



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF THE
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday October 25, 2022. 6:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Catholic Elementary – School Library**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council, held on Tuesday October 25th, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

- 1. Opening Prayer** – Mr. Romeo began with prayer

Roll Call– 11 people in attendance.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/ Secretary/Treasurer	Mr. J. Romeo	X		
Co-Chairs	Mrs. A. Bocchinfuso Mrs. A. Gagnon	X X		
Teacher(OECTA) Representative	Mrs. A. Maloney	X		
Support Staff (CUPE) Representative	Mrs. A. Prohaska	X		
Student Representatives	C. Maalouf A. Smith		X X	
OAPCE Representative				
PARENT REPRESENTATIVES				
Kristyn Leitch		X		
Samantha Gilson		X		
Charlyn Barrington		X		
Sarah Howard		X		
Monica Bartolini		X		
Krista Bouw				
Jessica Carter		X		

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by – **Monica Bartolini**

Seconded by – **Amanda Bocchinfuso**

THAT the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council approved the Agenda of the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council Meeting of October 25th, 2022.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest

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

4. Approval of Minutes of the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council

Moved by – Samantha Gilson

Seconded by – Kristyn Leitch

THAT the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council approved the **Minutes** of the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council Meeting of September 27th, 2022.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Sacred Heart Student Council report –

Good evening Catholic School Council Members, here at Sacred Heart we have started a student council where our two student senators Celena Maalouf and myself (Averie Smith) are co-chairs and where Mrs. Colavecchia and Mr. Romeo supervise the council. We recently held classroom elections for two representatives from each class from our Gr. 4 – Gr. classes to form our council. In total, we have twelve council members. They are Ryleigh B and Emmalyn D from Mrs. Guillon's Gr. 4 class. Ethan F and Grace M-T. from Mrs. Colavecchia's Gr. 5 class. Callum D and Katelynn J from Mrs. Roberto's % class. A.J V and myself (Averie Smith) from Mrs. Lococo's 6/7 class. Aria M and Grace S from Mrs. Maloney's 6/7 class and Celena M and Daxon L from Mr. Capacchione's Gr. 8 class.

Currently we are meeting on a regular basis to organize our school Halloween dance-a-thon, which will be taking place on the 31st of October. We are working on getting decorations, organizing playlists for each classroom, and hoping to set up a photo booth for the dance-a-thon. We are collecting pledges from students for the dance-a-thon, and for every fifteen dollars a student collects, they will get a ballot to be put into a draw to win their very own chrome book! The council and I are so excited to be able to plan all these amazing events and fundraisers.

C. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- 1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee – No Report**
- 2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report – No Report**
- 3. Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) – No Report**
- 4. Catholic School Council Financial Statement – Included in Principals Report**
- 5. Staff Report – No Report**
- 6. NCDSB Policies – Vetting**

Anonymous or pseudonymous submissions will not be considered

- [Privacy Policy \(600.6\)](#)
- [Records and Information Management Policy \(600.2\)](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by October 27, 2022 - 12:00 p.m.

- [Retirement and Service Recognition Celebration Policy \(201.2\)](#)
- [Volunteer Recognition Policy 800.4](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by November 23, 2022 - 12:00 p.m.

A copy of the following information was shared by Mr. Romeo

Catholicity

Mass Schedule:

For the month of November, we have two masses. We will be heading to Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Tuesday November 1 for a school Mass to celebrate All Saints Day and we will be heading to Mass again on Wednesday November 2 for an All Souls Day Mass.

Sacramental Preparation:

Fr. Paul has also communicated the following Sacramental dates:

- D. First Reconciliation (Gr. 2 students) – Wednesday March 22, 2023 (taking place in school gym, students only)
- E. First Holy Communion (Gr. 2 students) – Sunday June 4, 2023 (taking place at Sacred Heart Church) ***tentatively*** two Mass times 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- F. Confirmation (Gr. 8 students) – Tuesday May 30, 2023 (taking place at Sacred Heart Church) Mass time 7 p.m.

Any student / family specific questions should be directed to Fr. Paul at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Student Achievement

Using Data to Drive Assessment:

During the PA Day on October 24, the staff and administration of Sacred Heart continued to work through planning our Annual School Improvement and Equity Plan that will guide our educational direction throughout this coming school year. Specifically staff took time to examine a school wide task within an area of Mathematics and begin to analyze the results from each class. This is one method of compiling data to drive our instructional focus at Sacred Heart. More analysis will take place at subsequent staff meetings and PA Day's to continue that process.

