



*The Niagara Catholic District School Board through  
the charisms of faith, social justice, support and leadership,  
nurtures an enriching Catholic learning community for all  
to reach their full potential and become living witnesses of Christ.*

AGENDA AND MATERIAL

## BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2013  
7:00 P.M.**

*FATHER KENNETH BURNS, C.S.C. BOARD ROOM  
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLAND, ONTARIO*



### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayers – Trustee Burtnik -
2. Roll Call -
3. Approval of the Agenda -
4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest -
5. Minutes of the Board Meetings
- 5.1 June 18, 2013 A5.1
- 5.2 August 27, 2013 A5.2
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### B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

### C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

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St. Gabriel Lalemant Catholic Elementary School
2. Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 10, 2013 C2
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Meeting of June 5, 2013 and Consideration of Recommendations
- 3.1 Change in Representation for the John Howard Society C3.1  
to the Special Education Advisory Committee
- 3.2 Change in Representation for Autism Ontario – Niagara Region Chapter C3.2  
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of Reading, Writing and Mathematics
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**D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS**

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| 1.  | Correspondence   |      |
| 1.1 | Minister of Education – Thank You for Invitation to Visit Niagara Catholic Schools   | D1.1 |
| 2.  | Report on Trustee Conferences Attended   |      |
| 3.  | General Discussion to Plan for Future Action   | -    |
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| 4.1 | Calendar of Events – October 2013  | D4.1 |
| 4.2 | City of Welland – Arts & Culture Advisory Committee – Culture Days   | D4.2 |
| 4.3 | Niagara Festival Grape Grande Parade – September 28, 2013  | -    |
| 4.4 | OCSTA Central Region Meeting, Oshawa – October 1, 2013   | D4.4 |
| 4.5 | Retirement Celebration for Larry Reich – Tuesday, October 8, 2013 – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.<br>Father Kenneth Burns C.S.C. Board Room   | -    |
| 4.6 | Director’s Inspiration Award – Thursday, October 10, 2013  | -    |
| 5.  | Open Question Period   |      |
|     | <i>(The purpose of the Open Question Period is to allow members of the Catholic school supporting public to ask about items on that night’s public agenda or any previous agendas, and the Board to answer and react.)</i> |      |

**E. NOTICES OF MOTION****F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA****G. REPORT ON IN CAMERA SESSION****H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS****I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE****J. ADJOURNMENT**

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
MEETING DATE**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF  
JUNE 18, 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of June 18, 2013, as presented.



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2013**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Sicoli.

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau noted that Chairperson Burtnik asked to be excused from the Public Session of the Board Meeting, and that she would participate electronically for the In Camera Session - Section B.

Moved by Trustee O'Leary  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board excuse Chairperson Burtnik from attending the Public Session of the Board Meeting of June 18, 2013.

**CARRIED**

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik				✓
Maurice Charbonneau	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
Vincent Atallah	✓			
Michael Blair	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Mario Ciccarelli**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, **Mark Lefebvre**, Superintendents of Education; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Jennifer Brailey**, Manager of Corporate Services & Communications; **Sherry Morena**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of June 18, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Interest**

A Disclosure of Interest was declared by Trustee Burtnik with Item C8.1 of the Public Agenda. This item may show cheques issued to this trustee's family business. She refrained from voting on this item.

**5. Timed In Camera Session (Section B)**

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session (Section B).

**CARRIED**

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session (Section B) of the Board Meeting at 6:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

The Public Session of the Board Meeting resumed at 7:00 p.m.

**6. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 28, 2013**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 28, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Kids Helping Kids 2012-2013**

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, presented background information on "Kids Helping Kids...Celebrating 15 Years of Contributions". Jim Marino, Executive Director of the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre, thanked the Board for all their support over the years and related a great success story regarding one of the children at the Centre which has been able to move forward and succeed due to donations to the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre.

Mr. Marino was presented with a cheque in the amount of \$44,410.55 on behalf of the staff and students of the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau commented on the shared compassion of everyone in helping children reach their full potential and thanked Mr. Marino for his dedication to the children.

**2. OFSAA Medalists**

Principal Whittard of Saint Michael Catholic High School introduced Coach Ryan Dudley and information on the Track & Field season which was capped off with several medal performances at OFSAA.

The Saint Michael award winning athletes were presented with “Excellence in Athletics” pin in recognition of their many successes and achievements.

Vice-Principal Brian Atamanyk of Lakeshore Catholic High School welcomed Adam McLeod who won Gold medals in the 800 meter run and 100 meter sprint.

Adam was presented with an “Excellence in Athletics” pin in recognition of his victories.

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. School Excellence Program - Michael J. Brennan Catholic Elementary School**

Director Crocco provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program. Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, introduced Carmela D’Andrea, Principal of Michael J. Brennan Catholic Elementary School.

Principal D’Andrea, with the assistance of students and staff showcased Michael J. Brennan as part of the School Excellence Program.

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau thanked Principal D’Andrea, the staff and students for their presentation.

**2. Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 11, 2013 and Consideration of Recommendations**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 11, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

The following recommendations were presented for the Board’s consideration from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 11, 2013.

**2.1 Approval of Policies**

**2.1.1 Community Use of Facilities Policy (#800.2)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O’Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Community Use of Facilities Policy (#800.2), as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.2 Catholic School Councils Policy (#800.1) and By-Laws**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Catholic School Councils Policy (#800.1) and By-Laws, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.3 Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Community Policy (#800.7) and By-Laws**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Community Policy (#800.7) and By-Laws, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.4 Security Surveillance Policy (#701.3)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Video Security Surveillance Policy (#701.3), as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.5 Death Benefit Policy (#201.5)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Death Benefit Policy (#201.5), as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.6 Deferred Salary Plan (X/Y) Policy (#201.10)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Deferred Salary Plan (X/Y) Policy (#201.10), as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.1.7 Leadership Pathway Policy (new)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Leadership Pathway Policy, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.2 Larkin Estate Admission Awards 2013-2014**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the payment of \$5,375.00 for the Larkin Estate Admission Awards 2013-2014 per eligible student, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2.3 Addition and Alterations to Saint Michael Catholic High School  
– Award of Construction Contract**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the award of a construction contract to Brouwer Construction (1981) Ltd. for the addition and alterations to Saint Michael Catholic High School.

**CARRIED**

**2.4 Report on the 2013-2014 Annual Budget**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the 2013-2014 Annual Budget, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3. Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting  
of May 1, 2013**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg  
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 1, 2013, as presented for information.

**CARRIED**

**4. Annual Budget 2013-2014**

Director Crocco as Secretary/Treasurer of the Niagara Catholic District School Board presented the Niagara Catholic 2013-2014 Annual Budget. He stated that Senior Staff is submitting a balanced budget, in compliance with the Ministry of Education regulations. The Budget is presented at this time, without accessing funds from the Board's reserves to achieve a balanced budget. The Budget continues to allocate the necessary funding to implement and deliver the excellence and distinctive Catholic programs and services to our students and staff as approved by the Board Vision 2020 Strategic Plan; and the Board approved System Priority Indicators for 2013-2014; Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines and Ministry of Education Directives.

Director Crocco and Superintendent of Business and Financial Services, Giancarlo Vetrone, will continue to keep the Board updated through budget reports and revised estimates.

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau along with Trustees thanked and congratulated the Director of Education and Senior Administrative Council for their leadership, focus and commitment to preparing a balanced budget, while keeping the Board's priorities first and foremost.



Superintendent Vetrone acknowledged and thanked Senior Staff; Bill Tumath, Manager of Accounting Services; and Gina Crognale, Manager of Payroll Services, for their assistance in gathering information and preparing the budget for presentation to the Board.

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Annual Budget 2013-2014, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. Ontario Early Years Centre Audited Financial Statements – March 31, 2013**

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services, presented the report on the Ontario Early Years Centre – Audited Financial Statements as at March 31, 2013.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Audited Financial Statements and Ministry schedules for the Ontario Early Years Centre as at March 31, 2013 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Executive Council Power**

Director Crocco presented the annual report on Executive Council Power stating that it is being presented should an emergency situation occur during the months of July and August and a quorum for a Special Board Meeting cannot be reached after all reasonable attempts have been exhausted.

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg  
Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board empower Executive Council to approve any actions, of an emergency nature, recommended by the Director of Education, if a quorum cannot be achieved after a Special Meeting of the Board is called as per Board By-Laws, during the months of July and August 2013.

**CARRIED**

**7. The Provisions of Special Education Programs and Services – Special Education Plan**

Superintendent Baldasaro presented the Annual Special Education Plan “Provisions of Special Education Programs and Services – Building Bridges to Services 2013 and Beyond”.

**8. Financial Reports**

**8.1 Monthly Banking Transactions**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Monthly Banking Transactions for the month of May 2013, as presented for information.

**CARRIED**

## **8.2 Statement of Revenue & Expenditures**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary  
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at May 31, 2013, as presented for information.

**CARRIED**

## **D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS**

### **1. Correspondence**

Nil Report

### **2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended**

Trustee Burkholder presented information on the CCSTA 2013 AGM in Winnipeg, highlighting the messages of the keynote speakers.

### **3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action**

- Director Crocco informed the Board that students are continuing to enrol in Niagara Catholic's French Language Immersion Program. Superintendent Lefebvre will provide an update on enrolment at the September Committee of the Whole Meeting. Further updates regarding the Boards plans for February 2014 registration and locations will be provided in the fall.
- Superintendent Ciccarelli, Controller of Facilities Whitwell, and Manager of Facilities Services Levinski continue to finalize the background information for the St. Catharines Attendance Area Review Committee for the St. James and Michael J. Brennan Catholic Elementary Schools area. The Committee will commence meetings in early September and provide dates for the first meeting to the Committee members.

### **4. Trustee Information**

#### **4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 11, 2013**

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 11, 2013 issue for Trustees' information.

#### **4.2 Calendar of Events – July & August**

Director Crocco presented the Calendar of Events – July & August 2013 for Trustees' information

#### **4.3 Niagara Catholic Retirement Celebration and Recognition Night – June 22, 2013**

Director Crocco reminded Trustees that the Niagara Catholic Retirement Celebration and Recognition Night is being held June 22, 2013 at Club Italia. Trustees attending were asked to arrive at 5:00 for photographs.

**5. Open Question Period**

None Submitted

**E. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

**CARRIED**

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting at 8:15 p.m. and reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

**G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of June 18, 2013.

**CARRIED**

**SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of May 28, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of June 11, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F2)**

**SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F4.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item F4.1)**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F4.2 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item F4.2)**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of May 27, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F5)**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of June 11, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F6)**

## **H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

## **I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE**

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the June 18, 2013 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

Approved on the **24<sup>th</sup>** day of **September 2013.**

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Maurice Charbonneau  
Vice-Chairperson of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
MEETING DATE**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF  
AUGUST 27, 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 27, 2013, as presented.



## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2013**

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee MacNeil.

2. Roll Call

Chairperson Burtnik informed Trustees that Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau will participate electronically if and when he is able to receive a connection.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder		✓		
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau				✓
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg		✓		
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Mario Ciccarelli**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, Superintendents of Education; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Sherry Morena**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of August 27, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Interest**

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

**B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Catholic Leadership: Superintendent of Education Pool 2013**

Director Crocco presented the information report on the Catholic Leadership: Superintendent of Education Pool 2013 outlining the various stages of the selection process, for both the Superintendent of Education Pool and the selection of a new Superintendent of Education with the retirement of Superintendent Ciccarelli.

Trustees and the Director discussed the selection process.

The Director of Education will provide an update at the September In Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

**CARRIED**

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 2:00 p.m. and reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

**D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee MacNeil  
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting of August 27, 2013.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg  
Seconded by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item C1 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item C1)**

**E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE**

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the August 27, 2013 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **August 27, 2013.**

Approved on the **24<sup>th</sup>** day of **September 2013.**

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Kathy Burtnik  
Chairperson of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer



**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
MEETING DATE**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of September 10, 2013, as presented.



## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

#### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Chairperson Burtnik.

2. Roll Call

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli				✓

The following staff were in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Mario Ciccarelli**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, **Mark Lefebvre**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Sherry Morena**, Recording Secretary/ Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau  
Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Special Board Meeting of September 10, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Interest**

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

**B. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Apple Canada Purchase Approval**

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the purchase of Apple products and the operating lease financed through HP Financial Services for the following computer equipment, as presented:

1,040	iPad mini 16GB with Wi-Fi
52	iMac 21.5-inch 2.7GHz WQuad-core Intel Core i5
1	Mac Pro 2.4GHz 12-Core Intel Xeon
52	Bretford Roller 20 for Ipad Mini LTN – USA

for a total of approximately \$670,000.

**CARRIED**

**C. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg  
Seconded by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

**CARRIED**

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting at 10:05 p.m. and reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

**D. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Fera  
Seconded by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting of September 10, 2013.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item C1 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item C1)**

**E. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE**

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the September 10, 2013 Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board Board held on **September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

Approved on the **24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2013.**

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Kathy Burtnik  
Chairperson of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
MEETING DATE**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: SCHOOL EXCELLENCE PROGRAM  
ST. GABRIEL LALEMANT CATHOLIC  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013



**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**SCHOOL EXCELLENCE PROGRAM  
ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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Niagara Falls, Ontario  
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st.gabriel.lalemant@ncdsb.com

**Grades**  
JK – 8

**Enrolment**  
196 as of September 2013

**Principal**  
Deborah Mercnik

**Superintendent**  
Mark Lefebvre

**Catholic School Council  
Chair**  
Leah Collee

**Parish**  
Our Lady of the Scapular



St. Gabriel Lalemant Catholic Elementary School was built in 1959 as one of the Niagara Falls Separate School Board's many four – room expansion schools. Since that time the school has had three major additions renovations, the last of which was a long awaited addition of four classrooms and a safer, more efficient office area completed in the summer of 2005.

As of September 2013, St. Gabriel Lalemant will be a fully equipped "SMART" school. All of our students from ELKP to Grade Eight will have access to state of the art laptops and the latest interactive SMART Boards and wireless technologies. These digital tools will best prepare our students and enhance their educational experience preparing them for success in the 21st century.

*Strive to provide the best learning environment and education strategies  
to foster the development of all children to their potential.*  
-School Mission Statement

*Working as guardians of our faith ...*  
-School Motto

Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE  
WHOLE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Minutes of September 10, 2013, as presented.



## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau.

#### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder.

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chairperson Charbonneau noted that Trustee Sicoli asked to be excused and welcomed new Student Trustee Dallas McMahon.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli				✓
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
Vincent Atallah	✓			
Dallas McMahon	✓			



The following staff were in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Mario Ciccarelli**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, **Mark Lefebvre**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Sherry Morena**, Recording Secretary/ Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 10, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Interest**

A Disclosure of Interest was declared by Trustee Burkholder with Item C7.1 of the Public Agenda, as she has a family member who is associated with the Quartek Group.

**5. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 11, 2013**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 11, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2013-2014 School Year**

Through a visual presentation, Director Crocco along with Senior Staff presented the Committee of the Whole with a verbal information update regarding the 2013-2014 school year, Trustees were provided with handouts of the Strategic Directions System Priorities for 2013-2014, a booklet outlining the Faith Formation Program "Wisdom, Worship, Witness", and the 2013-2014 School Year Calendar as part of their agenda packages.

Senior Staff answered Trustees questions regarding the various information and provided in the report.

**2. Apple Canada Purchase Approval**

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services, and Mario Ciccarelli, Superintendent of Education, presented the report on the Apple Canada Purchase Approval, which is in accordance with Niagara Catholic's System Priority to "enhance technology for optimal learning and aligned with our direction to implement the second year of our Niagara Catholic Blueprint for technology", and was approved in the 2013-2014 Niagara Catholic Annual Budget.

Trustees asked questions of staff regarding the purchase.

Moved by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the purchase of Apple products and the operating lease financed through HP Financial Services for the following computer equipment, as presented:

1,040	iPad mini 16GB with Wi-Fi
52	iMac 21.5-inch 2.7GHz WQuad-core Intel Core i5
1	Mac Pro 2.4GHz 12-Core Intel Xeon
52	Bretford Roller 20 for Ipad Mini LTN – USA

for a total of approximately \$670,000.

**CARRIED**

**3. Mental Health Leaders to Support School Mental Health Assist**

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, welcomed Andrea Bozza, Mental Health Lead, who provided a brief overview of her role and how it will support Niagara Catholic's 2013-2014 Enabling Strategies that focus on providing supports for student success in the area of Mental Health and Addictions.

**4. Raise Me Up 2013**

Superintendent Lefebvre provided Trustees with information on the Raise Me Up 2013 in which Niagara Catholic students will construct a one thousand, two hundred square foot (1,200) home from start to finish alongside qualified and certified local trades in Welland.

Marco Magazzeni, Coordinator of Student Success, was in attendance to answer Trustees questions.

It was noted that all proceeds from the sale of each home will be donated to the Niagara Catholic Foundation for Education and/or the Niagara Catholic Helping Hands Fund which in turn will support local charities helping families in need. Trustees commented that this is a great opportunity for students as well as the community in general.

**5. Parents Reaching Out Grants 2013-2014**

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented the report on Catholic School Councils Parents Reaching Out Grants 2013-2014 and indicated that for the 2013-2014 school year, twenty-seven (27) schools in the Niagara Catholic District School Board have received PRO Grants to a total of \$26,220, with an additional \$22,500 to continue the "Through the Years" project.

**6. International Education Partnership Agreements**

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education, welcomed Fred Wilson, Supervisor of International Education, who presented the report on the International Education Partnership Agreements the Board is finalizing with the English Language Center, Guangzhou City, China; Country Garden School in Foshan City, China; Bokja Catholic School, Chun An City, South Korea; Salesio Catholic Elementary School, Gwangju Province, and the Jeollabuk-Do Foundation, South Korea.

Senior Staff will continue to inform the Board on the progress of these partnership agreements and the development of new international education partnership agreements.

## **7. Monthly Updates**

### **7.1 Capital Projects Update**

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services, presented the Capital Projects Update.

### **7.2 Student Trustees' Update**

Vincent Atallah and Dallas McMahon, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

Trustees asked if the 2013-2014 Student Senate would attend the October Committee of the Whole Meeting to meet the Trustees. Director Crocco indicated that the Student Senate members would be presented and introduced at the October Committee of the Whole Meeting.

### **7.3 Senior Staff Good News Update**

Senior Staff highlights included:

#### **Superintendent Baldasaro**

- A student from Michael J. Brennan Catholic Elementary School came in first at the Rogers Center, Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit and Run competition. The student and his family attended the All-Star game festivities at Citi Field in New York, where they met various Major League Baseball Players.

## **D. INFORMATION**

### **1. Trustee Information**

#### **1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 18, 2013**

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 18, 2013 issue for Trustees' information.

#### **1.2 Calendar of Events – September 2-13**

Director Crocco presented the September 13, 2013 Calendar of Events for Trustees' information.

#### **1.3 Director's Letter to Students and Parents – September 2013**

Director Crocco presented the Director's Letter to Students and Parents – September 2013.

#### **1.4 Director's Letter to Staff – September 2013**

Director Crocco presented the Director's Letter to Staff – September 2013.

#### **1.5 Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament – September 18, 2013**

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament taking place on September 18, 2013.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance to golf or for dinner with Sherry Morena.

**1.6 Niagara Festival Grape Grande Parade – September 28, 2013**

Director Crocco presented information on the Niagara Festival Grape Grande Parade taking place September 28, 2013.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena.

**1.7 OCSTA Central Region Meeting, Oshawa – October 1, 2013**

Director Crocco presented information on the OCSTA Central Region Meeting scheduled for October 1, 2013 in Oshawa.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena.

**1.8 CCSTA National Conversation on Catholic Education – Ottawa – October 3, 2013**

Director Crocco reminded Trustees about the CCSTA National Conversation on Catholic Education scheduled from October 3-5, 2013 in Ottawa.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena by September 14, 2013.

**1.9 Invitation to Celebration in Honour of Retirement of Sr. Joan Cronin**

Director Crocco presented the Invitation to Celebration in Honour of Retirement of Sr. Joan Cronin being held on Sunday, October 6, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena.

**1.10 Community Consultation Kit Launch - Next Phase in Ontario's Education Strategy**

Director Crocco presented information on the Community Consultation Kit Launch - Next Phase in Ontario's Education Strategy.

**E. OTHER BUSINESS**

**F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole move into the In Camera Session.

**CARRIED**

The Committee of the Whole moved into the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 9:10 p.m. and reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

**G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 10, 2013.

**CARRIED**

## **SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section A: Student Trustees Included) held on June 11, 2103, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

## **SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section B: Student Trustees Excluded) held on June 11, 2013, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F4)**

Moved by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F6 of the In Camera Agenda.

**CARRIED (Item F6)**

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the September 10, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

Approved on the **8<sup>th</sup>** day of **October 2013.**

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Maurice Charbonneau  
Vice-Chairperson of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
MEETING DATE**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: APPROVED MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) MEETING OF  
JUNE 5, 2013**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 5, 2013, as presented for information.

The following recommendations are being presented for the Board's consideration from the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 5, 2013:

**3.1 *Change in Representation for the John Howard Society  
to the Special Education Advisory Committee***

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve change in representation for the John Howard Society to the Special Education Advisory Committee; Primary Representative: Jay Gemmell.

