



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES  
ST. ALFRED  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

November 28, 2022  
School Library

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**A. ROUTINE MATTERS**

1. Opening Prayer – led by Mr. Bishop
2. Roll Call – **Rian Bishop, Patty Vandermeer, Maria Wus, Karyn Boyle, Mark Woods, Krystal Gill**
3. Approval of Agenda - **Mark Wood, Krystal Gill**
4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest - **None**
5. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of the St. Alfred Catholic School Council Meeting October 25, 2022

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

**C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK**

Student Trustees Policy – **Mr. Bishop explained that the policy allows for students who are not Roman Catholic to serve as trustees on the Secondary School Senate. No feedback was provided by the council, who agreed that this was an inclusive model**

**D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Report
2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report
3. Catholic School Council Financial Report  
McMillan's Fundraiser - \$2777.60 – chromebooks, tables, transportation – **council agreed to these uses of the fundraising funds**
4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Board – Danny DiLorenzo and Rhiannon Burkholder – **Mr. Bishop explained that a new chair of the board had been elected, along with a new vice chair**
5. Brock Research – **Grade 8s at St. Alfred have been involved in a longitudinal research study with Brock University with respect to bullying. The research began when they were in grade 5, and was interrupted by COVID. The research has resumed and we are excited about this partnership.**
6. Holy Cross Roadshow – December 13 – **We are excited to welcome back the Holy Cross band and choir for an in person performance on December 13.**
7. Shaw Festival – Grade 8s – December 20 – **The Grade 8s will travel to the Shaw Festival on December 20 for a performance of "White Christmas", subsidized through a program at the Shaw.**
8. MathUp school math program – **The NCDSB has purchased a new mathematics program called MathUp, which focuses on flexible number thinking for students.**

All teachers are using MathUp, and are encouraging students to show their thinking in multiple ways and to think about the best strategy when completing math problems.

9. School EQAO Results –

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Primary (20)	Level 2 – 5% Level 3 – 70% Level 4 – 25%	Level 2 – 15% Level 3 – 85%	Level 1 – 5% Level 2 – 15% Level 3 – 60% Level 4 – 20%
Junior (16)	Level 3 – 87.5% Level 4 – 12.5%	Level 3 – 75% Level 4 – 25%	Level 2 – 18.8% Level 3 – 75% Level 4 – 6.3%

The results of last year's EQAO assessment were shared. We had some significant successes last year, and staff continue to work hard to ensure that students are demonstrating their learning at level 3 and 4.

10. Winter Wonderland – December 15 – Staff have planned our Winter Wonderland evening for December 15, and are looking for an opportunity for our community to come together for the first time in a long time. Council were asked to volunteer some time to assist at some of the stations.

**E. OAPCE REPORT**

None

**F. STAFF REPORT**

None

**G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

None

**H. NEXT MEETING**

January 24, 2023

**I. CLOSING PRAYER – Led by Mr. Bishop**

**J. ADJOURNMENT – 6:45**