



**St. Patrick Catholic School Council**  
**Tuesday, November 25, 2020**  
**Minutes - Virtual – 6:00 pm**



1. Prayer

- Mr. Venzon led in a prayer on Flexibility

2. Role Call

<b>CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP</b>		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal	Mr. Venzon	X		
Chair	Mrs. Loeffen	X		
Co-Chair(s)	Mrs. Gross	X		
Teacher Representative	Mrs. Gillespie	X		
Community Representative	Mr. Capercione		X	
OAPCE Representative				
<b>PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERS</b>				
Mrs. Alexander		X		
Mrs. Maltman			X	
Mrs. Maloney			X	
Mrs. Tyminski			X	
Mrs. Zlomislic			X	

Ms. Honsberger	X		
Mrs. Sibbald		X	
Ms. Eckert		X	

1. Chair Report

- i) Fundraising Update: Going to look at doing something after Christmas. A February calendar. Ask families if they would like to donate a gift card then do up a calendar where there is a daily draw and daily winner for gift card each day.

1. Principal's Report

- i) Policies for vetting - [At the Board Meeting of Tuesday, November 24, 2020, several Governance policies were approved by the Board and are in effect as of November 24, 2020.](#) These Governance Policies and Administrative Operational Procedures have been posted on the Board website under their designated tabs.
- ii) Early Progress Report Interview Process - Now available on the parent portal. If you have had any difficulties accessing them or know anyone who has please let us know. Interviews are taking place this week and next week.
- iii) Christmas - The Nativity Story (Permission...) Each class is going to act out part of the nativity scene and film it and we will post it on the classrooms google classroom for parents to see. Please make sure you have sent in your child's "permission" form in order for them to be photographed, videotaped, etc.
- iv) Christmas Toy Drive - Toys to Port Colborne Fire Hall until Dec. 15th
- v) New Technology Purchases ...20 Chromebooks (about \$7000) and new Smartboard in Gr. 1 /2 (about \$5000) Pretty good shape with tech. Classrooms now have their own class sets (3 classes) and other classes can still share carts with chromebooks. All chromebooks are sanitized and wiped down in between each use.
- vi) School Improvement - MathUp School (moving on to multiplicative), MathUp Classroom, Dreambox (grade ½ and grade ⅔), Mathology, Raz Reading, Morning Literacy Program, Literacy Intervention tasks
- i) Covid-19 Safety protocols and procedures (if you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Mr. Venzon).

- It is a challenge for kids to stay apart from their friends but we are constantly providing reminders for kids to do so. They are very good at remaining in their own cohorts and separate from other cohorts.
  - We started using lockers. We are using every other locker going top, bottom, top, bottom. We are putting a plan together to be ready for snow, and boots, snow pants, hats and mitts, as they are all big, bulky and wet. Indoor shoes are welcome. There will be a carpet for boots or locker available.
- ii) NCPIC: memberships are available on board website or in December newsletter
  - iii) SEAC: info available on board website or in December newsletter
  - iv) Brock University's Lifespan Development Research Institute is recruiting for a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC): Can be checked out n Brock's website

5. Treasurer's Report: Same as the last 2 months.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 26th



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

St. Patrick Catholic School  
Wednesday, November 25, 2020  
Financial Statement

General Fundraising

Fundraising Activities			Balance
General Fundraising			10,045.67
Pasta Days			645.39
Pizza Days			1761.27
<b>Overall Totals</b>			<b>12,452.33</b>



# Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee

## 2020-2021 Membership

Geographical Areas	Parent Representatives	Family of Schools
Fort Erie/Port Colborne/Wainfleet	➤ Shonna Daly	Lakeshore Catholic High School-Our Lady of Victory, St. Elizabeth, St. George, St. John Bosco, St. Joseph, St. Philomena, St. Patrick and St. Therese Catholic Elementary Schools
Grimsby/Lincoln/West Lincoln/Pelham	➤ Jessica Coutinho ➤ Todd Ulbinas	Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School-Our Lady of Fatima, St. Edward, St. John, St. Joseph, St. Mark and St. Martin Catholic Elementary Schools
Merritton/Thorold	➤ Mary-Kate O'Hara-Skubel	Denis Morris Catholic High School-Monsignor Clancy, St. Anthony, St. Charles, St. Christopher, St. Nicholas, St. Peter and St. Theresa Catholic Elementary Schools
Niagara Falls/Niagara-on-the-Lake	➤ Rita Colling ➤ Marilyn Fabiano ➤ Chris Kouroushis (Co-Chair) ➤ Jitto Tom Uthup	Saint Michael Catholic High School-Father Hennepin, Loretto Catholic, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Sacred Heart Catholic Elementary Schools  Saint Paul Catholic High School-Mary Ward, Notre Dame, St. Gabriel Lalemant, St. John Henry Newman, St. Mary, St. Patrick and St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Elementary Schools
St. Catharines	➤ Jeremy A. Harb ➤ George Roussos	Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School-Assumption, Canadian Martyrs, Our Lady of Fatima, St. Alfred and St. Michael Catholic Elementary Schools  Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School-St. Ann, St. Denis and St. James, St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Elementary Schools
Welland	➤ Melanie Oakes-Flegg ➤ Carrie Vernelli (Chair)	Notre Dame College School-Alexander Kuska, Holy Name, St. Alexander, St. Andrew, St. Ann, St. Augustine, St. Kevin and St. Mary Catholic Elementary Schools
<b>Bishop/Diocesan, Community and Student Senate Representatives</b>		
Fr. Paul MacNeil	Bishop/Diocesan Representative	
Shelley Gilbert	Society of St. Vincent de Paul	
Allan Buri	Secondary Student Senate Representative	
<b>Board Representatives</b>		
Dino Sicoli	Vice-Chair of the Board	
Leanne Prince	Trustee	
<b>Board Staff</b>		
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells	Director's Designate-Superintendent of Education	
Joe Tornabuono	Elementary Principal	
Lou Stranges	Secondary Principal	
Josie Rocca	Support Staff	
Yvonne Anderson	Recording Secretary	



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## Special Education Advisory Committee

### 2020 – 2021 Membership

<b>Member</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
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<b>Board Staff</b>		
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Chris Kerho	Elementary Principal	
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Jim Di Gioia	Support Staff	
Danny Giancola	Support Staff	
David O'Rourke	Support Staff	
Jennifer Lanese	Recording Secretary	

Brock University's Lifespan Development Research Institute is recruiting for a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) made up of parents from the Niagara community who would like to provide input on relevant research and knowledge mobilization work.

This will include research focused on parents, families, children/youth, and the community.

PAC members will learn about exciting research happening at the Lifespan Development Research Institute and will have a chance to lend their voices to the research.

The Lifespan Institute PAC will involve meeting in a group setting with researchers and staff, four times a year to review relevant projects and provide feedback.

PAC meetings will happen online until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted with the dates and times to be announced.

Interested parents can visit the website for all requirements and to complete an online application at <http://brocku.ca/lifespan-development-research/parent-advisory-committee/> Applications are due by January 8, 2021. Please email questions to [lifespan@brocku.ca](mailto:lifespan@brocku.ca).