**3.2 *Change in Representation for Autism Ontario – Niagara Region Chapter  
to the Special Education Advisory Committee***

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the change in representation for Autism Ontario – Niagara Region Chapter to the Special Education Advisory Committee; Primary Representative: Colleen Sword, Alternate Representative: Kathy Ryan.



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2013

Minutes of the Meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee, held on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Racine.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Chair Racine.

2. Roll Call

Members	Affiliations	Present	Excused	Absent
Anna Racine	The Tourette Syndrome Association of Ontario	✓		
Rob Lavorato	Down Syndrome Caring Parents (Niagara)	✓		
Connie Parry	Association for Bright Children		✓	
Kerry Thomas	Community Living-Welland/Pelham	✓		
Cyndi Gryp	Community Living-Grimsby, Lincoln & West Lincoln	✓		
Kim Rosati	VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children	✓		
Mike Gowan	Autism Ontario	✓		
Jim Wells	John Howard Society of Niagara		✓	
Katie Muirhead	Ontario Brain Injury Association	✓		
Sarah Farrell	Learning Disabilities Association – Niagara	✓		
Bill Helmeczi	Pathstone Mental Health	✓		
<b>Trustees</b>				
Father Paul MacNeil			✓	
Rhianon Burkholder			✓	
Dino Sicoli		✓		
<b>Student Senate Representative</b>				
Leah Zahorchak		✓		

The following staff were in attendance:

**Yolanda Baldasaro**, Superintendent of Education; **Danny DiLorenzo**, Principal, Secondary; **Terry Antoniou**, Principal, Elementary; **Amy Dowd**, Coordinator Special Education; **Tina DiFrancesco**, Recording Secretary

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Katie Muirhead  
Seconded by Bill Helmeczi

**THAT** the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the Agenda of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 5, 2013.

**CARRIED**

**4. Disclosure of Interest**

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

**5. Approval of Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 1, 2013**

Moved by Kim Rosati  
Seconded by Rob Lavorato

**THAT** the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of May 1, 2013 as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **B. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Joseph Zaroda, Principal, Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School presented information about the *High Performance Support Option*. Background information was provided on the rationale for the proposal, the goal, objectives and benefits of the program. This program will offer students who meet the criteria of 'elite' or are identified as high performance athletes/participants, the flexibility and quality programming that supports their training and competition schedules without compromising the educational standard of excellence that exists in the Niagara Catholic District School Board. Questions were asked and answered during the presentation.

## **C. VISIONING**

**1. Goals and Vision for 2012/2013**

**1.1 Discussion: RE: Tag Line**

Superintendent Baldasaro informed the SEAC members that the recommendation for the SEAC tag line, *Supporting an Inclusive Catholic Learning Community* was approved at the May 28<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.



## **1.2 Special Needs Representative/SEAC Report**

Information regarding the Special Needs Representation/SEAC Report to be included in the presentation to the Committee of the Whole. More information to follow at a future meeting regarding approval of the template.

## **1.3 Committee of the Whole Presentation**

Vice-Chair Lavorato reviewed the draft report that will be presented to the Committee of the Whole. A discussion was held regarding the content and it was decided that the information be sent out to all members for suggestions and feedback. The presentation will be held possibly in the fall. More information will follow at the next meeting.

## **D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 1, 2013**

1. *Learner Advocacy*
2. *Parent Outreach*
3. *Program and Service Recommendations*
4. *Special Education Budget*
5. *Annual Review, Special Education Plan*
6. *Other Related Items*

### **6.1 SEAC Representative on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee**

Chair Racine asked if any SEAC member would be interested in the position of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) for the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NPIC).

#### *Election of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative)*

Moved by Mike Gowan

**THAT** Anna Racine be nominated for the position of Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC).

Anna Racine accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations forthcoming.

Anna Racine was acclaimed as the Parent Advocate (SEAC Representative) on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC).

## 6.2 Niagara Catholic District School Board Protocol for Students Not Writing Exams

Mike Gowan described the concerns raised by the Niagara Catholic District School Board SEAC around exam schedules and the ways in which we can best accommodate our students with special education needs. A decision was made by the members to establish a working group to look at the entire scope of what is currently being offered and see if there are any viable alternatives on how to better support our students with special education needs and their families.

### Approval of the formation of a working group regarding the Niagara Catholic District School Board protocol for students not writing exams

Moved by Mike Gowan

Seconded by Kerry Thomas

**THAT** the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the formation of a working group regarding the Niagara Catholic District School Board protocol for students in secondary Special Education classes not writing exams.

**CARRIED**

## 7. Policy Review

The *Acceleration Retention Policy, Employee Leaves of Absence Policy and Opening and Closing Policy* were presented. The deadline to respond is October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Chair Racine advised members that the policies will be reviewed at the September meeting.

## E. AGENCY REPORTS

### 1. VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children – Kim Rosati

- May was Speech and Hearing Awareness Month with many events taking place.
- May 4<sup>th</sup> was our 21<sup>st</sup> Annual VOICE Conference in Guelph. The keynote speaker was acclaimed author Michael Chorost. Growing up with a hearing loss, he spoke of how technology enabled his education and later his career as an adult. Along with an Alumni Panel and various workshops this made for a very informative day.
- On May 28<sup>th</sup> NCDSB and the Teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing hosted a family get together entitled “Hear Together” for families with children with a hearing loss in kindergarten to grade five. Children had the opportunity to meet other students with hearing loss and were entertained with a clown and magic show. Dr. Barb Zupan, Brock University Professor of Applied Linguistics, spoke to the parents offering suggestions and strategies to help support their child’s literacy learning at home.
- This past weekend was our Annual Family Weekend at the Great Wolf Lodge. A total of 37 families attended!
- Upcoming summer events:  
Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013- 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Picnic at Burgoyne Woods in St. Catharines.  
Aug 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>, 2013- 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Family Camp at Bark Lake in the Haliburton Highlands.

**2. Down Syndrome Caring Parents (Niagara) – Rob Lavorato**

- June 15<sup>th</sup> – DSCP Event: *A Night with Monica and David*, Award Winning Documentary is being shown at the Market Square in St. Catharines. Doors open at 6:00p.m., film at 7:10p.m.

**3. Community Living – Welland/Pelham – Kerry Thomas**

- Nil Report

**4. Association for Bright Children – Connie Parry**

- Nil Report

**5. Community Living – Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln – Cyndi Gryp**

- Summer programs will be happening soon.

**6. Autism Ontario – Mike Gowan**

- The Annual Golf Tournament is happening this week.
- The Autism Ontario – Niagara Chapter Manager recently resigned.
- Summer programs will be happening soon.

**7. The Tourette Syndrome Association of Ontario – Anna Racine**

- Nil Report

**8. John Howard Society of Niagara – Jim Wells**

- Nil Report

**9. Ontario Brain Injury Association – Katie Muirhead**

- June is Brain Injury Awareness Month.
- June 6<sup>th</sup> - Launching *Drive Only..Never Text* (D.O.N.T) at Queens Park in Toronto. This campaign is an initiative of a coalition of injury prevention advocates including the Ontario Brain Injury Association which reminds drivers that texting or talking while driving can cause serious car crashes, brain injuries or death.

**10. Learning Disabilities Association (Niagara) – Sarah Farrell**

- We are still accepting applications for our full-day summer program called Sunshine, Learning, Achievement & More (SLAM) this summer in St. Catharines, Welland and Niagara Falls for the following weeks. Applications must be received 2 weeks prior to the start date and spots are filling up quickly!
- We will be offering a brand new Student Summer Transition Program for Grade 7 and 8 students with learning disabilities this summer for 2 weeks (1 week in July and 1 week in August). The Student Summer Transition Program is a full-day self-advocacy and transition program for Grade 7 and 8 students with learning disabilities and/or ADHD (official diagnosis not required). This program is designed to motivate and help students gain essential skills and confidence as they prepare to enter high school. In this program, students participate in hands-on, engaging activities, role-playing and discussions in a small-group setting and work on skills, such as time management, study tools, designing their own IEP, conflict management, coping strategies, smart goals, self-regulation and more during the summer. Participants are welcome to apply for both weeks. We will be hiring 2 experienced teachers to facilitate this program and the job descriptions will be posted on our website.
- We will be at CHAPTERS in Fairview Mall in St. Catharines on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9:00pm, which is a great way to learn more about our agency and programs! 10% of all purchases made within this time by those that visit our booth will go towards LDANR programs and services.
- The LDANR is selling Kiwanis Duck Race tickets, which is \$5/ticket with a chance to win great prizes and a free bowling pass. For every ticket sold, \$1 will go to the agency.

**11. Pathstone Mental Health – Bill Helmeczi**

- The Hope Award Event is being held on June 14<sup>th</sup> at Club Italia in Niagara Falls, with keynote speaker, Richard Dreyfuss.

**F. STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Terry Antoniou -Principal, Elementary**

**Mrs. Antoniou - Principal-Holy Name Catholic Elementary**

- Holy Name Catholic is preparing for successful transitions in to, within and out of our Holy Name Catholic elementary community. We are also focused on the successful completion of the Primary/Junior Education Quality and Accountability Office standardized assessments.

**Mrs. Tofano-Principal-Assumption Catholic Elementary**

- Assumption Catholic is very proud of our Heritage Fair participants and award winners.
- Assumption celebrates one of our students who was our school winner and an award winner at the Niagara Catholic District Board Level. This student is an exceptional child with multiple identifications who not only presented us well at Heritage Fair but also had a lead role in our school musical "Don't Stop Believing".

Mrs. MacKenzie-Principal-St. Joseph Catholic Elementary-Snyder

- St. Joseph Catholic won the 2013 Niagara Region Environmental Awards for the Young People's Category for growing and maintaining our organic gardens. Two members of our Eco Team are special needs students (Autism/MID).

2. Danny DiLorenzo –Principal, Secondary

Lakeshore Catholic High School

- We have continued an energetic pace in the Special Education class right into June. Along with our regular programming, teachers have been planning and conducting end-of-the-semester assessments. With these assessments, as well as, parental input, we are beginning to plan schedules and programming for the next school year.
- Our students are looking forward to travelling to Notre Dame for the last Special education gathering, where they will put their basketball skills to the test. We will also continue our end of year traditional day in the park, where our staff and students spend a day at Lakeview Park, playing organized games and breaking bread together for one last time.
- Our mainstream IEP'd students are preparing for exams, where they will receive accommodations as per their IEP.

Saint Paul High School

- The Saint Paul Catholic Special Education department is filled with great excitement and anticipation of the upcoming school year. Several future Patriots have successfully completed their transition visits as they familiarized themselves with their new school environment and community.
- Presently, we are planning a year end school trip for our students to socialize and experience some of the wonderful attractions that the city of Niagara Falls has to offer, as our students anxiously await summer!

