



ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 26, 2024 - 6:00 pm

Library

Minutes of the Meeting of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council, held on November 26, 2024 at 6:00pm. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Co-chairs

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Land Acknowledgement and Opening Prayer led by L. DellaSmira
2. Roll Call -Giannina McAuley, Cartney Hansen, Kelsie Pietz, Ashley Jones, Carly Corinthos, Danielle Fauvelle, Elizabeth McDonald, P Humphries

St. Andrew Catholic School Council Members 2024-2025 School Year			
		Present	Sent Regrets
Principal	M. Ruggi Dietsch	X	
Chair			
Co-Chairs			
Teacher Representative	L. DellaSmirra	X	
Non-Teaching Representative	P. Humphries		X
Student Representative			
Parish Representative			
Community Representative			
OAPCE Representative			
Parent/ Guardian Members			

Kelsie Pietz	X	
Ashley Jones	X	
Giannina McAuley	X	
Courtney Hansen	X	
Danielle Fauvelle		X
Carly Corinthos		X
Elizabeth McDonald	X virtual	

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Giannina

Seconded by Courtney

THAT the St. Andrew Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council Meeting of November 26, 2024

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest -none

No disclosures of conflict of interest were declared with any items on the agenda. (If Disclosure of Conflict of Interest is declared please record)

5. Approval of Minutes of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council Meeting of September 24, 2024

Moved by Giannina

Seconded by Courtney

THAT St. Andrew Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council Meeting of September 24, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Co-Chairs would like to discuss Parent Involvement Progrant that is available- \$1000.00

We have booked Jon Hansen - December 3, 2024

- Motivational speaker will be speaking at the Lead out Loud Conference

Students will:

- learn techniques to reframe limiting thoughts and beliefs, enabling them to embrace a growth mindset
- Gain a deeper understanding of the power of self-talk and how it impacts their mindset and behaviour.

- Understand why comparisons rob you and your progress and how to break free from them once and for all
- Leave with a renewed sense of confidence and inspiration, armed with everyday tools and strategies to rediscover and unleash their own unique greatness

BIG BOX Fundraiser: February

All our boxes sell for \$35 and the profit is \$11 per box so your cost on the final invoice is \$24 including tax and delivery, we have no additional costs or fees of any kind and no minimum order.

Shareable Product Video and Card Photo link

This video link will go home in an email from the school along with the Parent letter and the Order form on the day the campaign launches. It will allow not only the Parents to see how nice the product is but should also be shared with their friends, family and co-workers in order to secure sales. In addition, we are including a link for the parents to use and share that shows all of the individual cards from both boxes close up and personal

Product Video - <https://youtu.be/C96yHSZdDys>

Holiday Box Video - <https://streamable.com/6eplgo>

Kids Birthday Box Video - <https://youtu.be/x3pifBtXfXU>

Closer look at all of our boxes - <https://www.bigboxfundraising.com/collections/frontpage>

The following prizes will be provided by us.

- **Pizza party top selling class if the school sells 75 boxes or more.**
- **4 X \$25 gift cards top retailers if the school sells 150 boxes or more.**
- **An 8 inch Samsung tablet “A” if the school sells over 400 boxes in total**

***If there are agenda items they will need to be brought forth to Mrs.Ruggi Dietsch two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting.

C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK

The following Governance Policies are currently being reviewed as part of the [Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy \(100.5\)](#) review process.

- The stakeholder's name
- The stakeholder's address and phone number
- The stakeholder's connection to Niagara Catholic

When vetting closes, the Director and Senior Staff review all feedback. They provide a summary of comments and suggested changes to the Committee of the Whole for consideration and recommendation. Once approved by the Committee of the Whole, the policy is forwarded to the Board for final approval.

The following Governance policies are currently being reviewed as part of the Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5) review process.

- [Trustee Code of Conduct Policy 100.12](#)
- [Trustee Electronic Meetings \(Board and Committees\) Policy 100.8](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by 12:00 pm December 19, 2024

D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Report
2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report
3. Catholic School Council Financial Report

- Spirit Wear- Big Bear- available online throughout the school year- Many have been purchasing
- Hot Lunch Days-

Pizza - 3 Pizza Days - \$625 profit

Pasta- 3 Pasta Days - \$1100 profit

Pierogi Day- 1 Day - \$397 profit

Halloween Dance a Thon- \$ 3620.80 - \$300.57 (expenses) = \$3320.23 profit

Purchased 20 new Chromebooks from School Generated Funds - \$7100.00 excluding tax-technology is getting old, not being able to be fixed, from Gr 5-8 we have 1:1 for students, no textbooks to students so we need additional technology, programs are online, looking to purchase another 20 to add to our inventory to Primary division, math tools/programs are digital

Looking to purchase chairs for the gym

- Painting started - front hall and Grade 8 Hall of Fame area
- Parent conferences went well -198 booked an appointment online
- Whole School Mass - November 28, 2024 School Mass- 9:45 to celebrate The Feast of St. Andrew
- School Wide Soup Day- Monday, December 2- no expense for students
- November 28, 2024- Plaid Shirt Day
- Grade 7 Immunizations- Oct. 23 was first dose April 25th Second Dose
- Lead Out Loud Conference- Tomorrow - 2 Student Council Reps
- December 2- Soup Day for all staff and students
- December 2 - Kinder students PAC
- December 3 - Jon Hansen in Gym Grade 5-8 - 9:45
- December 4- Grade 5- 8 Shaw
- December 5 - Elf- Grade 3
- December 6 - Christmas cards for Homeless
- December 6 - Into the Woods
- December 13- Chaplaincy Visit #2
- December 13- Grade 1 & 2 Road Show - Notre Dame
- December 13- Christmas Sweater Day
- December 13- Pasta Day
- December 18 - Kinder Performance in the gym
- December 18 - Rosary Apostolate
- December 19- Christmas at St. Andrew - Joy Day -Hot Chocolate and McNabb cookies
- December 20 - Whole School Mass
- December 20- Dress Festive
- Next CSC meeting - Tuesday, February 18, 2024

E. OAPCE REPORT

F. STAFF REPORT

- Intermediate volleyball ends Thursday
- Practicing triple ball December 10
- Choir has started
- PALs twice weekly at lunch
- Journeys retreat for our Grade 8 students was Nov. 5 and also attended a Football Game
- Empower reading (two sessions)
- Lexia reading
- Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week last week
- Remembrance Day service in gym
- Notre Dame Visits for Grade 8 students
- Welland Public Library time capsule entries were submitted last week
- Participation in Christmas Card Art Contest
- Angel tree donations (pick a tag from the tree)

G. PARISH REPORT/COMMUNITY REPORT

- Children's Liturgy- 11:00 AM on Sunday
- Grade 2 First Communion - Sunday, May 4, 2025
- Grade 8 Confirmation Parent Meeting held - Inscription Mass Sunday, January 19, 2025, Sunday, April 6, 2025 Confirmation
- Family Luncheon - 16 families attended

H. AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

***Spring Dance**

***Big Box - whenever possible**

I. NEXT MEETING- Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 6:00 pm

I. CLOSING PRAYER - Mrs. DellaSmirra

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Courtney

Seconded by Gianina

THAT the November 26 meeting of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council be adjourned. **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm