 Board Meeting and a final report for the 2012-2013 academic year at the September 2013 Board Meeting.

The Niagara Catholic Strategic Direction Priority Indicators 2011-2012 Achievement Report is presented for information.

PREPARED BY: Senior Administrative Council

PRESENTED BY: John Crocco, Director of Education

APPROVED BY: John Crocco, Director of Education

DATE: September 25th, 2012

Attached

Appendix A Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2011-2012 Appendix B Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2011-2012

Achievement Report



NIAGARA CATHOLIC STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS PRIORITY INDICATORS 2011-2012

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

Build Strong Catholic Identity and Community to Nurture the Distinctiveness of Catholic Education

- To enhance our distinctive Catholic educational system by designing and implementing a Niagara Catholic Faith Formation program, rooted in the Board's Vision 2020 Strategic Plan, and integrating into programs and services for students, parents and the community served by the Board by June 2012.
- To conduct a Niagara Catholic elementary and secondary Student Conference 2012 focused on the theme of "Nurturing the Distinctiveness of Catholic Education" by March 2012.

Advance Student Achievement for All

- To continue to support all students who are six years of age in the development of literacy and numeracy skills, particularly in learning to read, by June 2012
- To expand and enhance e-Learning initiatives in Niagara Catholic by June 2012.
- To continue with system implementation of the Ministry of Education Policy "Growing Success" Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting in Ontario Schools" and the Niagara Catholic Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting K-12 Policy and Guidelines for all schools in the Board by June 2012.
- To continue to advance student achievement through Ministry of Education, Board and School initiatives on Provincial EQAO Primary and Junior Assessments, EQAO Secondary Mathematics Assessment, and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) by June 2012.
- To align and design initiatives to achieve the target of 85% graduation rate of 2011-2012 Grade 12 students by June 2012.

ENABLING STRATEGIES

Provide Supports for Success

• To design a Niagara Catholic Mental Health Support Plan to address the need for increased supports for mental health by June 2012.

Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning

- To design a comprehensive Niagara Catholic Teaching and Learning through Technology Blueprint by March 2012.
- To continue the implementation of the Niagara Catholic Data Warehouse with elementary and secondary staff by June 2012.
- To initiate the implementation of a hardware platform for all school-based computer technology by September 2012.

Building Partnerships and Schools as Hubs

- To continue to expand educational research in the Board to include Board research projects, the sharing of current research, and an extension of research partnerships with outside agencies by June 2012.
- To continue to build capacity with Trustees, the Diocese of St. Catharines, Parishes, administrators, staff and parents by providing information and opportunities for dialogue on Catholic education.
- To develop and implement programs through the engagement of community groups and the community use of schools program to address the needs of children and families including nutrition, physical activity and literacy by June 2012.

Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership

- To develop a Niagara Catholic Hiring Policy and process for the selection of staff by March 2012.
- To develop a Niagara Catholic Leadership Succession Planning Policy and process for the selection to all positions of leadership within Niagara Catholic by March 2012.
- To design and implement an annual Niagara Catholic Human Resources Certificate Program for all administrators by October 2011 for the 2011-2012 school year.

Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources

- To consolidate the implementation of the Teaching Learning Critical Pathway initiative in all elementary and secondary schools by June 2012.
- To expand the secondary Math TLCP process to all Academic and Applied Mathematics courses by June 2012.
- To expand the Collaborative Inquiry for Learning in Mathematics process in all elementary schools by June 2012.
- To implement a plan to identify and remove barriers to individuals with disabilities in Board facilities as identified in the 2011-2012 Niagara Catholic Accessibility Plan by August 31, 2012.

Ensure Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management

- To ensure that all Catholic Education Centre departments develop annual Operational Plans and review cycles, which align with the Vision 2020 Strategic Plan by October 2011.
- To comply with Ministry of Education requirements for fiscal financial management with a balanced budget.
- To consolidate key risks and mitigate budget factors into a single risk plan by June 2012.
- To ensure that the Internal Audit Plans are presented to the Audit Committee as required throughout 2011-2012.
- To ensure that the External Audit Plans are presented to the Audit Committee as required throughout 2011-2012.
- In compliance with Ministry directives, to ensure that the Board Purchasing Policy is monitored for compliance by June 2012.
- To implement a plan to generate savings on electrical energy through the installation of solar photovoltaic systems at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic and St. Joseph Catholic Elementary Schools in Grimsby by September 2011.
- To develop, implement and monitor the day cleaning program in all school facilities by June 2012.
- To enhance the Niagara Catholic Green Niagara program to continue the reduction of total energy consumption within Niagara Catholic facilities over the average consumption in previous years.

Address Changing Demographics

• To develop a report on school capacities, enrolment, attendance area boundaries and accommodation utilization with recommendations to address the changing demographics in Niagara Catholic to meet the timelines of Board motions, by October 2011.

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: FINANCIAL REPORTS

MONTHLY BANKING TRANSACTIONS

JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the report on the Monthly Banking Transactions for the months of June, July and August 2012, as presented.

Prepared by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business and Financial Services

Presented by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business and Financial Services

Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

MONTHLY BANKING TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2012

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In accordance with the Monthly Financial Reports Policy Statement, we are pleased to enclose the Monthly Banking Transactions for the Niagara Catholic District School Board for the months of June, July and August 2012 as follows:

June 2012 Appendix A July 2012 Appendix B August 2012 Appendix C

As required by the Policy, a monthly list of payments is available in the Holy Cross Community Room for the Trustees to review at their convenience.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the Monthly Banking Transactions for the months of June, July and August 2012 as presented.

Prepared by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services
Presented by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services

Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012

	NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON BANKING TRANSACTIONS		
	SUMMARY OF BANK TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF;	JUNE,	2012
	DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS		BANK ACCOUNT
CASH	BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	(A)	22,495,240
OPERA 1.	TING CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH GENERAL LEGISLATIVE GRANTS		15,656,338
2,	OTHER GRANTS (EPO, O.E.Y.C.)		1,610,484
3,	INTEREST REVENUE		25,133
4.	MUNICIPAL TAXES		10,583,325
5,	TUITION FEES REVENUE - A.C.E. & OTHER		447,601
6.	CHARITABLE DONATIONS		0
7.	GOVERNMENT REBATES (GST 68% REBATE ON TAXABLE PURCHASES)		284,213
8.	RECOVERY OF COSTS (LTD, WCB, BENEFITS, OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS))		313,781
9.	OTHER CASH RECEIPTS - Reimbursements of Employee Benefits - Donations Collected from Employees - Other - Other		3,530 0
10,	TRANSFER IN FROM SINKING FUNDS		0
11.	PROCEEDS FROM DEBENTURE ISSUE (NET)		0
12.	CAPITAL LOAN PRINCIPAL ADVANCES		0
TOTAL	OPERATING CASH RECIEPTS AND LOAN ADVANCE	(B)	28,926,405
OPERA 1.	ATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (NET OF CANCELLED CHEQUES AND DEBT REPAYMENTS		(22,129,603)
2.	TEACHER PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(1,208,538)
3.	O.M.E.R.S. PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(778,180)
4.	CANADA SAVINGS BONDS DEDUCTIONS		(128,690)
5.	TRANSFER TO 4 OVER 5 TRUST ACCOUNTS		(58,945)
6.	OTHER DEBITS		(62,773)
7.	TRANSFER TO SINKING FUNDS		0
7.	INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		(115,938)
8.	PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		(450,000)
TOTAL	OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS	(C)	(24,928,666)
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CASH	BALANCE AT END OF MONTH A+B-C=D	(D)	26,492,979