Saint Michael High School

- Our Special Education class students are winding up the school year with a couple of end of the year trips: one to Zooz and one to Clifton Hill/Maid of the Mist.
- Special Class IPRCs for incoming students will be taking place at the high school in June. These students have been transitioned over the last few months to ensure a smooth transition in September.
- Four of our Special Education class students are finishing up their Co-Op/Work Placements. We are looking at new opportunities and placements to expand our program. We are very happy that one of our graduating students from the Special Education class will be continuing on at his current work placement.
- Saint Michael is proud to have one of our Special Education class students be this year's Catch the Spirit Award winner. We feel truly blessed and inspired by our students.
- Our graduating Resource supported students are accepting their post-secondary programs and will be contacting the Colleges and Universities for support opportunities in the next couple of months.
- We are very proud of the inclusion of our Special Education students into all aspects of Saint Michael. Our students are taking advantage of all the numerous opportunities, clubs and activities that are available.

- We have two students graduating from our Special Education class this June. We wish them and all of our graduating Resource supported students success and enjoyment in all of their future endeavours.

Denis Morris

- The Special Education Department has been involved in transitioning our incoming students. Our new students have joined us for lunch and social games/activities for several visits and they will be returning for another visit before the end of the school year. As we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates with special education needs, we are actively engaged in collaborating with community agencies and employment supports to complete our exit transition plans. We are pleased to report that our students will be actively participating in the community in September through volunteer and work placements to promote lifelong learning and success.
- As we close the end of the school year, we celebrate all of our student success stories through their accomplishments, cooperative education placements, newly acquired learning and newly established friendships.

Blessed Trinity

- IPRC and Transition meetings with the elementary schools are almost complete and we have enjoyed hosting some students for tours of Blessed Trinity.
- EQAO Math will take place on June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.
- SEA Equipment has been inventoried and arrangements are being made to transfer the equipment from the elementary schools to Blessed Trinity first thing in the fall. We encourage students to continue the use of their equipment in order to capitalize on strategies that lead to independence.
- Blessed Trinity hosted the Special Education Spirit Day event on May 10<sup>th</sup> during Catholic Education Week with all eight high schools in attendance. We changed things up a little and invited the DRUM CAFÉ to perform. It was an interactive performance that was truly enjoyed by everyone in attendance! Many thanks go out to Teachers, Educational Assistants, Peer Tutors and Students from ALL schools for their active participation in the event!
- On Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, our Athletic Awards Recognition Assembly will take place. Three of our students in the Special Education Class will be recognized for their outstanding performance in swimming!
- Have a wonderful summer! We look forward to new and exciting things in September!

**3. Yolanda Baldasaro – Superintendent of Education**

- Superintendent Baldasaro presented a draft calendar of the proposed SEAC dates for 2013-2014 and made note of the adjustment to the March SEAC meeting which will take place on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 due to Ash Wednesday occurring on March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Superintendent Baldasaro advised members that the Special Education Plan checklist will be submitted to the Ministry by July 31<sup>st</sup>. The Plan will be posted on the Board website at that time. Copies will be provided to the members at the September meeting.

**4. Amy Dowd – Coordinator Special Education**

- The Special Education Plan Executive Summary 2013 was presented to the SEAC members outlining revisions made to the Plan.

- The first annual *Visual Eyes Family Night* was held at Michael J. Brennan Catholic Elementary school on May 14<sup>th</sup> for families and children who have a vision loss in ELKP to Grade 12. The event was a great success.

## **G. TRUSTEE REPORTS**

### **1. Father Paul MacNeil – Trustee**

- Nil Report

### **2. Rhianon Burkholder – Trustee**

- Nil Report

### **3. Dino Sicoli - Trustee**

- Nil Report

## **H. STUDENT REPORT**

### **1. Leah Zahorchak – Student Representative**

- May 9<sup>th</sup> – Niagara Catholic Student Leadership Conference was held at Club Italia.
- Co-Chairs were elected for next year's Senate.
- Elementary Student Senate Chairs were elected and will sit on Secondary Senate as the Elementary voice.
- The Graduation Celebration held in May at the Scotiabank Centre in Niagara Falls was a success.
- June 11<sup>th</sup> is the last Student Senate meeting for the old Senate and the first meeting for the new Senate. Nominations will take place for the SEAC representative.

## **I. NCPIC REPORT**

- The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee is applying for the second phase of the ProGrant.
- Accepting nominations for NCPIC in September.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Learner Advocacy**

### **2. Parent Outreach**

### **3. Program and Service Recommendations**

4. Special Education Budget

5. Annual Review, Special Education Plan

6. Other Related Items

**6.1 Niagara College Special Education**

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Kim Rosati attended the Educational Assistant-Special Needs Support /Autism Behavioural Program Advisory Committee Meeting at Niagara College. As part of the Niagara Plan the Dean spoke on how faculty has the opportunity to do paid work at an agency. As well, it was noted that the Representing Agency is there for support and information for students with disabilities attending Niagara College as well as support and information for Niagara College students in this program as they go into their placements/jobs. Niagara College welcomes any Community partners to sit on the Committee and is open to the passing on of information to students.

7. Policy Review

**K. CORRESPONDENCE**

**L. QUESTION PERIOD**

**M. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**N. AGENDA ITEMS – DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**O. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Chair Racine spoke of the recent news regarding the 2 year teachers college program. Superintendent Baldasaro advised the members that she does not have any information regarding the news at this time.
2. Chair Racine reminded members of the year end dinner on June 13<sup>th</sup> at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre.
3. Chair Racine thanked Kim Rosati for her role as Vice-Chair in the first half of the year and Rob Lavorato for his role as Vice-Chair for the second half of the year, as well as thanked Leah Zahorchak for her role as the Student Senate Representative on SEAC.
4. Superintendent Baldasaro on behalf of Director Crocco, the Board of Trustees and Senior Administrative staff thanked everyone, expressed appreciation for all their support and wished everyone a restful summer.



**P. NEXT MEETING:**

**Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 7:00p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre**

**Q. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Kim Rosati

Seconded by Katie Muirhead

**THAT** the June 5, 2013 meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:25p.m.

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**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: CHANGE IN REPRESENTATION FOR THE JOHN HOWARD  
SOCIETY TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve change in representation for the John Howard Society to the Special Education Advisory Committee; Primary Representative: Jay Gemmell.

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Prepared by: Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education  
Presented by: Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education  
Recommended by: Special Education Advisory Committee  
Date: September 24, 2013



**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**CHANGE IN REPRESENTATION FOR THE JOHN HOWARD SOCIETY  
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Appendix A – Letter to Director Crocco from Jay Gemmell.

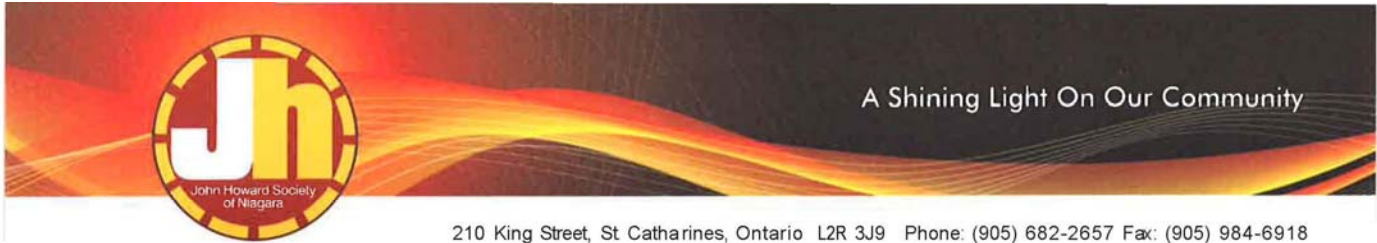
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Date: September 24, 2013



June 6, 2013

Mr. John Crocco, Director  
Niagara Catholic District School Board  
427 Rice Road  
Weiland, ON L3C 7C1

Dear Mr. Crocco:

Please be advised that the following person will be sitting on the Special Education Advisory Committee effective September 2013.

Jay Gemmell, Interim Executive Director  
John Howard Society of Niagara  
210 King Street  
St. Catharines, ON L2R 3J9  
Phone: 905-682-2657 ext. 222  
Fax: 905-984-6918  
Email: [jgemmell@jhs-niagara.ca](mailto:jgemmell@jhs-niagara.ca)

If you require any additional information, please contact Gloria McKinnon at our office at 905-682-2657 ext. 247.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jay Gemmell'.

Jay Gemmell  
Interim Executive Director

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: CHANGE IN REPRESENTATION FOR AUTISM ONTARIO  
– NIAGARA REGION CHAPTER TO THE SPECIAL  
EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the change in representation for Autism Ontario – Niagara Region Chapter to the Special Education Advisory Committee; Primary Representative: Colleen Sword, Alternate Representative: Kathy Ryan.

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**CHANGE IN REPRESENTATION FOR AUTISM ONTARIO  
– NIAGARA REGION CHAPTER  
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Appendix A – Letter to Niagara Catholic SEAC from Douglas Joyner.

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September 2013

Niagara Catholic District School Board SEAC  
c/o Tina DiFrancesco  
Administrative Assistant - Special Education  
tina.difrancesco@ncdsb.com

Dear Niagara Catholic District School Board SEAC,

Please be advised that the 2013/2014 NCDSB SEAC Representatives for Autism Ontario – Niagara Region Chapter will be:

**Colleen Sword**

P: 905-734-8719

E: [ct06wy@brocku.ca](mailto:ct06wy@brocku.ca)

**Alternate: Kathy Ryan**

E: [busymom13@hotmail.com](mailto:busymom13@hotmail.com)

SEAC Representatives will be provided with information and updates from Autism Ontario and the local Niagara Region Chapter. The local Niagara Region Chapter Manager is Douglas Joyner. Should you require any further details, please contact me at 905.682.2776, Ext. 201 or via email at [chaptermgr.niagara@autismontario.com](mailto:chaptermgr.niagara@autismontario.com). We would like to thank Mike Gowan for his many years of representation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas Joyner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Douglas Joyner

Manager, Autism Ontario – Niagara Region

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
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***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: EDUCATION QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE  
(EQAO)- PRIMARY AND JUNIOR ASSESSMENTS OF  
READING, WRITING AND MATHEMATICS**

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The report on the  
Education Quality And Accountability Office (EQAO)  
Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading,  
Writing and Mathematics, is presented for information.

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Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education  
Christine Battagli, Consultant-Research, Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting

Presented by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: September 24, 2013





**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**EDUCATION QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE (EQAO)  
PRIMARY AND JUNIOR ASSESSMENTS OF READING,  
WRITING AND MATHEMATICS**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

On September 18, 2013, EQAO released the school and Board level EQAO results of the 2012-2013 Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Niagara Catholic continues to celebrate student success on provincial assessments with improved student achievement in the areas of literacy and numeracy and closing the gaps in student achievement for all students in the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

Senior Administrative Council, Principals, Vice-Principals, teaching and support staff continue to work collaboratively to improve the achievement of each student by ensuring that individual needs are being met in the classroom.

The Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (BIPSA) provides the foundation for School Improvement Plans (SIPs) focusing on the improvement of student achievement in the four areas of Catholic Faith, Community and Culture, Literacy, Numeracy and Pathways.

This Board report provides the following information:

- Primary Assessment Results: Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- Junior Assessment Results: Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- Cohort Data: From Grade 3 in 2010 to Grade 6 in 2013

Analysis of the results will continue at the Board and school levels for contextual information to support the improvement of student achievement of all students in the Board.

The Individual Student Reports will be distributed to schools to send home to parents/guardians to support the improvement of student achievement.

Elementary schools will post EQAO results on their school websites.

The Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics report is presented for information.

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Christine Battagli, Consultant-Research, Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting

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Date: September 24, 2013

***EQAO 2012 – 2013***  
**Primary Division (Grades 1 to 3)**  
***Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics***

**Results for All Students**

<b>2012 - 2013</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	72	84	71
Province	68	77	67
Difference between NCDSB and Province	+4	+7	+4

<b>2011 - 2012</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	69	83	72
Province	66	76	68

**5 Year Trends**

<b>5 Year Trend</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	+7	+13	-4
Province	+7	+9	-3

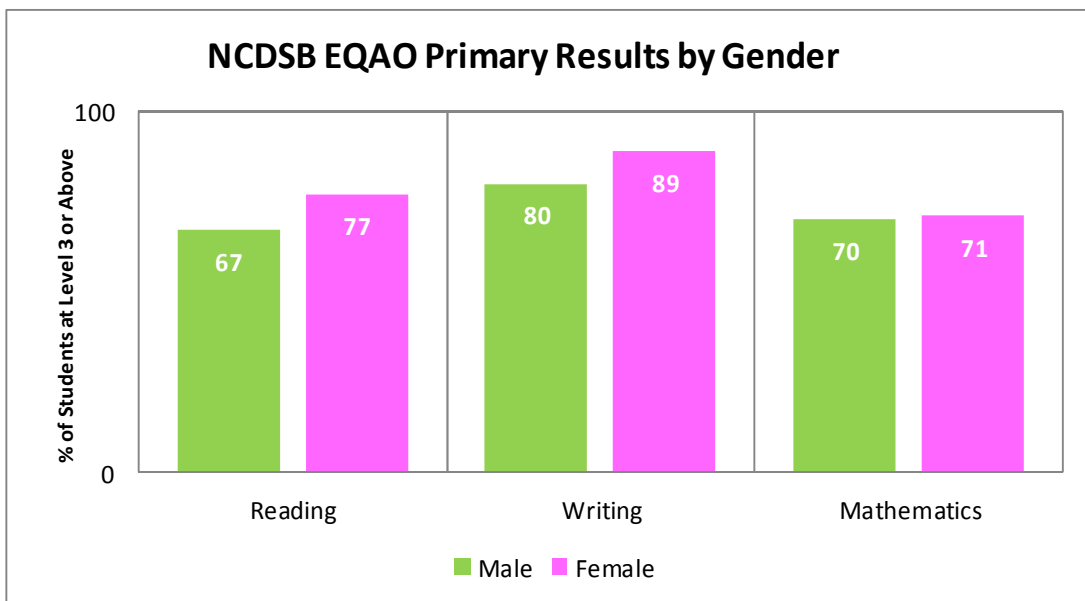
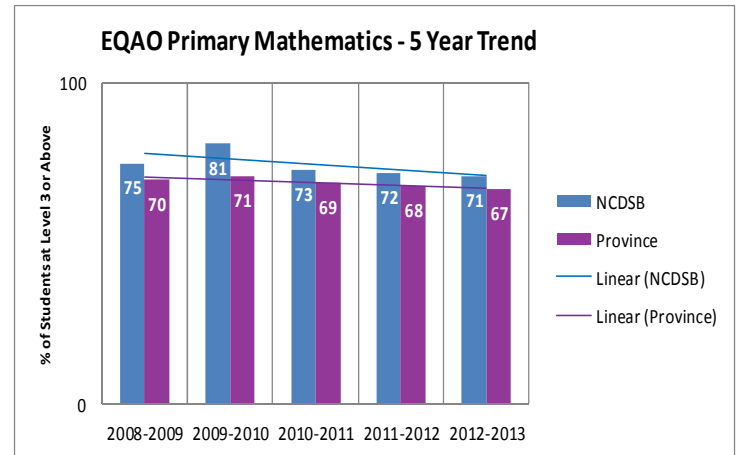
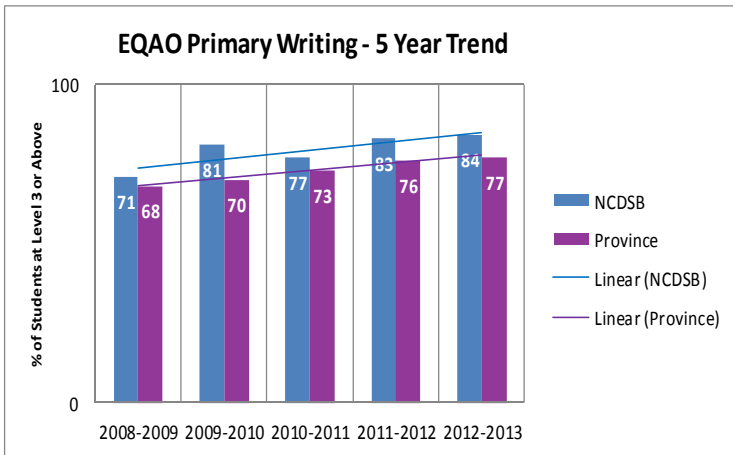
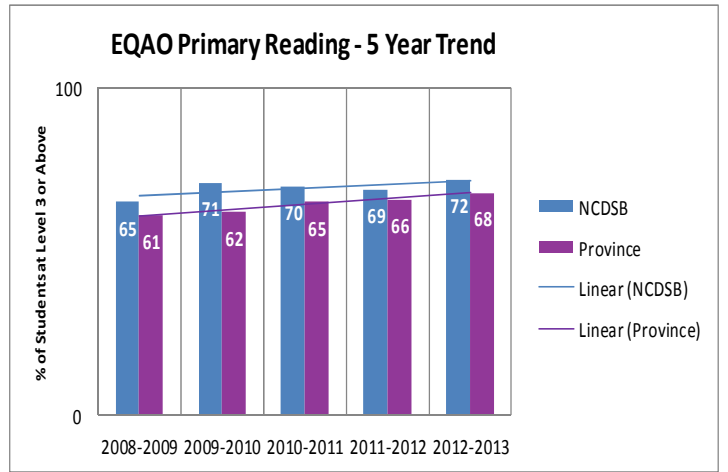
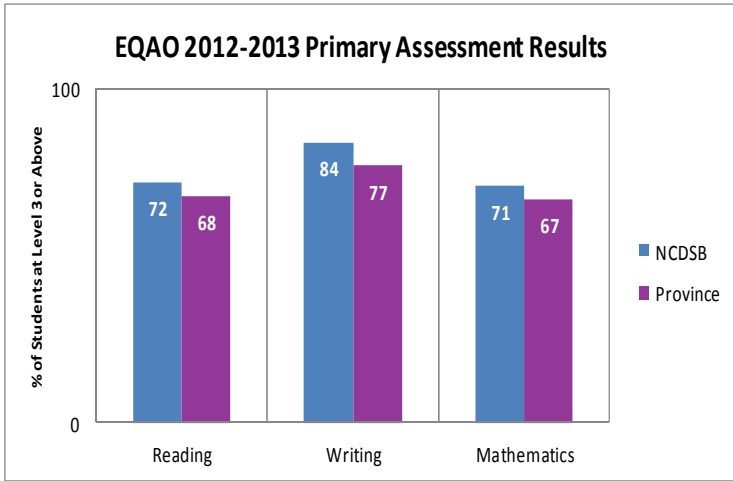
**Results based on Gender**

<b>2012 - 2013</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
Male NCDSB	67	80	70
Female NCDSB	77	89	71

**Exemption Rates**

<b>Exemption Rate</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	1	1	2

# EQAO Primary Assessment Results 2012-2013



***EQAO 2012 – 2013***  
***Junior Division (Grades 4 to 6)***  
***Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics***

**Results for All Students**

<b>2012 - 2013</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	83	86	65
Province	77	76	57
Difference between NCDSB and Province	+6	+10	+8

<b>2011 - 2012</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	79	79	62
Province	75	74	58

**5 Year Trends**

<b>5 Year Trend</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	+7	+12	-7
Province	+8	+9	-6

