



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF THE
ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 18, 2024
In School, WorkRoom**

Minutes of the Meeting of the St. Nicholas Catholic School Council, held on November 18, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Jackie Watson

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Land Acknowledgment

The Niagara Catholic District School Board wishes to honour the Indigenous people who have been the protectors of this land, known as Turtle Island, for more than ten thousand years. We begin this meeting by acknowledging the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples and acknowledging reminds us that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

2. Opening Prayer – Prayer for Catholic Education

Prayer for Catholic Education O Holy Spirit, Source of truth and grace for those entrusted with the Christian development of children, enlighten our minds, strengthen our wills and fill our hearts with generosity so that our homes, our parish of the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Nicholas Catholic School and our community may cooperate effectively with You, and with one another in the exalted mission of Catholic Education. We make our prayer through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen

3. Roll Call

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/Treasurer	Jackie Watson	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vice-Principal/Secretary	Jackie Watson			
Chair	Ms. Paprzycki	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Co-Chair	-----			

Teacher Representative				
Non-Teaching Representative	-----			
Student Representative	-----			
Parish Representative	Father Ben Weber		<input type="checkbox"/>	
OAPCE Representative				
Community Representative	Ms. Ciancio	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community Representative				
PARENT REPRESENTATIVES				
Ms. Melville			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ms. Koch		<input type="checkbox"/>		

4. Approval of the Agenda
Moved by: Ms. Paprzycki
Seconded by: Ms. Koch

That the St. Nicholas Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the St. Nicholas Catholic School Council Meeting of February 3, 2025.

CARRIED

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

6. **Approval of Minutes of the St. Nicholas Catholic School Council Meeting of November 18, 2025.**

Moved by: Mrs. Ciancio
Seconded by: Ms. Paprzycki

That St Nicholas Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the St. Nicholas Catholic School Council Meeting of November 18, 2025 of last meeting presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK

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Board Policy Approval Updates –

- Trustee Code of Conduct Policy 100.12
- Trustee Electronic Meetings Policy 100.8
- Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students' Policy 301.1
- Administration of Medication to Students 302.2

D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report

Usually meet bi-monthly, the first Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at the CEC, Rice Rd.

2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report

Usually meet the first Wednesday of every month, 6:30 p.m. at the CEC, Rice Rd.

** Please note that agenda's and minutes of both meetings can be found on Niagara Catholic's website, under Programs. Scroll down to Special Education to find relevant agenda's and minutes.

3. Catholic School Council Financial Report

i) 2024-2025: Boxed Cards \$715.00; COBS \$1,300.00; Krispy Kreme Doughnuts: Delivery May 8th

ii) Catholic School Council Parent Engagement Funds, \$997.50 used of \$1,000.00 on December 4, 2024 for guest speaker John Hansen. Jon presented to our 5-8 students in the afternoon and then again to parents from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Denis Catholic.

Sacrament of Confirmation – Sunday, June 8th at the 11:30 a.m. mass

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion – Latter either May 10th or 17th during the 4:30 p.m. mass on Saturday. Reconciliation takes place individually between Father and the family.

Graduation – Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Catholic Education Week: We Are Many, We Are One

Monday – By Honouring Human Dignity

Tuesday – By Caring for Creation

Wednesday – By Responding to the Poverties in Our World

Wednesday – Parent Day: Choir, Art Gallery Walk in Gym

Thursday – By Serving in Solidarity

Friday – By Living as Peacemakers

Fundraising Updates:

- Krispy Kreme Doughnuts May 8, 2025

E. OAPCE REPORT

Mrs. Koch -

F. STAFF REPORT

Black History Month: Black Legacy and Leadership: Celebrating Canadian History and Uplifting Future Generations

Kids Helping Kids February 10th – 21st

3rd – Staff Meeting, CSC Meeting

4th – Andrea Stranges in for ¾, Popcorn Day, Kinder Open House 9-6

6th – Site Inspection, OSBIE

7th – Pizza Day, Ice Cream Day

10th – Term 1 Reports Uploaded/sent home this week, How Many Bobbles in Your Hair Day

11th – Twin/Triplet/Whole Class the same day

12th – Jersey Day, Grades 6/7/8 to DM Hockey Game

13th – Valentine's Day, Wear Pink, Red. White Day, is it 100 day?

14th – PA Day

17th – Family Day, Louis Riel Day

18th – Pyjama Day, Popcorn Day

- 19th – Junior Girls’ Basketball, OLHR, Be a Superhero Day
- 20th – Mass 10:00 a.m., How Big of a Hat Can You Wear Day
- 21st – Junior Boys’ Basketball, OLHR, Chicken Fingers for those who have ordered, Board Games in the Afternoon Day
- 24th – Intermediate Girls’ Basketball, Saint Michael High School
- 25th – FOS Math In-service hosted at St. Nicholas Catholic
- 26th – Pink Shirt Day, Cultivating Kindness
- 27th – Intermediate Boys’ Basketball, Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- 28th – Out of Dress Code

G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- Last fundraiser this year will be Krispy Kreme doughnuts. Will start selling April 7th and finish April 27th.. Orders will come in May 8th.
- Ms. Paprzycki stated that the rental of Burgoyne Woods could be \$261.60. She also stated that if we were using a propane tank for a bbq, we would need to have someone with a propane licence on site. Will finalize details and games at the next CSC meeting in April. We will confirm the rules of a propane bbq use through the City By-Laws.
- For next year, looking to selling COBS right at the start of the year;
- Looking at the possibility of selling gift baskets of sorts during the gingerbread night;
- Talk of extending the number of days we sell Christmas Shoppe items. Further talk of different formatting of the sale as opposed to extending the number of days.

H. NEXT MEETING

April 7, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m.

I. ADJOURNMENT

7:10 p.m

J. CLOSING PRAYER

Please let us all say the Hail Mary