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON LOAN BALANCES

SUMMARY OF LOAN BALANCES AS AT :

IUNE, 2012

The Debentures & Capital Loans are made up as follows:

Loan Description	Opening Balance	Loan Advances	Loan Repayments	Ending Balance
 OFA - GPL1 Loan 25 YR. OFA - GPL2 Loan 25 YR. OFA - GPL3 Loan 25 YR. OFA - GPL3 Loan 25 YR. OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - GPL 3 OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - PCS 1 OFA - PTR - Completed 2010/11 OFA - 2001-A1 Debenture Debenture (Nlagara Region) Debenture (Nlagara Region) Capital Projects - Completed 2001 Capital Projects - Completed 2004/05 Capital Projects - Completed 2004/05 Capital Projects - Completed 2005/06 	(12,112,048.92 (9,398,034.54) (4,374,939.24) (1,304,854.00) (3,233,607.00) (8,001,754.67) (2,302,012.80) (1,621,000.00) (2,750,000.00) (13,757,112.29) (20,669,482.80) (8,642,789.59) (7,568,578.03)		0.00 0.00 0.00 450,000.00	(12,112,048,92) (9,398,034,54) (4,374,939,24) (1,304,864,00) (3,233,607,00) (8,001,764,57) (2,302,012,60) (1,521,000,00) (2,300,000,00) (3,767,112,29) (20,669,482,80) (8,642,789,59) (7,568,678,03)
Total Debentures & Capital Loans	(95,636,213.58)	0.00	450,000.00	(95,186,213,58)

	NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON BANKING TRANSACTIONS		
,	SUMMARY OF BANK TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF:	JULY,	2012
	DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS		BANK ACCOUNT
CASH	BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	(A)	26,492,979
	ATING CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH GENERAL LEGISLATIVE GRANTS		11,184,528
2.	OTHER GRANTS (EPO, O.E.Y.C.)		4,249,919
3.	INTEREST REVENUE		948,908
4.	MUNICIPAL TAXES		0
5.	TUITION FEES REVENUE - A.C.E. & OTHER		371,613
6.	CHARITABLE DONATIONS		0
7.	GOVERNMENT REBATES (GST 68% REBATE ON TAXABLE PURCHASES)		0
8.	RECOVERY OF COSTS (LTD, WCB, BENEFITS, OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS))		193,720
9,	OTHER CASH RECEIPTS - Reimbursaments of Employee Benefits - Donations Collected from Employees - Other - Other		519 0 0
10.	TRANSFER FROM SINKING FUNDS		0
11.	PROCEEDS FROM DEBENTURE ISSUE (NET)		0
12.	CAPITAL LOAN PRINCIPAL ADVANCES		0
TOTAL	OPERATING CASH RECIEPTS AND LOAN ADVANCE	(B)	16,949,207
	ATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (NET OF CANCELLED CHEQUES AND DEBT REPAYMENTS		(19,461,793)
2.	TEACHER PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(1,168,233)
3,	O.M.E.R.S. PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(530,368)
4.	CANADA SAVINGS BONDS DEDUCTIONS		(95,697)
5.	TRANSFER TO 4 over 5 ACCOUNTS		(56,537)
6.	OTHER DEBITS		(55,093)
7.	TRANSFER TO SINKING FUNDS		0
8,	INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		(181,230)
9,	PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		(129,437)
IATOT	OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS	(C)	(21,678,387)
CASH	BALANCE AT END OF MONTH A+B-C=D	(D)	21,763,799

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON LOAN BALANCES

SUMMARY OF LOAN BALANCES AS AT:

The Debentures & Capital Loans are made up as follows:

Opening Balance	Loan Advances	Loan Repayments	Ending Balance
(12,112,048,92 (9,396,034,54 (4,374,939,24 (1,304,864,00 (3,233,807,00 (8,001,754,57 (2,302,012,60 (1,521,000,00 (2,300,000,00 (13,757,112,29 (20,669,482,80 (8,842,789,59		129,437,42	(12,112,048,92) (9,398,034,54) (4,374,939,24) (1,304,854,00) (3,233,607,00) (8,001,754,57) (2,302,012,60) (1,521,000,00) (13,757,112,29) (20,689,482,80) (8,642,789,59) (7,439,140,60)
	(12,112,048,92) (9,396,034,54) (4,374,939,24) (1,304,854,00) (3,233,607,00) (8,001,764,57) (2,302,012,60) (1,521,000,00) (2,300,000,00) (13,757,112,29) (20,669,482,80) (8,842,789,56)	Ralance Advances	Repayments Repayments

PREPARED BY: William Tumath PRESENTED BY; Larry Reich

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON BANKING TRANSACTIONS

SUMMARY OF BANK TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF:

AUGUST, 2012

	DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS		BANK ACCOUNT
CASH	BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	(A)	21,763,799
OPER/	ATING CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH GENERAL LEGISLATIVE GRANTS		11,397,348
2.	OTHER GRANTS (EPO, O.E.Y.C.)		586,965
3.	INTEREST REVENUE		23,319
4.	MUNICIPAL TAXES		0
5.	TUITION FEES REVENUE - A.C.E. & OTHER		41,965
6,	CHARITABLE DONATIONS		0
7.	GOVERNMENT REBATES (GST 68% REBATE ON TAXABLE PURCHASES)		734,469
8.	RECOVERY OF COSTS (LTD, WCB, BENEFITS, OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS))		206,382
9.	OTHER CASH RECEIPTS - Reimbursements of Employee Benefits - Donations Collected from Employees - Other - Other		2,771 0 0
10,	TRANSFER FROM SINKING FUNDS		0
11.	PROCEEDS FROM DEBENTURE ISSUE (NET)		0
12.	CAPITAL LOAN PRINCIPAL ADVANCES		0
TOTAL	OPERATING CASH RECIEPTS AND LOAN ADVANCE	(B)	12,993,189
OPER/ 1.	ATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (NET OF CANCELLED CHEQUES AND DEBT REPAYMENTS		(16,276,190)
2.	TEACHER PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(1,634,737)
3.	O.M.E.R.S. PENSION DEDUCTIONS		(238,676)
4.	CANADA SAVINGS BONDS DEDUCTIONS		(118,544)
5,	TRANSFER TO 4 OVER 5 TRUST ACCOUNTS		(84,691)
6,	OTHER DEBITS - Canada Revenue Agency (Employee Deductions)		(35,098)
7.	TRANSFER TO SINKING FUNDS		0
8.	INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		0
9.	PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT		0
TOTAL	OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS	(C)	(18,387,937)
CASH	BALANCE AT END OF MONTH 4 A + B - C = D	(D)	16,369,051