School Climate

Holy Childhood Walk:

On the afternoon of Friday October 14th we participated in our annual Holy Childhood Walk through our community. Part of the mandate of the Holy Childhood foundation is to raise funds for specific projects in Third World Countries. Examples such as in Uganda, the money will help renovate schools and construct nursery school space. In Nigeria, the money will help to build a primary school and provide fresh, clean water. You can place your donation online through SchoolCash online. A reminder that donations can still be made using School Cash Online up until November 16, 2022.

School Picture RETAKE Day:

We will be having our School RETAKE Picture day on Monday November 14, 2022. Bring your smiles!!

Fundraising Dollars at Work

The hard work of council and the support of parents has allowed for investment to be made and fundraising goals to be realized as we have started to replace some of the aging classroom technology. A recent purchase of three SmartTV's was made. These three TV's will be replacing aging Smartboards that have, in so many ways, outlived their life expectancy and their intended use as the technology presently being used has past them by.

Hallowe'en:

We are happy to let you know that the students are welcome to wear their costumes to school on Monday, October 31st. As has been the case every year, costumes that are intended to scare or have blood or weapons are not allowed. Also, for our younger students please ensure that their costumes are not so intricate that they will require assistance to get in and out of them to use the bathroom. Student council will be planning a Halloween dance-a-thon for each class/grade to attend. Student Council are hard at work devising a schedule and song playlist for the day. We look forward to our student leaders stepping up and helping to organize a great day for all! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school and speak to Mr. Romeo

Questions came up regarding a Halloween Parade possibly around the path.

Possibly Kindergarten and Primary in mid afternoon.

Mr. Romeo will follow up.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. By-laws/Policy – Posted on School website
2. Community Outreach –
3. Fundraising –
 - Purse Bingo (Nov 4, 2022)
 - A pic of the Grand Prize was displayed on the Smartboard
 - Co-chair Amanda Bocchinfuco discussed details on how the purse bingo will run.
 - Donations came from donors to purchase the purses.
 - Tickets were sold out in 20 minutes
 - The Hall will allow to set up Thursday night to set up and Friday after purse Bingo need to clean up.
Things left to purchase is the liquor order and 20 pizza trays- a tray per table.
Food Land gave gift card used to purchase chips and munchies on the table.
Food land will allow school to bring back what we don't sell at the Purse Bingo.
Inventory will be taken at the end of the night-keeping tally of ticket sales.
- Halloween Dance-a-thon
- Wine Fundraiser – Fielding Estate
4. Graduation –
Set for Thurs. June 22, 2023. Location:
 1. *St. Michael Catholic High School Theatre for the Awards Ceremony and Presentation of Diplomas.*
 2. *Dinner to follow, location TBD*
 3. *Sub Committee for Graduation preparation will start in early 2023 (Jan/Feb) Looking for CSC representation*
5. Hot lunches/milk – *Milk: Oct – Dec, Jan – March, April – June
Parents enjoy the way it is running now at Sacred Heart
Mr. Romeo indicated to let school know if your child is away so that they their child can get it the next day.*
6. Safe Schools – *Spirit Wear – Front Row Sports, Orders received started going home today*
7. School Nutrition Action Council (SNAC) –
 - *Breakfast Club operating Tues – Thurs each week- very well received- running extremely well!!!!*
 - *Snack bins delivered to classrooms daily: Mrs. P. delivers in the morning and is well received as well.*

E. PREVIOUS BUSINESS –

- "Purse Bingo" Friday Nov. 4, 2022.
- Hallowe'en at Sacred Heart Catholic

F. NEW BUSINESS

- Fielding Estate Winery Fundraiser
- Discussion surrounded around whether this might be too much fundraising- (asking of the community). Consensus was that it would be alright to do this fundraiser- not asking of too much from the community
- Discussion around having parents in the school and helping out before Christmas: Gingerbread house night

G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS -

H. NEXT MEETING – November 29th, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by – Charlyn Barrington

Seconded by – Sarah Howard

THAT the meeting of the Sacred Heart Catholic School Council be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at **6:41** pm

CLOSING PRAYER