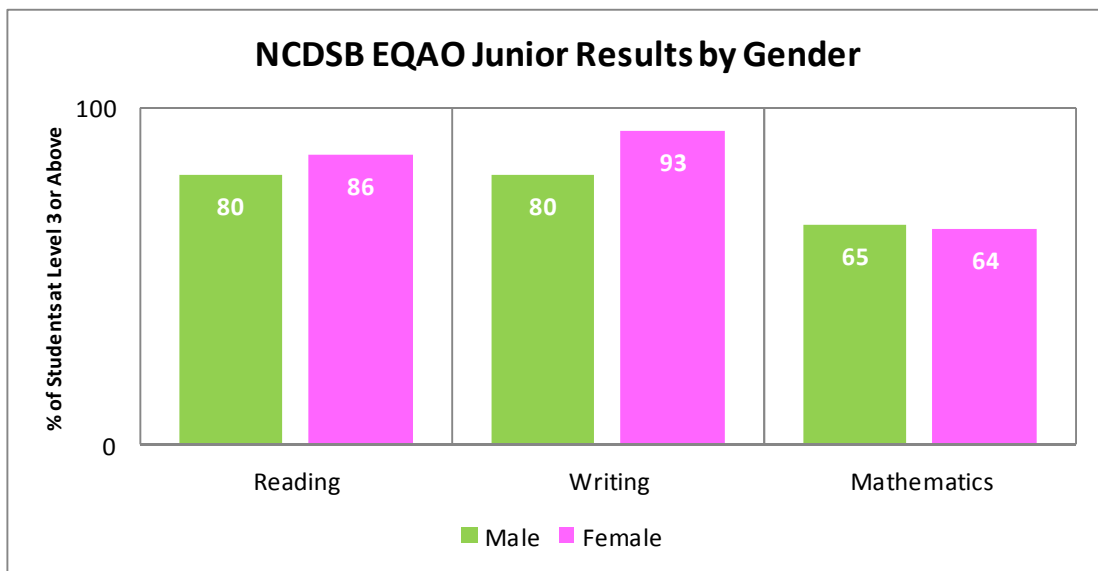
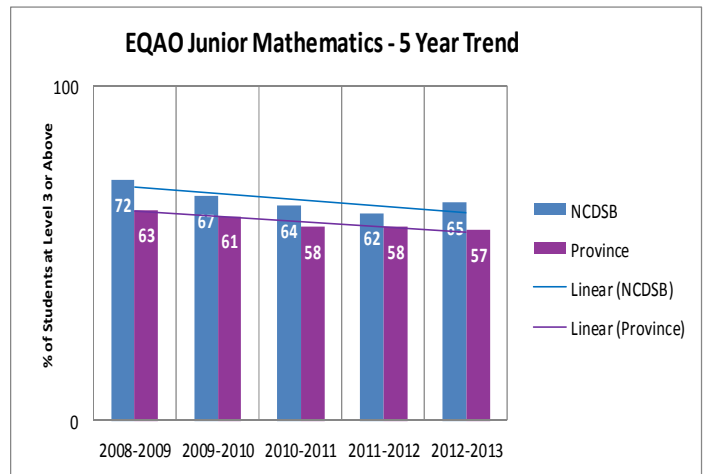
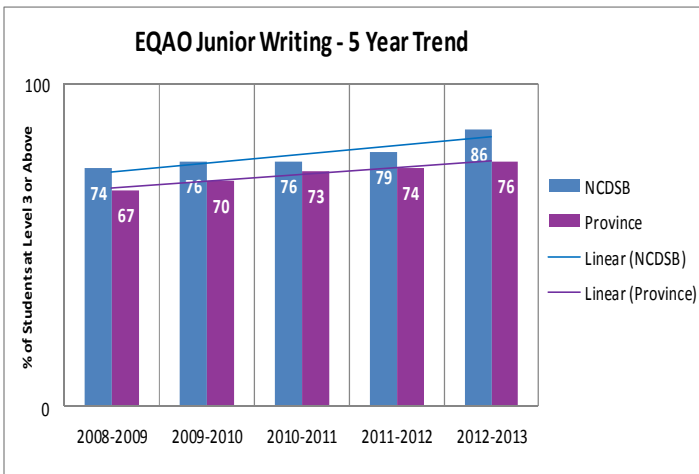
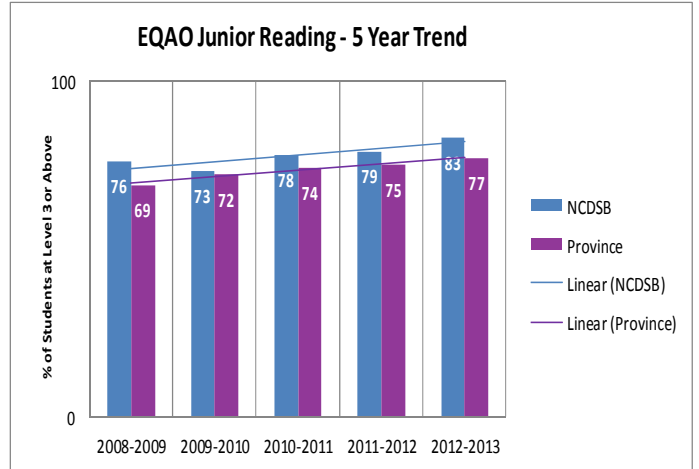
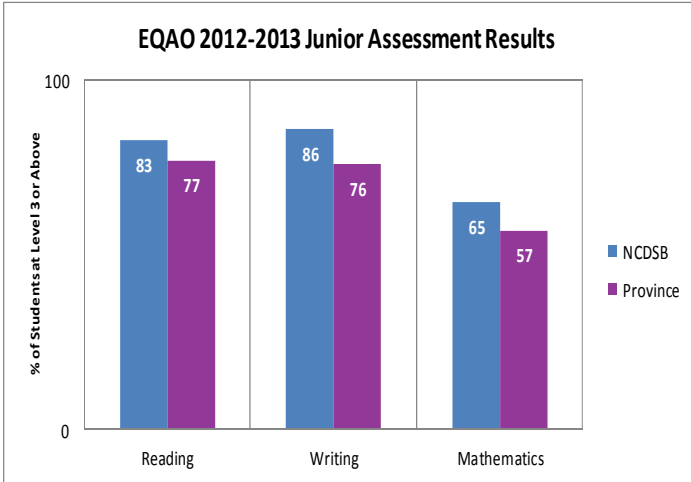
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Female NCDSB	86	93	64

**Exemption Rates**

<b>2012 - 2013</b>	<b>Reading (%)</b>	<b>Writing (%)</b>	<b>Mathematics (%)</b>
NCDSB	1	1	1

## EQAO Junior Assessment Results 2012-2013



## EQAO 2012 – 2013 Primary (Grade 1 to 3) Assessments of Reading Writing and Mathematics

### Results for All Grade 3 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)			Writing (%)			Mathematics (%)		
	2013	2012	Diff	2013	2012	Diff	2013	2012	Diff
Year	<b>72</b>	69	+3	<b>84</b>	83	+1	<b>71</b>	72	-1
Province	68	66	+2	77	76	+1	67	68	-1
% Difference with Province	+4	+3		+7	+7		+4	+4	

### 5 Year Trend for All Grade 3 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)					Writing (%)					Mathematics (%)				
	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
Years (2009 – 2013)															
<b>NCDSB</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>
Province	61	62	65	66	68	68	70	73	76	77	70	71	69	68	67
% Difference with Province	+4	+9	+5	+3	+4	+3	+11	+4	+7	+7	+5	+10	+4	+4	+4

### Gender Results for Grade 3 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Mathematics (%)
Male	67	80	70
Female	77	89	71
% Difference	10	9	1

## EQAO 2012 – 2013 Junior (Grades 4 to 6) Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics

### Results for All Grade 6 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)			Writing (%)			Mathematics (%)		
	2013	2012	Diff	2013	2012	Diff	2013	2012	Diff
<b>NCDSB</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>+4</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>+7</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>+3</b>
Province	77	75	+2	76	74	+2	57	58	-1
% Difference with Province	+6	+4		+10	+5		+8	+4	

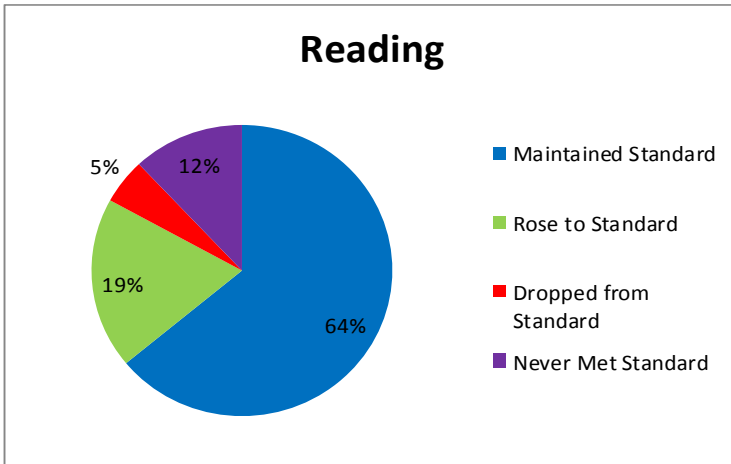
### 5 Year Trend for All Grade 6 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)					Writing (%)					Mathematics (%)				
	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(09)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
Years (2009 – 2013)															
<b>NCDSB</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>65</b>
Province	69	72	74	75	77	67	70	73	74	76	63	61	58	58	57
% Difference with Province	+7	+1	+4	+4	+6	+7	+6	+3	+5	+10	+9	+6	+6	+4	+8

### Gender Results for Grade 6 Students at Level 3 or Above

Category	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Mathematics (%)
Male	80	80	65
Female	86	93	64
% Difference	6	13	1

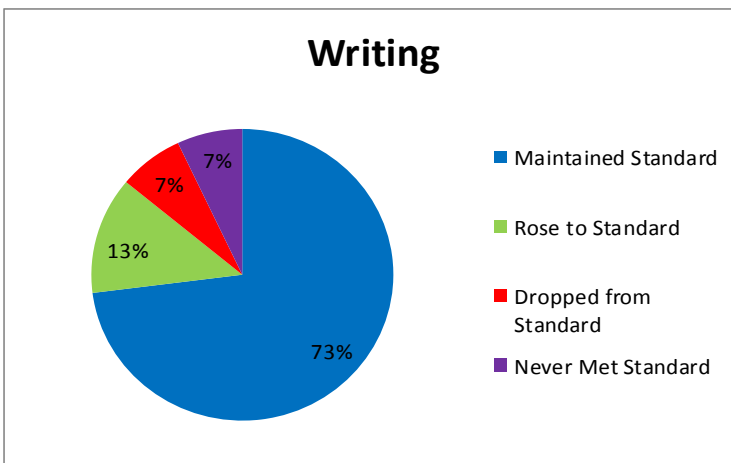
## Tracking Student Achievement in Relation to the Provincial Standard Primary Grade 3 (2009-2010) to Junior Grade 6 (2012-2013)



### Reading

The reading results for the 1549 students in the cohort are as follows:

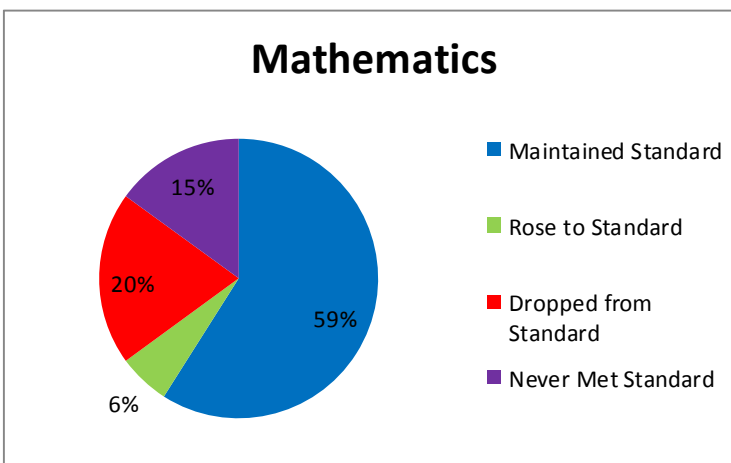
- 64% (997) achieved the provincial standard in Grade 3 and Grade 6;
- 19% (228) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 but achieved it in Grade 6;
- 5% (71) achieved the standard in Grade 3 but did not achieve it in Grade 6; and
- 12% (193) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 and did not achieve it in Grade 6.



### Writing

The writing results for the 1549 students in the cohort are as follows:

- 73% (1128) achieved the provincial standard in Grade 3 and Grade 6;
- 13% (207) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 but achieved it in Grade 6;
- 7% (104) achieved the standard in Grade 3 but did not achieve it in Grade 6; and
- 7% (110) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 and did not achieve it in Grade 6.



