



**Meeting Minutes
ALEXANDER KUSKA K.S.G. CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**Date: September 24, 2019.
Location: Alexander Kuska (Library)
6:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Carrie Vernelli.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Mr. Arghittu

2. Roll Call

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal	Carlo Arghittu,	X		
Vice-Principal	Dwane Smolders	X		
Secretary/Treasurer				
Chair	Carrie Vernelli	X		
Co-Chair		X		
Community Rep.				
Special Needs Rep.				
Teacher Representative	E. Gallo	X		
Non-Teaching Representative				
Student Representative	n/a			
Parish Representative	Jennifer Nolet	X		
OAPCE Representative				
PARENT REPRESENTATIVES				
Monique Mastroianni			X	
Sara Ivicic		X		
Brenda Taylor		X		
Cheril Bevacqua		X		
Debbie Lafleur		X		
Stephanie Moschella		X		
Rachel Falvo		X		

Jennifer Nolet	X		
Lisa Bouchard	X		
Tina Goupil	X		
Robyn Gushue	X		
Alu McCabe	X		
Ashley Steele-Durk	X		
Martha Barnes		X	
Belinda Ravazzolo		X	

3. Approval of the Agenda

- **THAT** the Alexander Kuska Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the Alexander Kuska Catholic School Council Meeting of **September 24, 2019**.
- Moved by Brenda, seconded by Sara.
- **CARRIED**

4. Disclosure of Interest

- No disclosure of interest were declared.

5. Approval of Minutes

- **THAT** the Alexander Kuska Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the Alexander Kuska Catholic School Council Meeting of March 4, 2019 as presented.
- Moved by Rachel, seconded Carrie
- **CARRIED**

B. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Opening Remarks - Members introduced themselves to the group.
2. Role of Council - Quorum is necessary for any motions to be passed. Based on the roles discussed tonight, that number will be 6 going forward. This is an advisory council for the administration of the school.
3. Subcommittees - Discussed the role of the sub committees and what they are. Sub committees meet outside of the Catholic School Council to discuss their business and then present a summary at the Catholic School Council. No new business of these sub committees will be discussed at the Catholic School Council.
 - a. Graduation - Discussion had. Will contact Ms. Mastroianni to discuss her possible position as chair
 - b. Spirituality - Carrie Vernelli Chair
 - c. Fundraising - Rachel and Alu McCabe Co-Chairs
 - d. Alternate Lunches - Carrie Vernelli and Ashley Steeles-Dirk Co-Chairs
 - e. Parish Liaison - Jennifer Nolet and Tina Goupil Co-Chairs
 - f. Eco - School Grounds - Sara Ivicic and Robyn Gushue Co-Chairs
4. Nominations for Chair - Brenda Taylor and Carrie Vernelli acclaimed as Co-Chairs

C. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Transition to the new school year- French immersion students have entered into the Alexander Kuska community. New staff members have transitioned well.
2. Co-Curricular activities - Soccer and Cross Country are underway. The soccer tournament is on Thursday, September 26, 2019. Cross Country will take place on Thursday, October 3, 2019.

WE Day committee had a successful day at the ScotiaBank Arena in Toronto on Thursday, September 19, 2019. Student Council has been elected for the year and their first meeting has taken place.

Policy Vetting

The following Policies and Administrative Guidelines are currently being reviewed as part of the cyclical Policy and Administrative Guidelines Review process.

To be considered, all submissions must identify the specific policy and include your name, phone number, address and affiliation with Niagara Catholic.

- [Employee Meals and Hospitality Policy \(201.14\)](#)
- [Employee Conferences, Workshops and Meetings Policy \(201.15\)](#)
- [Opening or Closing Exercises – Safe Schools Policy \(302.6.1\)](#)
- [Acceleration/Retention \(Elementary\) Policy \(400.5\)](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Jennifer Pellegrini](#) by **October 4, 2019**

D. STAFF REPORTS;

- a. None

E. PARISH REPORT;

- a. Grade 8 Confirmation Retreat - Wednesday, September 25, 2019
- b. Rosary Distribution - Grade 3 Rosary Distribution Sunday September 29, 2019
- c. Bible Distribution - Grade 4 Bible Distribution - Sunday, October 13, 2019
- d. St. Kevin's Autumn Walk- October 20, 2019

F. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS;

G. New Business

- a. Possible vegetarian option for pizza, as well as order only a few months in advance rather than for the whole year.

H. NEXT MEETINGS;

October 29, 2019

All meetings at 6:00 p.m. in the Alexander Kuska K.S.G. Catholic Elementary school information centre

I. ADJOURNMENT

- **THAT** the September 24, 2019 meeting of the Alexander Kuska K.S.G. Catholic School Council be adjourned.
- Moved by Rachel
- Seconded by Alu
- **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

J. CLOSING PRAYER was led by C. Arhittu

THANK YOU TO EACH ONE OF YOU FOR YOUR TIME, PASSION AND DEDICATION TO OUR ALEXANDER KUSKA K.S.G CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY FAMILY...YOU TRULY MAKE A DIFFERENCE!