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON LOAN BALANCES

SUMMARY OF LOAN BALANCES AS AT:

AUGUST, 2012

The Debentures & Capital Loans are made up as follows:

Loan Description	Opening Balance	Loan Advances	Loan Repayments	Ending Balance
1, OFA - GPL1 Loan 25 YR.	(12,112,048,92)		0.00	(12,112,048,92)
OFA - GPL2 Loan 25 YR,	(9,398,034.54)			(9,398,034,54)
OFA - GPL3 Loan 25 YR.	(4,374,939.24)			(4,374,939,24)
 OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - GPL 3 	(1,304,854.00)			(1,304,854,00
5. OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - PCS 1	(3,233,607.00)			(3,233,607,00
OFA - PTR - Completed 2010/11	(8,001,754.57)	į	0.00	(8,001,764,57
7. OFA - 2001-A1 Debenture	(2,302,012,60)	,		(2,302,012,60
Debenture (Niagara Region)	(1,521,000.00)	•	0.00	(1,521,000,00
9. Debenture (Niagara Region)	(2,300,000.00)			(2,300,000,00
Capital Projects - Completed 2001	(13,757,112,29)		0.00	(13,757,112,29
Capital Projects - Completed 2002/03	(20,669,482.80)		Ì	(20,669,482.80
Capital Projects - Completed 2004/05	(8,642,789.59)			(8,642,789,59
13. Capital Projects - Completed 2005/06	(7,439,140.60)			(7,439,140.60
Total Debentures & Capital Loans	(95,056,776,15)	0.00	0.00	(95,056,776,15

PREPARED BY: William Tumath PRESENTED BY: Larry Reich

TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: FINANCIAL REPORTS

STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

AUGUST 31, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at August 31, 2012, as presented.

Prepared by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business and Financial Services

Presented by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business and Financial Services

Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012



REPORT TO THE BOARD SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AS AT AUGUST 31, 2012

In accordance with the Monthly Financial Reports Policy Statement, we are pleased to enclose the summarized Statement of Revenue and Expenditures by Department as at August 31, 2012. (See Appendix A)

As required by the Policy, a copy of the Financial Statement is available in the Holy Cross Community Room for the Trustees to review at their convenience.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at August 31, 2012 as presented.

Prepared by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services

Presented by: Larry Reich, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services

Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education

Date: September 25, 2012

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES - CLOSED SUMMARY STATEMENT AS AT AUGUST 31, 2012

Board Presentation: September 25, 2012

		THIS YEAR				LAST YEAR	***************************************
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	<u>CHANGES</u>	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
REVENUE				[
REVENUE	-240,004,203	-250,504,359	4.2%		 -249,165,937	240,139,674	203.8%
TOTAL REVENUE	-240,004,203	-250,504,359	4.2%		-249,165,937	240,139,674	203.8%
EXPENDITURES				 	 		
BOARD ADMINISTRATION	8,156,835	8,010,826	-1.8%	!	 7,898,976	7,428,758	-6.3%
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	122,110,201	122,343,045	0,2%	! 	 117,290,811	115,294,976	-1.7%
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	69,639,945	68,803,010	-1.2%	 	 68,103,971	66,850,146	-1.9%
CONTINUING EDUCATION	6,024,881	6,131,132	1.7%	<u> </u>	5,829,914	5,706,458	-2.2%
PLANT OPERATIONS	17,645,845	17,997,907	2.0%	 	! 19, 1 45,275	17,770,648	- 7.7%
PLANT MAINTENANCE	3,486,267	3,390,846	-2.8%	 	 3,585,331	3,275,833	-9.4%
TRANSPORTATION	10,279,568	10,102,839	-1.7%	! !	 10,366,186	10,371,090	0.0%
CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	13,724,754	13,724,754	0.0%	1	22,426,224	13,441,765	-66.8%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	251,068,296	250,504,359	-0.2%	1	254,646,688	240,139,674	-6.0%

PREPARED BY : William Turnath Finance Department

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2012 BOARD ADMINISTRATION

	THIS	THIS YEAR TO DATE				TO DATE	
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT CHA	NGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - TRUSTEES	252,585	215,744	17.1-		240,257	213,359	12.6-
SALARY & BEN - SENIOR STAFF	1,513,982	1,498,161	1.1-		1,211,970	1,142,749	6.1-
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	1,547,738	1,578,425	1.9		1,544,272	1,545,693	0.1
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	386,763	361,068	7.1-		346,019	372,143	7.0
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	2,049,183	2,358,107	13.1		2,235,426	2,277,578	1.9
TEMPORARY STAFF	68,610	64,321	6.7-	1	149,670	64,236	133.0-
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	63,533	60,000	5.9-	1	70,684	60,000	17.8-
SUPPLIES - ADMINISTRATION	619,053	487,500	27.0-	1	595,971	465,500	28.0-
SUPPLIES - HUMAN RESOURCES	19,726	20,000	1.4	1	18,624	30,000	37.9
SUPPLIES - COMPUTER SERVICE	121,619	62,500	94.6-	1	77,137	62,500	23.4-
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	438,039	380,000	15.3-	1	438,737	405,000	8.3-
SUPPLIES - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	76,334	50,000	52.7-	1	63,415	75,000	15.5
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	173,343	155,000	11.8-	ı	41,012	10,000	310.1-
FEES & CONTRACTS	814,113	675,000	20.6-	1	827,591	665,000	24.5-
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES	12,214	45,000	72.9	1	38,187	40,000	4.5
TOTAL - BOARD ADMINISTRATION	8,156,835	8,010,826	1.8-	1	7,898,972	7,428,758	6.3

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2012 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