### Mathematics

The mathematics results for the 1548 students in the cohort are as follows:

- 59% (918) achieved the provincial standard in Grade 3 and Grade 6;
- 6% (87) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 but achieved it in Grade 6;
- 20% (317) achieved the standard in Grade 3 but did not achieve it in Grade 6; and
- 15% (226) did not achieve the standard in Grade 3 and did not achieve it in Grade 6.



**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
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**TOPIC: NIAGARA CATHOLIC STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS PRIORITY  
INDICATORS 2012-2013 - ACHIEVEMENT REPORT**

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The Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2012-2013  
- Achievement Report, is presented for information.

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Prepared by: Senior Administrative Council  
Presented by: Senior Administrative Council  
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013



## **REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 24, 2012**

### **NIAGARA CATHOLIC STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS PRIORITY INDICATORS 2012-2013 - ACHIEVEMENT REPORT**

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#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

At the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, the following motion was approved;

*THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions System Priorities 2012-2013, as presented. (Appendix A)*

The Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2012-2013 were designed to provide the annual focus for the system towards achieving the outcomes of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan. Within the two (2) Strategic Directions and the seven (7) Enabling Strategies are the approved priority indicators which provide the specific framework to measure the achievement of each direction and strategy within a specific school year.

The Board approved Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2012-2013 were posted on the Niagara Catholic website and copies were provided to all Principals, Vice-Principals, staff, Bishop Bergie, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), Catholic School Council Chairs and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC). In addition, a poster size copy of the Niagara Catholic Strategic Direction Priority Indicators 2012-2013 were mounted in public locations in all schools, Board sites and the Catholic Education Centre for review by students, staff, parents and guests to Niagara Catholic.

With the conclusion of the 2012-2013 academic year, members of Senior Administrative Council and Board staff collated, analyzed and reviewed all measurements and data gathered for the 2011-2012 school year and completed its review of the progress in achieving the indicators of success within each Strategic Direction and Enabling Strategy indicator for 2012-2013.

Attached to this report (Appendix B) is a copy of the Niagara Catholic System Priorities 2012-2013 Achievement Report. Within each Strategic Direction and Enabling Strategy is the indicator of success and comments on the measurables to determine the achievement of either “*Completed*” or “*In Progress 2013-2014*”. A copy of this final report will be provided to all Principals, Vice-Principals, Bishop Bergie, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), Catholic School Council Chairs, Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) and posted on our Board website.

Senior Administrative Council is proud of the overall achievement of the 2012-2013 System Priority Indicators as approved by the Board. Senior Staff complements Niagara Catholic students and staff for the high level of achievement and continued improvement throughout 2012-2013.

As we begin a new school year, the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan, the Board approved Strategic Directions Priority Indicators and Annual Budget for 2013-2014 along with the Board and School Improvement Plans are aligned to continue our focus on achieving the Vision Statements and Strategic Directions of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.

Senior Administrative Council will provide a mid-year review of the achievement of the Priority Indicators for the 2013-2014 academic year at the January 2014 Board Meeting and a final report for the 2013-2014 academic year at the September 2014 Board Meeting.

*Attached*

Appendix A Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2012-2013

Appendix B Niagara Catholic Strategic Directions Priority Indicators 2012-2013 Achievement Report

The Niagara Catholic Strategic Direction Priority Indicators 2012-2013 Achievement Report  
is presented for information.

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Prepared by: Senior Administrative Council

Presented by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: September 24, 2012



**NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS  
SYSTEM PRIORITIES 2012-2013**

***STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS***

***Build Strong Catholic Identity and Community To Nurture The Distinctiveness Of Catholic Education***

- To conduct a Niagara Catholic elementary and secondary Student Conference 2013 focusing on the theme of Growing in Wisdom by April 2013.
- To enhance our distinctive Catholic educational system by implementing the first year of the Niagara Catholic Faith Formation program, Growing in Wisdom to Worship and Witness by June 2013.
- To enhance our Elementary Chaplaincy Leader program in elementary schools through the addition of Elementary Chaplaincy Leaders who, through Family of Schools, will implement the Niagara Catholic Faith Formation Program and the Journey Retreat Program in all elementary schools by June 2013.
- To enhance local, national and international social justice experiences for elementary and secondary students by June 2013.

***Advance Student Achievement For All***

- To continue to support all students who are six years of age in the development of literacy skills, particularly in learning to read by June 2013.
- To continue to develop and implement specific literacy and numeracy strategies to support all students from early learning kindergarten programs to graduation by June 2013.
- To develop a school-based inquiry process focusing on mathematical processes, problem solving and communication with all secondary mathematics teachers by June 2013.
- To consolidate an inquiry based model of teaching and learning in all elementary and secondary schools by June 2013.
- To expand language acquisition for elementary and secondary students through the introduction of French Immersion at designated sites and specific international languages to meet the needs of students by June 2013.
- To nurture global citizenship of our students through enhanced national and international educational travel opportunities for students and staff by June 2013.
- To enhance e-Learning initiatives in Niagara Catholic by June 2013.
- To continue with system implementation of the Ministry of Education “Growing Success Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting in Ontario Schools” and the Niagara Catholic Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting K-12 for all schools in the Board by June 2013.
- To continue to advance student achievement with Ministry of Education, Board and School teaching and learning initiatives on the Provincial EQAO Primary and Junior Assessments, the EQAO Secondary Mathematics Assessment, the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) and classroom assessments to close the achievement gap by June 2013.
- To align and design initiatives to achieve the target of 85% graduation rate of 2012-2013 Grade 12 students by June 2013.
- To continue to advance student achievement using the Learning for All, K-12 (Draft 2011) resource as an integrated process of assessment and instruction in all elementary and secondary schools in the Board by June 2013.
- To continue to advance student achievement, through the development and implementation of the Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (BIPSA), and School Improvement Plans (SIP), for every elementary and secondary school focusing on the pillars of Catholic Faith, Community, Culture and Caring, Literacy, Numeracy, and Pathways in all schools by June 2013.

## **ENABLING STRATEGIES**

### ***Provide Supports for Success***

- To design, implement and assess the model of intervention strategies, programs and services within the Niagara Catholic Mental Health and Addictions Plan by June 2013.
- To implement the Social Workers in Schools protocol in cooperation with Pathstone Mental Health and Contact Niagara to continue to address the need for increased supports for children and youth mental health by June 2013.
- To promote and design programs and supports for healthy lifestyles of students and staff by June 2013.
- To provide continued supports and coordinate training on Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) instructional methods and resources to increase capacity of school and Board staff to use ABA methods by June 2013.

### ***Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning***

- To implement the Course Planner component of the Career Cruising platform in all secondary schools by October 2012.
- To design a technology refresh program for the Niagara Catholic Data Center by November 2012.
- To design and implement a Smart Technology Training Program for staff by December 2012.
- To design and implement a Niagara Catholic Technology Security Program by January 2013.
- To conduct Niagara Catholic Technology Conferences for staff to engage in selected technology training delivered by Board approved companies by April 2013.
- To increase the number of technological devices for optimal learning in schools by June 2013.
- To research, select and train all administrators on a student achievement software program by June 2013.

### ***Building Partnerships and Schools as Hubs***

- To continue to build capacity with Trustees, the Diocese of St. Catharines, Parishes, administrators, staff, the Student Senate, Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, Catholic School Councils, Special Education Advisory Council and parents/guardians by providing information and opportunities for dialogue on Catholic education for all students in the Niagara Catholic District School Board by June 2013.
- To develop and implement programs through the engagement of community groups and the community use of schools program to address the needs of children and families including nutrition, physical activity and literacy by June 2013.
- To continue to expand educational-based research projects in the Board, by sharing current research, and by extending research partnerships with outside agencies by June 2013.

### ***Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership***

- To implement the Niagara Catholic Attendance Support Program for staff of Niagara Catholic by September 2012.
- To further enhance the knowledge and skills of staff to achieve the annual system priorities of the Board, Human Resources will identify, design and support focused Professional Development opportunities for staff through the implementation of an electronic Professional Development Program by October 2012.
- To develop a consistent tool for the scoring, assessment and evaluation component of the interview process for all job classes within the Niagara Catholic District School Board by January 2013.
- To develop within the Employee Hiring and Selection specific Administrative Guidelines for designated non-teaching job classes by March 2013.
- To continue with the development and implementation of the second year of the Niagara Catholic Human Resources Certificate Program for all Principals, Vice-Principals and Senior Administrators by May 2013.

### ***Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources***

- To increase the knowledge, awareness and acceptance of equity and diversity initiatives with all staff and students by June 2013.
- To implement the strategies supporting equity, diversity and accessibility as identified under Catholic Faith, Community, Culture and Caring within the 2012-2013 Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement by June 2013.
- To implement a plan to identify and remove barriers to individuals with disabilities in Board facilities as identified in the 2012-2013 Niagara Catholic Accessibility Plan and the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation by August 31, 2013.

### ***Ensure Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management***

- To ensure that all Catholic Education Centre departments develop Operational Plans and review cycles, which align with the Vision 2020 Strategic Plan by October 2012.
- To consolidate key risks and mitigate budget factors into a single risk plan in connection with the annual budget for 2012-2013 by October 2012.
- To ensure that the School Generated Funds and related Procedures Manual are finalized by November 2012 and that school administration staff are trained to implement the Policy and Administrative Guidelines by March 2013.
- To initiate the upgrading of the Budgetary Accounting System Computer Program in collaboration with other school Boards through the Educational Computer Network of Ontario by June 2013.
- To continue to develop, implement and monitor the day cleaning program in all school facilities by June 2013.
- To develop and implement measurement systems for the reduction of energy consumption, diversion of waste from landfill, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and school ground greening through the Green Niagara Catholic program by June 2013.
- To comply with Ministry of Education requirements for fiscal financial management by presenting to the Board a balanced budget for 2012-2013 by June 2013.
- To ensure that the Internal Audit Plans are presented to the Audit Committee as required throughout 2012-2013.
- To ensure that the External Audit Plans are presented to the Audit Committee as required throughout 2012-2013.

### ***Address Changing Demographics***

- To develop a report on school capacities, enrolment, attendance area boundaries and building utilization with recommendations to address changing demographics within Niagara Catholic by January 31, 2013.
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**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: EXTENDED OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP, EXCURSION  
AND EXCHANGE APPROVAL COMMITTEE – 2013-2014**

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The report on the Extended Overnight Field Trip,  
Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2013-2014  
is presented for information.

