



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

## AGENDA

February 8, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer –
2. Roll Call – J. Romano, L. Rosano, B. Lambert, A. Holmes, F. Condid-Martin, Mrs. Halala S. Salvo-Teutenberg,

Regrets: B. Wales, K. Zahn, A. Spadafora,

Absent: R. Attree, Mr. And Mrs. Alves

3. Approval of the Agenda – Approved by. F. Condid-Martin, Seconded by A. Holmes
4. Disclosure of Interest –

### B. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT–

1. Policy Review
  - a. Code of Conduct Policy 302.6.2
  - b. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy 800.7Please submit your feedback to [anna.pisano@ncdsb.com](mailto:anna.pisano@ncdsb.com) by 12 p.m. on February 21, 2024
2. NCPIC Report – Nothing to report
3. OAPCE Report – Their annual conference will be Saturday April 13 in Toronto. More details will follow, and Mrs. Rosano will forward the information as she receives it.
4. SEAC Report - Nothing to report
5. Niagara Nutrition Partners – We have healthy snacks that are distributed on a daily basis like tangerines, apples, frozen yogurt tubes and Nutri grain bars. Every year they reach out to schools to have one fundraiser to help support this organization and to raise awareness for this program. On February 1, Food Basics had a partnership with NNP and anyone who went through Food Basics, a percentage of total grocery bills went to this program. If anyone has any ideas, please email Linda or John. NNP also accept food donations.
6. Term 1 Report Cards – Report Cards will be posted on Tuesday February 13.
7. Parent/Teacher Conferences – This is at the request of parents or teachers
8. Numeracy Digital Resources (Knowledgehook) - relatively new program that is introduced in the classroom and revolves around numeracy. Many schools were using it but not correctly. The board wants us using it as a tool during teaching for “as learning”. Teachers are creating missions to their students based on the expectations they are teaching. The program will generate a report on which questions that students are getting correct, need multiple attempts to get it correct or did not get correct. This will give teachers specific expectations to target wit the students for teaching purposes. The teacher can resubmit the mission and then students can try again.
9. Math Achievement Plan: High Impact Strategies (Math Conversations/Number Talks and Math Groupings) - Every teacher, before their lesson, will have a math talk with their students. They will work on a number string or number problem together so students can learn diverse ways to answer a question from their peers. We also are encouraging math groupings. Teachers will put their students in groups and have the students work together to solve a problem.
10. Kindergarten Open House – February 8 – This happened today. At least 25 new registrations. There will be pictures on Instagram to follow.
11. From the heART Gallery – February 8 – There were 3 students who were chosen for this event and they are on display at Seaway mall.
12. Black History Month – Month of February – We highlight different people for students to learn about the history. Fact in the morning announcements and some music showcased at the end of the day.
13. Indigenous Lacrosse – February 9 – We paid for this taking place tomorrow. Cost \$750. Students will learn the sport of Lacrosse.
14. Valentine's Day – February 13 – We are celebrating one day early since Ash Wednesday is a solemn day. It will be an out of dress code day like pink, red and white. We encourage Valentine Day cards and pencils or erasers.
15. Ash Wednesday – February 14 – Mrs. Reich's class will be leading this on Wednesday February 14 at 12:00 p.m.
16. April PA Day – April 8 – This was chosen for a solar eclipse. It is supposed to happen at a dismissal.

### C. FINANCIAL REPORT –

2756 – Hot lunches

3757 – lottery account.

We can use both funds for students.

**D. STAFF REPORT –**

1. Intermediate Boys and Intermediate Girls Basketball – They did a great job. The boys lost in the semi-finals and the girls came in 3<sup>rd</sup>
2. Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition – We had 11 students move on to the competition at the MacBain centre.
3. Mathlete Competition - We held the competition here and our team came in third.
4. Kids Helping Kids – This is happening in two weeks, the week after family day. Ms. Cullen, Ms. Sottile and Mrs. Vacca are leading this event with special event days. We are asking for \$2 per student or \$5 per family. We are also raffling a basket.
5. St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Drive – Miss. Orsini is leading this food drive. We have been assigned canned veggies and canned fruit. This will run until March Break.
6. Be a Better Human Assemblies and St. Paul Student of the Month – This takes place at the end of each month. Students that are recognized for criteria are celebrated on this day.
7. Winter Carnival (Student Council) - This is being led by our student council. They have been busy working on this with Mrs. Mascia. A play day in the wintertime.

**E. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS –**

- Beautification Committee – Mr. Wales purchased a couple of planters for the front.
- Graduation Committee – Ceremony will be at St. Vincent de Paul on June 20<sup>th</sup>. The celebration will take place at Ruth Chris. They will eat there, and they will have tokens for fun zone. They are looking at going to book a limo bus to bring the kids from here to Ruth Chris. Parents will pick up the students at 10:30. Linda is working on the food. \$50 plus tax per child. Bread, salad, stuffed chicken breasts, candy bar. They can also play mini golf, arcade games, etc. We are looking at grad fundraisers coming up. We are also working on gifts for grads like pocket prayer books and a coin. Father Daniel will be at Graduation.
- Alternate Lunch Committee – They have been going well. We need parent volunteers around 11:00 a.m. Email Linda. Mrs. Spadafora is having surgery so she will probably be out for 2 months. She usually helps for pizza days, so we need more help. Shrove Tuesday – IHOP will be donating pancakes. We need about 10 people. Be at the school around 9:30. If someone can help even for an hour it would be greatly appreciated. We have food booked until April. Thank you to Mrs. Spadafora.
- Fundraising Committee – Right now there will be a wine fundraiser to help with the school and grad. The wine fundraiser is already posted in the newsletter and calendar. It will open soon and close March 22. We are waiting for details about specific wine and a letter will go home. For March, we have a trivia night planned for adults only. There will be another subcommittee meeting to help with this event. We need to start thinking about any donations for this event. It is a 19 and older event. In April we are doing a Bingo Night at Delta Bingo. The tickets are \$25. \$10 go to the school and \$15 goes to Delta. It is open to the public. There is a two-hour window. April 17 is the date at 7:00 p.m. We are also applying for a licence for another event at Delta where it is a two-hour window, and we provide volunteer hours and they run it. May Fundraiser – Big Red. They are organized. We order through School Cash online and have the pickup at the school. June 18 will be our Fun Fair from 5-8. Things have already been booked for the event. Play day is June 11 and hot dogs will be distributed to the students.
- Spirituality Committee – OLOS Update – Holy Name Society is Hosting Pancakes and Sausages with Pie or Ice Cream from 4-8. Cost is \$8 or 2 for \$15. Eat in or take out. There will also be a 50/50 draw. The final sessions for first communion and Confirmations will be at the end of February. Father Michael will meet with students one on one if a student cannot make a session. The Vacation Bible School is back. It is being offered July 8 to 12. Kindergarten to grade 8 students. \$100 per child and parents are responsible for providing a packed lunch.

**F. AGENDA ITEMS –** email Linda any agenda items.

**G. NEXT MEETING –** Tuesday April 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

**H. ADJOURNMENT –** 6:27 p.m.

**I. CLOSING PRAYER –** J. Romano