	THI	THIS YEAR TO DATE				R TO DATE	O DATE	
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET %	6 LEFT	
CLASSROOM TEACHERS	83,283,219	83,158,242	0.2-]	78,397,053	78,995,247	0.8	
OCCASSIONAL TEACHERS	3,141,738	3,592,748	12.6	1	4,781,995	2,721,566	75.7-	
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	15,382,521	15,294,372	0.6-]	1	13,814,798	13,610,720	1.5-	
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	3,010,038	2,579,397	16.7-	1	2,675,610	2,197,520	21.8-	
LIBRARY TECHNICIANS	1,898,376	2,055,961	7.7	1	1,997,129	1,918,532	4.1-	
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	7,523,734	7,222,285	4.2-	1	7,175,416	7,069,937	1.5-	
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	2,399,224	2,496,710	3.9	1	2,283,435	2,379,206	4.0	
TEACHER CONSULTANTS	1,303,224	994,429	31.1-	1	1,382,083	1,541,742	10.4	
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	164,903	430,000	61.7	1	406,096	330,000	23.1-	
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	858,623	1,053,000	18.5	I	1,385,623	1,433,200	3.3	
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	1,554,737	1,532,010	1.5-	I	1,511,656	1,545,061	2.2	
PROGRAM SUPPLIES	141,283	186,000	24.0	I	144,176	186,737	22.8	
SCHOOL ADMIN. SUPPLIES	410,098	400,000	2.5-	l	445,448	430,000	3.6-	
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	598,336	653,147	8.4	I	564,322	593,082	4.9	
COMPUTERS - NON CLASSROOM	0	49,956	100.0	1	4,238	0	0.0	
F & E - CLASSROOM	423,538	604,658	30.0	I	304,003	300,365	1.2-	
F & E - NON CLASSROOM	16,609	42,130	60.6	I	17,728	42,061	57.9	
TOTAL - ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	122,110,201	122,345,045	0.2	1	117,290,809	115,294,976	1.7	

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 SECONDARY SCHOOLS

	THIS	THIS YEAR TO DATE					
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT 6	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET %	6 LEFT
CLASSROOM TEACHERS	49,028,174	48,358,132	1.4-	I	47,721,171	47,490,900	0.5-
OCCASSIONAL TEACHERS	2,089,255	2,157,811	3.2	1	1,832,336	1,613,364	13.6-
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	4,781,469	4,574,629	4.5-	1	4,686,226	4,571,239	2.5-
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	1,246,009	1,433,411	13.1	1	1,208,512	1,365,470	11.5
LIBRARY TECHNICIANS	400,775	404,382	0.9	1	397,975	386,749	2.9-
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	3,020,922	3,031,525	0.4	1	2,922,119	2,910,397	0.4-
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	2,046,766	2,026,523	1.0-	I	1,991,345	1,904,534	4.6-
TEACHER CONSULTANTS	705,293	897,114	21.4	1	961,462	672,455	43.0-
LIBRARY & GUIDANCE - TEACHING	2,303,557	1,912,692	20.4-	1	2,351,069	1,831,679	28.4-
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	66,823	120,000	44.3	I	128,760	120,000	7.3-
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	1,812,530	1,760,966	2.9-	1	1,839,570	1,814,193	1.4-
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	1,476,530	1,390,852	6.2-	1	1,487,866	1,487,436	0.0
PROGRAM SUPPLIES	32,581	57,000	42.8	1	58,936	76,000	22.5
SCHOOL ADMIN. SUPPLIES	212,113	205,000	3.5-	1	198,481	225,000	11.8
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	265,193	303,060	12.5	ŀ	178,989	200,000	10.5
COMPUTERS - NON CLASSROOM	0	25,000	100.0	1	17,453	26,687	34.6
F & E - CLASSROOM	50,408	52,212	3.5	ı	38,498	60,000	35.8
F & E - NON CLASSROOM	16,247	20,701	21.5	1	205	22,043	99.1
FEES & CONTRACTS	85,300	72,000	18.5-j	1	83,000	72,000	15.3-
TOTAL - SECONDARY SCHOOLS	69,639,945	68,803,010	1.2-		68,103,973	66,850,146	1.9

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 CONTINUING EDUCATION

	THIS YEAR TO DATE				THIS YEAR TO DATE					LAST YEAR	TO DATE	
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	l	EXPENDED	BUDGET %	6 LEFT				
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	45,495	30,800	47.7-			50,468	40,405	24.9-				
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	106,955	105,440	1.4-		ı	103,115	83,832	23.0-				
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	536,848	490,884	9.4-		ı	412,069	397,847	3.6-				
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	345,487	399,032	13.4		ı	349,697	354,489	1.4				
TEMPORARY STAFF	50,684	38,157	32.8-		1	47,342	50,186	5.7				
GRANT OFFICERS	35,112	70,540	50.2		I	68-	0	0.0				
A.E. TEACHERS / INSTRUCTORS	3,950,173	4,056,207	2.6		I	3,938,451	3,746,794	5.1-				
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	13,809	14,750	6.4		1	16,283	23,200	29.8				
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	305,744	386,680	20.9		1	365,994	366,608	0.2				
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	609,523	532,642	14.4-		1	519,799	617,397	15.8				
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	20,061	4,000	401.5-		I	17,597	20,000	12.0				
F & E - CLASSROOM	51	O	0.0		I	7,315	0	0.0				
FEES & CONTRACTS	4,939	2,000	147.0-		I	1,849	5,700	67.6				
TOTAL - CONTINUING EDUCATION	6,024,881	6,131,132	1.7		ı	5,829,911	5,706,458	2.2				

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 PLANT OPERATIONS

	THIS	THIS YEAR TO DATE					
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	744,426	883,674	15.8		676,108	606,165	11.5-
SALARY & BEN - CARETAKERS	5,274,875	5,466,685	3.5	١	5,426,426	4,847,377	12.0-
SALARY & BEN - CLEANERS	4,526,579	4,268,355	6.1-	I	4,817,160	5,090,599	5.4
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	111,500	200,193	44.3	١	105,059	187,507	44.0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	8,381	10,000	16.2	ı	8,248	10,000	17.5
SUPPLIES - UTILITIES	4,426,546	4,600,000	3.8	ı	4,832,544	4,350,000	11.1-
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	1,004,508	712,500	41.0-	1	913,020	697,500	30.9-
SUPPLIES - GROUNDS	513,908	770,000	33.3	I	1,197,282	845,000	41.7-
F & E - PLANT OPERATIONS	469,701	526,500	10.8	1	523,103	576,500	9.3
FEES & CONTRACTS	565,421	560,000	1.0-]	ļ	646,327	560,000	15.4-
TOTAL - PLANT OPERATIONS	17,645,845	17,997,907	2.0		19,145,277	17,770,648	7.7

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NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 PLANT MAINTENANCE

	THIS	YEAR TO		LAST YEAR TO DATE			
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET %	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	514,447	505,303	1.8-		540,292	573,283	5.8
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	1,002,461	1,064,020	5.8		1,040,646	865,843	20.2
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	106,294	78,172	36.0-		96,016	77,239	24.3
TEMPORARY STAFF	30,320	5,351	466.6-		14,394	21,468	33.0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	648	7,500	91.4		3,031	7,500	59.6
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	296,353	400,000	25.9		339,929	350,000	2.9
SUPPLIES - GROUNDS	157,410	180,000	12.6	!	207,604	200,000	3.8
SUPPLIES - PLANT MAINTENANCE	171,893	159,000	8.1-1		175,594	169,000	3.9
SUPPLIES - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,086,843	878,000	23.8-		1,085,834	905,000	20.0
F & E - PLANT MAINTENANCE	45,667	36,500	25.1-		6,003	31,500	80.9
FEES & CONTRACTS	73,931	75,000	1.4		75,991	75,000	1.3
TOTAL - PLANT MAINTENANCE	3,486,267	3,388,846	2.9-	·	3,585,334	3,275,833	9.

