



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, in the Father Kenneth Burns c.s.c. Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Huibers.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. **Land Recognition**

Land Recognition statement was delivered by Student Trustee Zylstra

2. **Opening Prayer**

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Prince

3. **Roll Call**

Chair Huibers noted that Trustees Moody and Fera joined electronically.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Frank Fera		✓		
Larry Huibers	✓			
Daniel Moody		✓		
Leanne Prince	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Paul Turner	✓			
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
Sydney Yott	✓			
Steffen Zylstra	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

**Camillo Cipriano**, Director of Education; **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Kimberly Kinney**, **Gino Pizzoferrato**, Superintendents of Education; **Domenic Massi**, **Joseph Zaroda**, Associate Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Clark Euale**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services

4. **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of November 23, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED**

5. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

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

6. **Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of October 26, 2021**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Turner

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of October 26, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED**

7. **Consent Agenda Items**

7.1 **Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 9, 2021 and Consideration of Recommendations**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of November 9, 2021, as presented.

7.1.1 **Naming Request – Catholic Education Centre Chapel**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Naming Request – Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel at the Catholic Education Centre, as presented.

7.2 **Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of November 9, 2021 and Consideration of Recommendations**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of November 9, 2021, as presented.

7.2.1 **Trustee Expenses and Reimbursement Policy (100.13)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Trustee Expenses and Reimbursement Policy (100.13), as presented.

**7.3 Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of October 6, 2021**

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of October 6, 2021, as presented.

**7.4 Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) of September 9, 2021**

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of September 9, 2021, as presented for information

**7.5 In-Camera Items F1, F2, F4, F5, F6, F7 & F10.1**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board adopt the consent agenda items.

**CARRIED**

**B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Indigenous Education – Board Action Plan 2021-2022**

Joseph Zaroda, Associate Superintendent of Education provided background information on Indigenous Education and introduced the Indigenous Team, Brian Kon, Indigenous Lead, Marco Magazzeni, Coordinator Alternative Education Experiential Learning and Partnerships, Nicole Pigeau, Indigenous Consultant and Marie bowering, Indigenous Graduation Coad K-12.

Mr. Kon and Mr. Magazzeni presented the Indigenous Education – Board Action Plan 2021-2022 for Trustee information.

Associate Superintendent Zaroda and the Indigenous Team answered questions of Trustees.

**2. Board Meeting Efficiencies**

Director Cipriano presented the Board Meeting Efficiencies report.

Discussion took place.

Director Cipriano answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Burtnik  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board direct this report to the Policy Committee for discussion and possible recommendations.

**CARRIED**

**3. Multi-Year Strategic Plan (Mission, Vision, Values Statements)**

Director Cipriano presented the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (Mission, Vision, Values Statements) report.

Trustee Burtnik and Chair Huibers shared appreciation to all the voices that contributed the Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

Moved by Trustee Burtnik  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Vision, Mission, Values Statements and Strategic Directions for the school years 2021-2022 until 2025-2026, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School Community Gardens**

Camillo Cipriano presented the Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School Community Gardens report.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Turner

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board endorse this venture.

**CARRIED**

**5. Financial Reports as at October 31, 2021**

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Financial Report for information.

Superintendent Vetrone and Director Cipriano answered questions of Trustees.

**D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Correspondence**

Director Cipriano presented Trustees with a copy of OCSTA's *Together in Faith – Care for Our Common Home – A Collection of School Board Practices*.

**2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended**

Student Trustee Yott highlighted the OSTA-AECO Fall General Meeting held on November 4-7, 2021.

Trustee Prince reminded Trustees to submit their survey for CCSTA's June AGM.

**3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action**

Director Cipriano noted that with the approval of the Ffizer Vaccine for children ages 5-12, Niagara Catholic will be working with the Niagara Region of Health should they need our Secondary schools. Director Cipriano also noted that parental consent will be required to administer the vaccine.

**4. Trustee Information**

**4.1 Calendar of Events – December 2021**

Director Cipriano highlighted the December 2021 calendar of events.

**4.2 Annual Faith Formation & Luncheon for Priests, Trustees, Principals, Vice-Principals, Administrators and Chaplaincy Leaders – December 9, 2021**

Director Cipriano extended an invitation to the Annual Faith Formation and asked Trustees to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano.

**5. Open Question Period**

None Submitted

**E. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1. NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMISSION**

None Submitted

**2. NOTICE OF MOTION PRESENTATION**

None Presented

**F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 8:19 p.m. and reconvened at 8:53 p.m.

**G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of November 23, 2021.

**CARRIED**

**SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 October 26, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 November 9, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F2)**

## **SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 October 26, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F4)**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 November 9, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F5)**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F11.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item F11.1)**

## **H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

## **I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE**

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the November 23, 2021 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **November 23, 2021**.

Approved on **December 21, 2021**.

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Larry Huibers  
Chair of the Board

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Camillo Cipriano  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer