



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF THE
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
December 6, 2022
School Library**

Minutes of the Meeting of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council, held on Oct 18 at 6:00 pm.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 Principal, Susy Walsh

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Alyssa Poulin

2. Roll Call: Quorum has not been met. Therefore some items on the agenda will be tabled for the next meeting.

| CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP | | Present | Excused | Absent |
|---|--------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Principal/Vice-Principal Secretary/Treasurer | Susy Walsh | X | | |
| Chair | Mandy Poulin | X | | |
| Co-Chair(s) | Vicki Kranidis | X | | |
| Teacher Representative | Andrea Perry | | | |
| Non-Teaching Representative | Cyndi Dekker (regrets) | X | | |
| | Lisa Breen | | X | |
| Student Representative | Alyssa Poulin | X | | |
| Parish Representative | Fr. Stuart MacDonald (regrets) | | X | |
| OAPCE Representative | | | | |
| PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERS | | | | |
| Michelle Pharand | | X | | |
| Maggie Davidson (regrets) | | X | | |
| Joe Pirosko | | | | X |
| Ashley Pirosko | | | | X |
| Kelsey Willick | | X | | |
| Sarah Willick | | | | X |
| Andrea Grimwood-Zaleski | | X | | |

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Michelle Pharand and Second by Andrea Grimwood-Zaleski

THAT the St. Joseph Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting of October 18, 2022

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

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

5. Approval of Minutes of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting of October 18, 2022

Moved by Michelle Pharand and second by Kelsey Willick

THAT St. Joseph Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting of **October 18, 2022** as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. *Policies Being Vetted:*

[Student Trustees Policy 100.4](#) : The policy statement has been revised to state that, “Student Trustees represent the interest of all students of the Board, promoting a student- focused voice to support Catholic Education, equity, student achievement and well-being.” The section on eligibility has been revised that all student nominees, “ be actively supportive of the distinctive character, philosophy, and goals of Catholic Education, respect the faith and traditions of the Catholic Church, and support the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board. The other qualifications are: full-time senior student in good standing for the duration of their term ; member of Secondary Student Senate ; parental permission if under the age of 18 ; written letter of endorsement from the principal of their Catholic Secondary school ; conduct themselves in accordance with the Mission, Vision and Values and Policies and Administrative Operational Procedures of the Board The terms of office have been updated for the two Student Trustees. The section of disqualification from serving as a Student Trustee will be deleted from the Policy and relocated to the Administrative Operational Procedures.

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by December 21, 2022 - 12:00 p.m.

Chair’s Report

Fundraising

1. Spirit Wear and discussion/decision was tabled until the next Catholic School Council Meeting.
2. Fundraising: Letter required by Krispy Kreme, noting what the money raised is for- was signed by M. Poulin and V. Kranidis. Initial number of donuts were committed to (300) was raised to 350. In addition, an opportunity for a Pasta

Dinner at the Italian Hall in Fort Erie, partnered with the Fire Department. Time sensitive and M. Poulin will look at dates available. Profits are shared and parent volunteers are required.

C. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report : M. Poulin

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report : S. Walsh

Advent Mass: Students from kinder to grade 8 will be celebrating mass at St. Joseph on December 16th at 9:30am. Families are welcome to attend.

Food Days: Supporting Reds, Scuttlebutts and Papa's Pizza.

Christmas Food Drive: Tradition returns - points collected by individual classes. Details can be found in the December Newsletter.

Family Christmas Cheer Events: Each grade will be performing a mini concert followed by a parent activity in the gym.

Yearend Trips: Supported by Saint Joseph's Parent Advisory Funding Committee:
Intermediates: Camp Medeba/ Grades 4 to 6: Medieval Times (tentative): Primary/Kinder:

Book Fair: Ms. Wilson will schedule a book fair for May (Catholic Education Week).

We are on INSTA: Follow us @ stjosephprotectors

Niagara Nutrition Partners: Family donations thus far: **\$1074!**

D. PARISH/COMMUNITY REPORTS

Fort Erie Fire Department: Fire Department visited our grade 5 /6 students to discuss the 12 days of holiday safety. Students drew pictures and were featured on the Fort Erie Fire Department. Students received a pizza party as a thank you hosted by the Fort Erie Fire Department.

Ridgeway Lions Club: Congratulations to our Peace Poster winners! 1st Place: Alyssa P. and 2nd Place: Lucas N.

E. STAFF REPORTS

Catholic Graduate Expectations Monthly Focus: November is I Am A Believer / December is I Have A Voice. Each class will focus on each expectation and complete a variety of activities.

Advent Liturgies: Being created and led by our intermediate students.

Joy Day: December 2nd was JOY Day! Doors were decorated and students wore their festive red and green clothes.

Intermediate ‘Teachers’: As a follow-up to the great pumpkin smash, our intermediate student built bridges and tested them in front of the students in the gym.

F. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

G. NEXT MEETING

February 7th, 2023

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Michelle Pharand and second by Mandy Poulin

THAT the October 18th meeting of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

I. CLOSING PRAYER was led by Susy Walsh