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NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE				
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES		EXPENDED	BUDGET %	6 LEFT	
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	81,980	117,590	30.3		ŀ	117,273	111,069	5.6-	
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	68,257	176,514	61.3		Ī	169,641	162,103	4.7-	
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	0	23,508	100.0		ı	20,650	47,204	56.3	
SUPPLIES - ADMINISTRATION	249	74,278	99.7		ı	65,830	69,823	5.7	
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	0	12,675	100.0 [ı	5,181	0	0.0	
FEES & CONTRACTS	10,129,082	9,698,274	4.4-		1	9,987,610	9,980,891	0.1-	
TOTAL - TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT	10,279,568	10,102,839	1.8-			10,366,185	10,371,090	0.1	

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NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31M 2012 CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITURES

	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE			
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET %	6 LEFT	
GOOD PLACES TO LEARN	1,717,989	1,688,284	1.8-	1	1,365,271	1,294,887	5.4-	
FACILITY RENEWAL PROJECTS	0	733,751	100.0	1	219,831	841,417	73.9	
DEBT CHARGES BEFORE MAY, 1998	376,880	376,880] 0.0	1	437,198	405,406	7.8-	
DEBT CHARGES AFTER MAY, 1998	117,487	117,487	0.0	1	117,487	117,487	0,0	
NEW PUPIL PLACES	3,198,810	2,465,060	29.8-	1	3,466,184	3,435,058	0.9-	
AMORTIZATION & NET LOSS DISPOSALS	8,313,588	8,343,292	0.4	1	8,287,986	7,347,510	12.8-	
SGF - SCHOOL GENERATED FUNDS	0	0	0.0	1	8,532,267	0	0.0	
TOTAL - CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITUR	13,724,754	13,724,754	0.0		22,426,224	13,441,765	66.8	

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2012 Board Presentation: September 25, 2012

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		THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE			
ACCOUNT	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% Left	CHANGES		EXPENDED	BUDGET	% Left	
GRAND TOTAL-	251,068,296 2	50,504,359	-0.2 [<u> </u>	1	254,646,688	240,139,674	-6.0	

Prepared by : William Tumath Finance Department

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION

CENTRE WHERE ADOLESCENTS LEARN TO LOVE AND

SERVE (CALLS) – COOPERATIVE EDUCATION



Centre where Adolescents Learn to Love and Serve
St. John's Centre, Bay Street
Portsmouth, Commonwealth of Dominica, WI
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10 December 2011

Mr. John Crocco, Director Niagara Catholic District School Board 427 Rice Road Welland, ON L3C 7C1 CANADA

Dear Mr. Crocco:

We really appreciate the fact that you chose CALLS as one of the sites for your cooperative education experience in Dominica. It seems fitting that, after so many years of financial support from Lakeshore and having your students visit for shorter periods that we have evolved to the next level with a more in-depth Cooperative Education experience.

You have every reason to be proud of your students. The four students, Emma, Jessica, Kayla and Matt whom we hosted at CALLS were wonderful assets and brought vitality and enthusiasm to the experience which, I trust, was as beneficial to your students as it was to our trainees. Some day into the future, I am hoping for an exchange of our trainees with one of the schools in your District. While we know that this program is a costly one to the District, we would encourage its continuation for it reaps big dividends and can only improve each successive year. We will discuss with Jason our ideas to make upcoming programs even more effective.

Our compliments also to Jason and Amber who gave so much to keep your students well taught, well disciplined and well loved.

Please convey our gratitude to members and staff of The Niagara Catholic District School Board and may you all have a blessed Christmas and New Year.

Sincerely

Olivia Douglas

Director

OD/el

BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

PUBLIC SESSION

TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION

CANADIAN BEVERAGE ASSOCIATION – NIAGARA

CATHOLIC'S BAN ON BOTTLED WATER



June 21, 2012

Niagara Catholic District School Board 427 Rice Road Welland, Ontario L3C 7C1

Dear Niagara Catholic District School Board Trustees:

I have become aware that the Niagara Catholic District School Board has decided to ban the sale of bottled water in school board facilities.

The Canadian Beverage Association and its members' would like to express our disappointment in your decision and our exclusion in the consultation process on this manner. It is our hope that CBA will be included in any future consultations regarding our members' products in your School Board's facilities.

We believe that bottled water should continue to be available for sale in your schools and facilities as it provides a portable and healthy hydration option for your students and staff.

Unfortunately, over the last few years there have been a number of claims made against the bottled water industry in Canada; these claims are more often than not based on incorrect, dated or American-based facts and figures.

As such, the Canadian Beverage Association would like to use this opportunity to provide facts on the category.

Plastic water bottles are 100% recyclable and are recycled at high rates across the country;

- Total PET non-alcoholic beverage containers account for less than 0.5% of all waste produced in Canada. The beverage industry's containers are the most recycled consumer product packaging in Canada. Furthermore, recycling programs and infrastructure are supported and run by the beverage sector in every jurisdiction in Canada.
- Industry and government data indicates that over 60% of PET water bottles are recycled in the province of Ontario, with rates as high as 70-80% in single family dwellings.

Bottled water is produced in environmentally smart and efficient ways;

- The Canadian bottled water industry works to manage water resources in a responsible way.
- According to Environment Canada, our entire industry uses just 2/100th of 1%of all annual water withdrawals in Canada
- The per capita annual consumption of bottled water in Canada equals one 3-minute shower using a standard shower head.
- It takes:^{1,2}
 - 1.3 litres to produce 1 litre of spring water (this includes the water in the bottle)
 - 35 litres of water to produce a cup of tea
 - 75 litres of water to produce a glass of beer
 - 120 litres of water to produce a glass of wine
 - 140 litres of water to produce a cup of coffee

¹Agriculture & Agri-food Canada. "The Canadian Bottled Water Industry." 25 Mar. 2009. http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-affidher.do?id=1171644581795&lang=eng-2 http://www.ifad.org/english/water/key.htm

 Our members continue to invest in new science and technology to improve water quality, production efficiencies and water conservation practices.

Bottled water does not compete with tap water,

- Research shows that bottled water does not compete against tap water rather it competes with other bottled beverages. According to Probe Research, 70% of Canadians drink tap water at home and bottled water away from home. For many, bottled water provides portability and convenience.
- We support a consumer's right to choose the beverage that meets their needs and preferences, whether that is tap or bottled water or a combination of both.
- Furthermore, water is the primary ingredient for many of the other beverages produced by our members. Therefore strong municipal water systems are as important to the Canadian beverage industry as they are to all citizens.

