



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF THE  
St. Michael CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 21, 2018  
St. Michael School**

Minutes of the Meeting of the St. Michael Catholic School Council, held on November 21 2018 at 6:30pm.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Brenda Ferguson.

**A. ROUTINE MATTERS**

**1. Opening Prayer**

The opening prayer was led by Mrs. Lisa Billard.

**2. Roll Call**

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/Vice-Principal Secretary/Treasurer	J. Barretto Mendonca			
Chair	B. Ferguson	ψ		
Co-Chair(s)	xx			
Teacher Representative	L. Billard	ψ		
Non-Teaching Representative	xx	ψ		
Student Representative	xx			
Parish Representative	B. Delaney/R. Folino			
Community Representative	J. Zych			X
OAPCE Representative	R. Colling			

PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERS			
Carrie Bowman	ξ		
Stacy Strickland	ξ		
Jen Visca	ξ		
Kavitha Harrington	ξ		
Megan Vanderlee	ξ		
Joanna Amodeo	ξ		
Brenda Ferguson	ξ		
Theresa Stransky	ξ		

Jennifer Olmstead	ξ		
Rosemarie Folino	ξ		
Caroline Polgrabia	ξ		
Lisa Kauzlaric		ξ	
Annalisa Medina	ξ		
Brandy Delaney	ξ		
Leslie Bell	ξ		
Annina Serluca		ξ	
Meredith Raso	ξ		

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Meredith Raso

Seconded by: Brandy Delaney

**THAT** the St. Michael Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the St. Michael Catholic School Council Meeting of October 17, 2018.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Conflict Interest**

No disclosures of conflict of interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

**5. Approval of Minutes of the St. Michael Catholic School Council Meeting of November 21, 2018**

Moved by Kristin Davies

Seconded by Meredith Raso

**THAT** St. Michael Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the St. Michael Catholic School Council Meeting of November 21, 2018 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**B. PRESENTATIONS:**

**a. School Improvement Goals**

- PPT presentation sharing how teachers and students are moving towards school goals was presented by Mrs. Mendonca

**C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK**

**a. Inclement weather policy change**

- i. If Buses are cancelled then schools will also be closed.
- ii. Board may close schools in a geographic area due to inclement weather

**b. Prevalent medical issues support – whole school approach**

**D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report - Rita Query renewal with Ontario Association Parents Education Association Commencing
2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report - Theresa Limited funding, good support from community Together we are better contest – deadline January 28, 2019
3. Photo day – people noted concerns with quality of pictures and they will be sent to the company.
4. Christmas Parade

- 3 student council members are confirmed to participate in parade
  - letter out to parents at the end of the week to confirm attendance of students in other grades
  - sub-committee meeting Tuesday to start to organize
  - financial sponsors confirmed
  - donated knit hats for kids in parade
4. Candle light Stroll – Students to volunteer to start at Court House steps and lead walk
  5. Holy Cross Winter Dreams
    - show at performing audience centre,
    - 8 students from SMC + students from other feeder schools to participate on Dec. 13
  6. Ministry of Education Provincial Survey email sent to all families and to council – please complete to make your voice heard.
  7. STREAM debrief
    - fundraiser reviews positive,
    - possible to hand out pledge forms prior to Thanksgiving weekend next year
    - Tax receipts issues have been resolved
  8. Upcoming Christmas Events
    - Advent mass Dec. 11,
    - Kindergarten Jingle Jam,
    - Christmas Shop Dec 17-19volunteers needed
      - Funds raised to a needy NCDSB school
    - Christmas Family fun Night - Dec 12 6pm- 7:30
      - CSC to support with Photo Booth
      - hat and mitts donations tree

**Upcoming Events:**

- Kids Helping Kids Feb 11-14 2019
- Scholastic Book Fair Feb 2019
- Literacy day – Jan 25 2019- dress up as favourite book character
- Holy Cross Open House – grade 8 day – positive feedback- grade 8’s can wear t-shirt

**Treasurer’s Report:**

- \$25 000 dollars available.
- Outstanding expense of \$12 000 for purchase of 2 SMART boards. (Library & Gr 7 clsm)
- Chromebook key replacement

**E. OAPCE REPORTS**

**F. STAFF REPORTS**

- Winter clothing drive – items delivered to Out of the Cold
- We Scare Hunger – food collected to Newark neighbours

**G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

- a. Survey reviewed to send to SMC community to gauge interest in adult community building events:
  - i. Golf tournament
  - ii. Trivia night

**H. NEXT MEETING –**

- a. December 19 Christmas Social
- b. January 23 next year

**I. CLOSING PRAYER** was led by Lisa Billard

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Leslie Bell

Seconded by Kavitha Harrington

**THAT** the November 21 2018 meeting of the St. Michael Catholic School Council be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm