



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA
ST. VINCENT de PAUL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

September 20, 2022
5:00 pm – School Library

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer – **Mrs. Salvo-Teutenberg**
2. Roll Call –
3. Minutes – **Mrs. Salvo-Teutenberg**

Catholic School Council Membership		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/Secretary/Treasurer	John Romano	√		
Chair				
Teacher Representatives	Silvana Orsini	√		
	Sandra Salvo-Teutenberg	√		
Non-Teaching Representative	Kristina Zahn	√		
Parish Representative				
Community Representative				
Parent/Guardian Members	Linda Rosano	√		
	Vicki Hantziagelis	√		
	Alexandria Attree	√		
	Amanda Holmes	√		
	Amy Spadafora	√		
	Brett Wales	√		
	Roxanne Lyachovics	√		
	Frances Conidi-Martin	√		
	Barb Lambert	√		

4. Disclosure of Interest – **None**
5. Approval of the Agenda – Moved by: **A. Attree** Seconded by: **B. Lambert**
6. Role of Catholic School Council –
Reviewed with parents. CSC By-laws emailed to council members. A hard copy was also distributed at the meeting.
7. Election of Chair and/or Co-Chair – **Mrs. Rosano was nominated for Chair. Moved by: A. Attree, Seconded by: V. Hantziagelis**

B. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Policy Vetting and Review – To view policies, [click here](#).
- a) *Records and Information Management Policy (600.2)*
- b) *Privacy Policy (600.6)*
Feedback to Anna Pisano or Mr. Romano by 12:00 p.m. on October 27, 2022.
- Catholic School Council Financial Report – Presently, there is \$1,092.09 in the Catholic School Council Food Days Account. Usually the money raised by CSC is earmarked for something specific.
- The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report – Usually they have meetings every couple of months. Nov. 3, Jan. 12 and Mar. 2. There are two positions available. Nominations closed October 7. Attn: Yvonne Anderson by then.
- Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report – They meet every couple of months to discuss students with special needs. The next meetings are on October 5th and Dec. 7th.
- Meet and Greet – (September 27) – An email went out to all parents. Knights of Columbus will be BBQing. If you would like to purchase food, it is on School Cash Online. WE will be in the back yard and gymnasium from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. From 6:30 to 7:00 each parent can visit their child's classroom. A teacher may have a slideshow or handout.
- Rowan's Law (September 28) – We take concussions seriously. If your child hurts their head, you will receive paperwork. We either suspect a concussion or we do not. There is always follow-up with parents.
- School Improvement Team – Every year, a group of staff members meet on a regular basis to discuss goals for the school. We have discussed the Math UP resource. It is a math program purchased by the board that involves collaboration and higher level thinking question. It will not be the only resource for teachers, but it will be a main one. Haggerty resource from Kindergarten to Grade 2 is always being used for literacy. Empower is a reading program that will be starting this year. Some students will be identified. Lexia will continue to be rolled out. Gospel Mondays – Sometimes it is difficult to get to Church or hear the Gospel at Church. All staff will be sharing the gospel with their students on Monday.
- School Organization – Mr. Romano reviewed the school organization of St. Vincent de Paul.
- Niagara Nutrition Partners – The demographics of St. Vincent de Paul has changed over the years and some students needs snacks. They will give us a certain amount to access throughout the year. We are going to start a snack program. We will have fruit, cheese strings, granola bars. We will establish a bin system. The bins will be accessible every day to every student.
- Confirmation Dates – April 25, 26, 27 @ 7:00 p.m. – At Our Lady of the Scapular Church. St. Vincent de Paul will be on one of the above dates. This will be communicated to parents closer to the date.
- First Holy Communion Dates: May 7, 21, 28 @ 2:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul will be on one of the above dates. This will be communicated to parents closer to the date.

- Mini Retreats – **New this year, our chaplaincy leaders will be coming into the school, there will be embedded Professional Development during this time. This will start in October.**
 - Picture Day (October 5) – Retakes (November 9)
 - Technology – **All technology has been distributed for Grades 1 to 8.**
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- Alternate Lunches – **Swiss Chalet and Subway on Tuesdays. If parents have any input or suggestions, please email Mrs. Rosano. Pizza days will continue every Thursday.**
 - Halloween – **Some chose costumes, some chose costumes. More information to follow. Please do not send in any treats in accordance to our nutrition policy.**

C. CHAIR'S REPORT –

- Reports from June - **nothing to report.**
- Meeting Dates: **November 9 @ 5:30. February 8th @ 5:30, April 5 @ 5:30, May 10th @ 5:30**
- CSC News: **If you have anything to add for the CSC Corner of our Newsletter, please email Mrs. Rosano.**
- Committee Sign-Up: **Email Mr. Romano if you are interested in chairing a committee.**
 - Spirituality Committee (opening prayers before meetings, provide parish reports at CSC meetings, Gifts for students receiving sacraments, celebrations, etc.).*
 - Fundraising Committee (assisting with fundraising activities throughout the school year, organizing year end Family Fun Fair, BBQ, Trivia Nights, Raffles, etc).*
 - Lunch/Alternate Food Days Committee: assisting with lunch programs, Shrove Tuesday, Play Day food day,*
 - Graduation Committee (assisting with Grade 8 prayer service, dinner, decorations, dance, etc.)*
 - Beautification Committee (assisting with the curbside appeal of the exterior of St. Vincent de Paul, working with staff/ECO club, etc.).*

D. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report – **No report**

E. Special Education Advisory (SEAC) Report – **No report**

F. Ontario Association For Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) Report – **No report**

G. STAFF REPORT – Ms. Orsini, Mrs. Teutenberg, Mrs. Zahn

- Journey Retreat – **On Monday, the grade 8s went on a Journey Retreat at St. Alfred's Parish. Students got to work and pray together.**
- Muskoka Woods - **Meeting Thursday at St. Paul at 6:30.**
- Terry Fox – **Walk is this Friday, Sept. 22. Ms. Cullen, Mrs. Sottile and Mme. Lennox are running it. We will start with a liturgy in the gym and then have a walk. It will start at 12:30 p.m. Donations can be made online.**
- Opening School Mass – **It will be at Our Lady of the Scapular on Monday September 26 at 10:00 a.m. (dependent on buses).**

- Intermediate Soccer Tournaments – (September 27/28) – They will play on the turf at St. Paul high school. Mrs. Reich is coaching the boys and Mr. Romano is coaching the girls.
- Orange Shirt Day – September 30 – There are NCVLE resources available to the staff. WE will answer the questions in an age appropriate manner.
- Thanksgiving Food Drive – Our school has always been generous. We will start something differing this year. There is a new organization called Grow FLC (Food Literacy Centre). They collect canned goods and pantry items. They take all that and set up a grocery store. They are paying for it and they can choose what they want.

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –

- Dress Down Days – Generally will be the last day of the month. There will be spirit days in addition to dress down days.
- DEAR – Drop everything and read – 20 minutes after lunch. Every class does silent reading during that time. Teacher will be doing assessments including PM Benchmarks, DRA, Observation Surveys, conferencing during this time.
- Milk days – It has been done in the past. Mr. Romano can send out a google form to see the interest.

G. NEXT MEETING – November 9th, 2022 @ 5:30

H. ADJOURNMENT – 5:56 p.m.

I. CLOSING PRAYER – Mr. Romano