The Canadian Beverage Association would like to re-iterate its belief that bottled water is an important product for Canadians as it provides a convenient and healthy hydration option. However, it is our belief that the debate on bottled water should not be a question of **either** municipal tap water **or** bottled water. We think there's a place for both.

If we can help answer any questions or provide further information, please do not hesitate to contact us or visit our website at www.canadianbeverage.ca. I would be more than happy to speak to the Niagara Catholic District School Board on the matter.

The Canadian Beverage Association is the national trade association representing the broad spectrum of brands and companies that manufacture and distribute the majority of non-alcoholic liquid refreshment beverages consumed in Canada.

Sincerely

Jim Goetz President

Canadian Beverage Association jim@canadianbeverage.ca

End. Bottled Water: A Healthy Hydration Choice



Bottled Water: An excellent hydration choice

www.canadianbeverage.ca



Canadian Beverage Association

The Canadian Beverage Association and its members are proud to provide Canadians with a wide variety of beverages including bottled waters, juices, iced teas, sport drinks and soft drinks.

We believe that choice, variety and balance in everything we eat and drink are the cornerstones of a balanced diet.

Fast Fact

Our members' products are tested at the beginning and end of each production run as well as hourly during production to ensure the product exceeds all requirements.



Water and You

Staying hydrated is an important part of a balanced diet!

The human body is approximately 60% water and water is an essential nutrient that the body cannot produce. Canadians have access to an abundance of hydration choices including tap water; plain, flavoured or sparkling bottled water; juices; fruit drinks; tea; coffee; milk; soft drinks and many more. For many Canadians, bottled water is a hydration option especially when on the go because its convenience and portability facilitates consumption.

Your fluid requirements depend on your age, activity level and you body's needs. All types of fluids count toward getting your daily requirements including water obtained from food. The Dietitians of Canada recommend the following:²

Age	Fluid in litres (or cups)*					
Child 1-8 years	1.3 - 1.7 L (6 c)					
Boys, 9-18 years	2.4 - 3.3 L (10-13 c)					
Girls, 9-18 years	2.1 - 2.3 L (8-9 c)					
Adult males	3.7 L (15 c)					
Adult females	2.7 L (11 c)					
During pregnancy	3 L (12 c)					
While breast feeding	3.8 L (15 c)					

Types of bottled water

Spring Water – the most common type of bottled water. It must come from an underground drinkable source, usually an aquifer, and cannot be treated in anyway.

Mineral water – similar to spring water, as it comes from an underground source but contains a high amount of naturally occurring dissolved mineral salts. Mineral water may or may not be carbonated.

De-mineralized or re-mineralized water – comes from any source that has been treated to make the water drinkable and to remove minerals and other impurities. During the bottling process, advanced multi-stage reverse osmosis filtration systems are often used to remove any additional impurities.

In Canada, approximately 94% of the bottled water sold is spring water with the balance being mineral or de-mineralized.

Water Usage

When considering bottled water as a beverage choice, it is important to understand the facts about bottled water in Canada – the usage, production, packaging, quality, testing and regulations.

Regulations for Safety and Quality

Like all foods and beverages sold in Canada, bottled water safety and quality is regulated by Health Canada under the Food and Drugs Act and Regulations. Production facilities are subject to inspection by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, and Health Canada and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency both apply the *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality* in their monitoring of bottled water

In addition, our members' production facilities have stringent internal quality measures to ensure their products meet consumer expectations in terms of quality, safety and taste.

Setting the Record Straight

The Canadian bottled water industry works to manage water resources in a responsible way. According to Environment Canada, our entire industry uses just 2/100th of 1% of all annual water withdrawals in Canada. This amounts to approximately 50 litres per person per year or 1.6 billion litres annually.6

To put that in context, the average Canadian consumer uses over 125,000 litres of water per year, meaning that per capita bottled water consumption represents 0.04% of a person's yearly water use.6

By comparison, one of Canada's largest municipalities annually loses 54 billion litres of fresh water or 14% of its total annual supply because of leaky infrastructure. This water loss represents 30 times the amount of bottled water consumed annually by all Canadians. Environment Canada estimates nationally that up to 30% of the total water entering municipal supply-lines systems is lost to leaking pipes.⁶

Our members are continually investing in new science and technology to improve water quality, production efficiencies and water conservation practices.

Fast Fact

Per capita annual consumption of bottled water equals one 3-minute shower using a standard shower head.6



Our Packaging, Our Bottles

Our single serve bottles for water are made of a plastic called Polyethylene Terephthalate or PET. PET is used to make a variety of other products including fibre for carpeting and upholstery, and polyester for clothing.

PET is 100% recyclable. PET bottles are one of the most recycled forms of consumer packaging in Canada and, when compared to other beverage packaging choices, has the lowest environmental footprint. When recycled, a PET bottle preserves 86% of the energy used to create it.⁷

In Canada, PET beverage bottles are recycled at very high rates in programs that are run and funded by the beverage sector. The average recycling rate is over 70%, with some jurisdictions such as Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan having rates of approximately 80%.8 Through new innovations, the beverage sector is working to improve its already successful environmental track record.

Fast Fact

According to Plastics Recycling Update, the EU rate for recycling PET is approximately 48% while in Canada the rate for PET is approximately 70% and higher for beverage containers.

Did you know?

The human body is approximately 60% water. ¹

The average adult needs to consume between 2.7 and 3.7 litres of 'total water' per day.²

About 80% of our total water intake needs are met through the beverages we drink and the remainder comes from the foods we eat.3

How much water does it take?

It takes 1.3 litres of water to make 1 litre of spring water, and approximately 1.8 litres to make 1 litre of de-mineralized or re-mineralized water. These amounts include the 1 litre of water that ends up inside the bottle. ⁴

Fast Facts 4,5 Did you know that we need:

- 1.3 litres for 1 litre of spring water
- 35 litres of water for a cup of tea
- 75 litres of water for a glass of beer
- 120 litres of water for a glass of wine
- 140 litres of water for a cup of coffee

The 3 R's

Reduce:

The PET bottles used for bottled water are as much as 60% lighter than those used just a few years ago thereby reducing raw materials.9

Some of our members are using recycled PET and renewable plant based materials in their PET.

Reduced weight and renewable materials reduce the environmental impact of bottled water.

Re-use:

Many of our members use recycled PET in their bottles, some even offer a 100% recycled-PET bottle.

Recycled PET that is not used for beverage packaging is re-used to produce new packaging for other consumer goods or for polyester fibre to be used in the production of new clothes, carpets and other goods.

Our members have been actively involved in the development and implementation of the majority of recycling initiatives across the country.

Canada has an impressive recycling rate for rigid plastics and beverage containers.

Our members continue to support education and public awareness campaigns, and expanded recycling infrastructure in the away-from-home-market.

^{3.} Food and Nutrition Board, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. (2004). Dietary Reference Intakes for Water, Potassium, Sodium 4. Agriculture & Agri-food Canada. "The Canadian Bottled Water Industry." 25 Mar. 2009. https://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-affich

^{5.} http://www.fad.org/english/water/key.htm
6. Environment Canada http://www.ec.gc.ca/eau-water/default.asp?lang=En&n=F25C70EC-1
7. All energy data based and percentages represent life-cycle energy savings of producing materials using recycled inputs compared with v gin inputs as a percentage of energy requirements using virgin inputs. US EPA, *Solid Waste Management and Gi*

^{8.} http://www.sarcsarcan.ca/sarcan/environmental_impact.php, http://www.return-it.ca/ar2010/index.html, http://www.abcrc.com/ar

Myths and Facts

Myth: Plastic water bottles just end up in landfills.

Fact: Bottled water bottles are 100% recyclable and are recycled at high rates across the country. Total PET non-alcoholic beverage containers account for less than 0.5% of all waste produced in Canada. The beverage industry's containers are the most recycled consumer product packaging in Canada. Furthermore, recycling programs and infrastructure are supported by the industry and its products in every jurisdiction in Canada.

In Canada, PET beverage bottles are recycled at very high rates in programs that are run and funded by the beverage sector. The average recycling rate is over 70%, with some jurisdictions such as Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan having rates of approximately 80%. Through new innovations, the beverage sector is working to improve its already successful environmental track record.

Myth: Single use PET plastic water bottles contain BPA or other chemicals that leach into the product.

Fact: The single use plastic containers that are used by the beverage industry, including those used for bottled water, are made from PET plastic. There is no bisphenol-A in PET plastic water bottles because no bisphenol-A is used to manufacture PET plastic. All food and beverage grade packaging used in Canada must be approved by Health Canada, including PET plastic. Health Canada has reviewed the use of PET plastic and determined that it is safe to use.

Myth: Bottled water competes with municipal water systems.

Fact: Bottled water does not compete with tap water. Bottled water competes with other bottled beverages. According to Probe Research, 70% of Canadians drink tap water at home and bottled water away from home.

Tap water serves a variety of purposes in the typical Canadian household including drinking, personal hygiene, clothes and dish washing, cooking, cleaning and irrigation. Bottled water provides portability and convenience. We support a consumer's right to choose the beverage that meets their needs and preferences, whether that is tap or bottled water or a combination of both.

Furthermore, water is the primary ingredient for many of the other beverages produced by the Canadian beverage industry. Therefore strong municipal water systems are as important to the Canadian beverage industry as they are to all citizens.

Myth: Municipal water is safer than bottled water.

Fact: By law, Health Canada regulations for bottled water must be as strong and protective of public health as provincial regulations for tap water. Bottled water is regulated as a food product by Health Canada through the Food and Drugs Act.

Bottled water is regulated by Health Canada and the beverage industry's facilities are inspected by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Members test water for quality and safety before production, each hour during production and at the end of production.

The bottled water produced by the Canadian Beverage Association members meets or exceeds all Canadian requirements.



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SPOTLIGHT ON NIAGARA CATHOLIC

SEPTEMBER 11, 2012



Second Global Best Award for Niagara Catholic Recognizes Innovative Partnerships



GLOBAL BEST AWARD WINNER 2012

Director of Education, John Crocco, is Niagara Catholic has once again been internationally recognized for its continued commitment to student success as the only school board in North, South and Central America to receive the Global Best Award.

Board Chair Kathy Burtnik said Niagara Catholic's community partnership benefit students as well as the entire Niagara region.

"For many years, Niagara Catholic extremely proud to announce that has nurtured relationships with community partners through our Cooperative and Specialist High Skills Majors Programs," said Mrs. Burtnik. "It is imperative that students leave our schools prepared for life in a global, 21st century economy. Partnerships such as the ones Niagara Catholic has created with the Niagara Parks Commission, Shaw Festival, Holiday Inn Convention Centre and

many members of our manufacturing industry benefit our students by providing them with the expertise of people working in the field and the experience of working with the latest technology. It also strengthens our communities by creating a strong workforce for the future."

Mr. Crocco said Niagara Catholic's partnerships have allowed students to discover new gifts and talents as they explore new potential career paths.

"We are exceptionally proud to once again be recognized by the International education business Partnership Network and the Conference Board of Canada," said Mr. Crocco. "As educators and members of our community, we truly believe that it takes a village to raise a child. The partnerships that extend beyond the walls of our schools present enriching opportunities for our students to enhance their skills, and to explore areas that they might not otherwise have explored.

The Global Best Awards are presented biennially by the International education business Partnership Network (IPN) and the Conference Board of Canada. They recognize the outstanding and effective business, education and community partnerships that demonstrate significant impact on the communities in which they operate.

Scott Whitwell Welcomed Back to Niagara Catholic As New Manager of Facilities Services

Niagara Catholic is pleased to announce Whitwellback to Niagara Catholic. that Scott Whitwell has accepted the Board.

Applied Science, Mechanical Engineering, community will be well-served by the Whitwell has many years of experience in his day at Niagara Catholic was August 20.

Kathy Burtnik, Chair of the Niagara Facilities Services." Catholic Board of Trustees, said she is extremely pleased to welcome Mr.

"We are absolutely delighted that Scott expertise to his new position. position of Controller of Facilities Services Whitwell has accepted the position of "This is a very exciting time for Niagara with the Niagara Catholic District School Controller of Facilities Services for Niagara Catholic, as we have millions of dollars in Catholic," said Mrs. Burtnik. "Staff, capital projects under way and planned for Mr. Whitwell holds a Bachelor of students and the entire Niagara Catholic the near future," said Mr. Crocco. "Mr. from the University of Waterloo. His first experiences and dedication that Scott brings field and will be a very valued member of our to his position as our new Controller of talented and dynamic senior leadership team.

brings a wealth of knowledge and

On behalf of the Niagara Catholic family, I Niagara Catholic Director of extend a very warm welcome to Mr. Whitwell Education, John Crocco, said Mr. Whitwell as he returns to Niagara Catholic."

Niagara Catholic Welcomes Visitors from Sweden for Two-Day Visit



Niagara Catholic was delighted to host a group of 25 municipal and federal educators and politicians from Sweden, who travelled to Ontario to learn more about our education system. The Board was selected from across Ontario to showcase innovative educational programs and services and share our best practices for student success. The group took part in a meeting at the Catholic Education Centre (shown above), travelled to Saint Michael Catholic High School in Niagara Falls and visited Cardinal Newman Catholic Elementary School before touring our Specialist High Skills Major classroom at the Niagara Parks Commission's School of Horticulture. On Friday, the group visited St. Denis Catholic Elementary School in St. Catharines before travelling to Grimsby to visit St. Joseph and Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary Schools and Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School. A partnership between educators in both countries was formed.

Niagara Catholic Receives \$56,000 from Province for Parents Reaching Out

Niagara Catholic has received \$56,000 from the Ministry of Education for programs and projects in our schools and in our Board.

Approximately \$26,000 in funding was allocated by the Ministry of Education for Parents Reaching Out grants for 2012-2013.

Research shows that when parents/guardians are involved in their children's education, students benefit in both achievement and well-being. Parents Reaching Out grants are provided to Catholic School Councils, Parent Involvement Committees and Boards to help parents and guardians address the needs in their children's schools.

The \$26,000 in funding will cover programs and presentations at 29 Niagara Catholic elementary and secondary schools during the 2012-2013 academic

The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) received \$15,000 from the Ministry of Education to develop resources and a video for all families new to the Board.

Niagara Catholic has received another \$15,000 to provide a series of workshops providing tips, tools and hands-on strategies to foster reading acquisition strategies for struggling readers in Grade 1.

A complete list of the programs and events approved for Parents Reaching Out grants is available in the September 11 Agenda for the Committee of the Whole, at niagaracatholic.ca.

Are you a Niagara Catholic alumni? Stay connected through our new site, My Niagara Catholic Alumni - launching soon!

2012-2013 Policy UpdateTwenty-three Policies are in scheduled to be presented to the Board during the 2012-2013 school year.

The Assignment of Principals and Vice-Principals (201.2) and Attendance Area (301.3) were vetted from May 3 through June 20. They are expected to be brought to the Board in October.

Attendance Support Program (new), Elementary Standardized Dress Code - Safe Schools (302.6.6.1) and Employee Code of **Conduct and Ethics (new)** are currently being vetted and scheduled to be presented to the Board in November.

Two new Policies are in development: Integrated Standards and Leadership Succession Plan. They are expected to be presented to the Board in January 2013.

Sixteen Polices are being reviewed by the Policy Committee and are expected to be brought to the Board in late 2012 and early 2013. These Policies are:

Student Parenting (302.5) - November 2012 **School Generated Funds (301.6)** - November

Niagara Catholic Education Award of **Distinction (100.7)** - December 2012

Bullying Prevention & Intervention - Safe Schools (302.6.8) - January 2013

Employee Conferences, Workshops & **Meetings (201.15)** - January 2013

Employee Meal & Hospitality (201.14) -January 2013

Safe Schools (302.6) - January 2013

Transportation Inclement Weather (500.1) -January 2013

Acceleration Retention (400.5) - February

Adult and Continuing Education (400.1) -February 2013

Architect Selection (701.1) - February 2013 Death Benefit (201.5) - February 2013

Deferred Salary Plan (X/Y) (201.10) -February 2013

Student Transportation (500.2) - Date TBD

Community events and activities on the CFIVET section of niagaracatholic.ca

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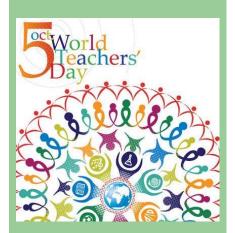
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT		
	1 National Family Week >>	2	3 SEAC Meeting	4	5 World Teachers' Day	6		
7	8 Thanksgiving	9 CW Meeting	10 World Mental Health Day International Walk to School Day	11 - NCPIC New Chairs/Co- Chairs Orientation Mtg -1st Int'l Day of the Girl Child	12 National Science & Technology Week >>	13		
14 Local Government Week >>	15	16 Trustees & Sr Staff Retreat	17 National School Safety Week >>	18 Persons Day	19	20 Father Patrick Fogarty Awards Dinner		
21	22	23 Policy Committee & Board Meetings	24	25 Faith Me	26 eets Pedagogy Co October 25-27	27 onference		
28 Pilgrimage Sunday	29	30	31 Halloween	The month of October begins Niagara Catholic's Holy Childhood Association Drive				





Niagara Catholic District School Board

Events posted at niagaracatholic.ca

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CCSTA UPDATE/NEWSLETTER



Memo

TO: Presidents/Executive Directors - Provincial Associations

CC: CCSTA Board of Directors

FROM: John Stunt, Executive Director

DATE: June 19, 2012

TOPIC: A. Toonies for Tuition Campaign

B. Update E-mail Contacts

C. Catholic Education: A National Conversation

D. Thank You

Dear Presidents/Executive Directors – Provincial Associations:

A. Toonies for Tuition Campaign

Now is the time when many boards and districts plan their annual fundraising activities for the upcoming school year. Please circulate the attached flyer to the appropriate persons in your jurisdictions. In addition to trustees, ideally the material should go to superintendents/directors, school principals and secondary school student leaders.

B. E-mail Updates

Please encourage your boards/directors to provide to the CCSTA office, in an Excel spreadsheet format, any updated to e-mail lists, e.g. new board members and directors of education.

C. Catholic Education: A National Conversation Conference

Please mark your calendars for our third Catholic Education: A National Conversation conference to be held October 3-5, 2013. Further information will be provided at a later date. Your assistance in promoting this event is greatly appreciated.

D. Thank You

As another school year draws to a close, I want to express my sincere gratitude to you for all you do in helping CCSTA communicate with its members. This is a big country, yet through your co-operation we communicate "coast to coast". Your assistance is most appreciated.

I hope the summer months will provide you some measure of rest, relaxation and enjoyment.

Kind Regards,



Thank you for helping a student attend a Catholic school!

Parents sacrifice to send their children to Catholic schools.

Many provinces do not fund Catholic schools.

Hundreds of tuition assistance applications are received by CCSTA.

Here are some of their stories.

"I am a single mother, working full-time to support my children and myself. It is a struggle and any assistance to help with tuition for my boys would be more than appreciated."

"Seeing my children in a Catholic school is one satisfaction for me because of the values, morals and attitudes."

"This is the first time we have had to ask for assistance and we feel very bad for that."

"I am trying to provide a good home, but find it difficult to pay (Catholic School) tuition fees along with keeping a roof over our head and keeping up with the bills."

"It is important to me that my children receive a Catholic education. My faith has given me strength during tough times."

"My daughter has been blessed with the teachings of Christ since her entrance into Kindergarten...it is a burden knowing that I am unable to support the school myself."

"We usually earmark funds and disburse them to needy families. The need for tuition assistance far outweighs the funds available."

> "We strongly believe in the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are thankful for our children's accomplishments."

Please promote Toonies for Tuition Day in your schools/boards

Money raised may be sent by cheque (payable to CCSTA Endowment Fund) to:

CCSTA Catholic Education Centre 570 West Hunt Club Road Nepean, Ontario, K2G 3R4

For more information, go to www.ccsta.ca

Charitable receipts will be issued for donations greater than \$25