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Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013





**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**EXTENDED OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP, EXCURSION AND EXCHANGE  
APPROVAL COMMITTEE – 2013-2014**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee continues to review proposals for 2012-2013 extended overnight field trips, excursions and exchanges as submitted to date. The composition of the approval Committee is as follows:

1 Supervisory Officer	-	Mark Lefebvre
1 Secondary School Vice-Principal	-	Andrew Bartley
1 Secondary School Principal	-	Jeff Smith
1 Elementary School Principal	-	Steve Ward
1 Program Department Consultant	-	Mike Sheahan

As defined in the Niagara Catholic Educational Field Trip Policy (400.2) Administrative Guidelines, an Extended Overnight Field Trip is:

- “Any school/board sponsored and supervised activity, on scheduled instructional days, beyond the school property that requires four or five more night lodgings”  
or
- “Requiring an individual flight ticket of \$600.00 or more.” (Part II, A.4)

An Excursion is defined as follows:

- “A trip not directly linked to specific subject curriculum expectations, but provided to enrich a student’s overall Catholic education. An excursion is a trip that is planned and arranged for secondary school students that would be held during the year when the students are not normally expected to be attending classes and that does not adhere to all guidelines and procedures relating to Educational Field Trips.” (Part II, A.5)

Attached to this information report is an Executive Summary of a 2012-2013 Extended Overnight Field Trip as submitted on Tuesday, September 24, 2013. (Appendix A)

The Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee –  
2013-2014 report is presented for information.

Prepared by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Presented by: Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education  
Approved by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: Tuesday, September 24, 2013



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Committee Approval – 2013-2014

SCHOOL	TYPE	APPROVAL REQUIRED	DESTINATION	CURRICULUM UNIT/THEME	EDUCATION VALUE	DATE	NUMBER OF STUDENTS, STAFF & CHAPERONES ON TRIP	DURATION	COST (APPROX)	TRANSPORTATION
Saint Paul Catholic High School, Niagara Falls	Extended Overnight Field Trip	Superintendent and Extended Overnight Field Trip Committee	Lima, Peru	Religion	Objective is to help high schools students experience a Catholic faith in action solidarity program in Lima, Peru. Students will have the opportunity to explore social justice issues, culture and faith.	Thursday, March 6 – Saturday, March 15, 2014 (March Break)	20 students 3 staff	9 nights 10 days (0 school days)	Approximately \$2,540.00 per person – flight, accommodations, meals, transportation, travel/health insurance, bus transportation.  Approximately \$71.00 – two meals in Cusco, airport taxes when leaving Lima, Peru to return to Toronto.  Additional personal spending money.	Air, bus
Saint Michael Catholic High School, Niagara Falls	Extended Overnight Field Trip	Superintendent and Extended Overnight Field Trip Committee	New York City, New York, USA	Social Science, Art	Students will develop a better understanding and appreciation of the multicultural diversity of North America in order to develop a tolerance and respect for other cultures. They will develop their cultural awareness through exposure to arts and drama, learn about historical events which have an impact on our globalized world and deepen their faith dimension.	Wednesday, April 30 – Sunday, May 4, 2014	45 students 3 staff	4 nights 5 days (3 school days)	Approximately \$675.00 per person – transportation, accommodations, 4 breakfasts, 3 dinners, entrance to museums, attractions and Broadway play.  Approximately \$30.00 – cancellation insurance.  Additional personal spending money.	Coach bus

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**TOPIC: FINANCIAL REPORTS  
MONTHLY BANKING TRANSACTIONS  
JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the report on the Monthly Banking Transactions for the months of June, July & August 2013, as presented.

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Prepared by: William Tumath, Manager of Accounting Services  
Presented by: Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services  
Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013  
MONTHLY BANKING TRANSACTIONS  
FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2013**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In accordance with the Monthly Financial Reports Policy Statement, we are pleased to enclose the Monthly Banking Transactions for the Niagara Catholic District School Board for the months of June, July and August 2013 as follows:

June 2013      Appendix A  
July 2013      Appendix B  
August 2013    Appendix C

As required by the Policy, a monthly list of payments is available in the Holy Cross Community Room for the Trustees to review at their convenience.

**RECOMMENDATION**

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Recommended by:      John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date:                      September 24, 2013



Appendix B

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON BANKING TRANSACTIONS	
SUMMARY OF BANK TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF: JULY, 2013	
DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS	BANK ACCOUNT
<b>CASH BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF MONTH</b>	<b>(A) 28,110,243</b>
<b>OPERATING CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH</b>	
1. GENERAL LEGISLATIVE GRANTS	11,306,709
2. CAPITAL GRANTS	2,957,984
3. OTHER GRANTS (EPO)	10,600
<b>SUB-TOTAL - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION GRANTS</b>	<b>14,275,273</b>
4. ONTARIO EARLY YEARS CENTRE	41,782
5. INTEREST REVENUE	17,790
6. MUNICIPAL TAXES	0
7. TUITION FEES REVENUE - A.C.E. & OTHER	365,713
8. COMMUNITY USE	16,591
9. CHARITABLE DONATIONS	0
10. GOVERNMENT REBATES (HST 83% REBATE ON TAXABLE PURCHASES)	0
11. RECOVERY OF COSTS (LTD, WCB, BENEFITS, OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS)	161,464
12. OTHER CASH RECEIPTS	
- Reimbursements of Employee Benefits	546
- Donations Collected from Employees - Other	0
- Other	0
13. TRANSFER IN FROM SINKING FUNDS	0
14. PROCEEDS FROM DEBENTURE ISSUE (NET)	0
15. CAPITAL LOAN PRINCIPAL ADVANCES	0
<b>TOTAL OPERATING CASH RECEIPTS AND LOAN ADVANCE</b>	<b>(B) 14,679,160</b>
<b>OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH</b>	
1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (NET OF CANCELLED CHEQUES AND DEBT REPAYMENTS)	(17,627,106)
2. TEACHER PENSION DEDUCTIONS	(1,285,202)
3. O.M.E.R.S. PENSION DEDUCTIONS	(587,167)
4. CANADA SAVINGS BONDS DEDUCTIONS	(85,395)
5. TRANSFER TO 4 over 5 ACCOUNTS	(65,883)
6. OTHER DEBITS	(54,462)
7. TRANSFER TO SINKING FUNDS	0
8. INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT	(174,957)
9. PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT	(135,710)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>(C) (20,015,881)</b>
<b>CASH BALANCE AT END OF MONTH</b>	<b>A + B - C = D (D) 22,973,522</b>

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON LOAN BALANCES				
SUMMARY OF LOAN BALANCES AS AT: JULY, 2013				
The Debentures & Capital Loans are made up as follows:				
Loan Description	Opening Balance	Loan Advances	Loan Repayments	Ending Balance
1. OFA - GPL1 Loan 25 YR.	(11,715,595.41)			(11,715,595.41)
2. OFA - GPL2 Loan 25 YR.	(9,129,810.61)			(9,129,810.61)
3. OFA - GPL3 Loan 25 YR.	(4,261,508.90)			(4,261,508.90)
4. OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - GPL 3	(1,271,400.76)			(1,271,400.76)
5. OFA - 2010-11 DEBENTURE - PCS 1	(3,150,705.28)			(3,150,705.28)
6. OFA - PTR - Completed 2010/11	(7,817,058.21)			(7,817,058.21)
7. OFA - 2001-A1 Debenture	(2,083,781.79)			(2,083,781.79)
8. OFA - 2013 PCS Stage 1	(960,869.00)			(960,869.00)
9. Debenture (Niagara Region)	(1,187,000.00)			(1,187,000.00)
10. Debenture (Niagara Region)	(1,800,000.00)			(1,800,000.00)
11. Capital Projects - Completed 2001	(13,164,720.62)			(13,164,720.62)
12. Capital Projects - Completed 2002/03	(19,935,187.94)			(19,935,187.94)
13. Capital Projects - Completed 2004/05	(8,477,811.26)			(8,477,811.26)
14. Capital Projects - Completed 2005/06	(7,306,803.80)		135,710.40	(7,170,893.40)
15. Sinking Fund Asset	1,265,894.06			1,265,894.06
<b>Total Debentures &amp; Capital Loans</b>	<b>(90,995,839.52)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>135,710.40</b>	<b>(90,860,229.12)</b>

PREPARED BY: William Tumath  
PRESENTED BY: Giancarlo Vetrone

Appendix C

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT ON BANKING TRANSACTIONS	
SUMMARY OF BANK TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF:	
AUGUST, 2013	
DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS	BANK ACCOUNT
CASH BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF MONTH	(A) 22,973,622
<b>OPERATING CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH</b>	
1. GENERAL LEGISLATIVE GRANTS	11,008,598
2. CAPITAL GRANTS	287,645
3. OTHER GRANTS (EPO)	811,073
<b>SUB-TOTAL - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION GRANTS</b>	<b>12,108,216</b>
4. ONTARIO EARLY YEARS CENTRE	41,782
5. INTEREST REVENUE	23,865
6. MUNICIPAL TAXES	0
7. TUITION FEES REVENUE - A.C.E. & OTHER	293,431
8. COMMUNITY USE	1,794
9. CHARITABLE DONATIONS	0
10. GOVERNMENT REBATES (HST 83% REBATE ON TAXABLE PURCHASES)	671,685
11. RECOVERY OF COSTS (LTD, WCB, BENEFITS, OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS)	575,426
12. OTHER CASH RECEIPTS	
- Reimbursements of Employee Benefits	2,771
- Donations Collected from Employees - Other	
- Sale of Land - Vacant Land - Mountain Rd. Beamsville	232,789
13. TRANSFER IN FROM SINKING FUNDS	0
14. PROCEEDS FROM DEBENTURE ISSUE (NET)	
15. CAPITAL LOAN PRINCIPAL ADVANCES	
<b>TOTAL OPERATING CASH RECEIPTS AND LOAN ADVANCE</b>	<b>(B) 13,951,780</b>
<b>OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH</b>	
1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (NET OF CANCELLED CHEQUES AND DEBT REPAYMENTS)	(16,866,436)
2. TEACHER PENSION DEDUCTIONS	(1,784,380)
3. O.M.E.R.S. PENSION DEDUCTIONS	(257,341)
4. CANADA SAVINGS BONDS DEDUCTIONS	(114,574)
5. TRANSFER TO 4 OVER 5 TRUST ACCOUNTS	(90,060)
6. OTHER DEBITS - Canada Revenue Agency (Employee Deductions)	(23,418)
7. TRANSFER TO SINKING FUNDS	0
8. INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT	0
9. PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON CAPITAL DEBT	0
<b>TOTAL OPERATING CASH DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>(C) (19,135,219)</b>
CASH BALANCE AT END OF MONTH	4 A + B - C = D (D) 17,790,063

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PREPARED BY: William Tumath  
 PRESENTED BY: Giancarlo Vetrone

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**TOPIC: FINANCIAL REPORTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENDITURES  
AUGUST 31, 2013**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at August 31, 2013, as presented.

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Prepared by: William Tumath, Manager of Accounting Services  
Presented by: Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services  
Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013



**REPORT TO THE BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENDITURES  
AS AT AUGUST 31, 2013**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In accordance with the Monthly Financial Reports Policy Statement, please be advised that a summarized Statement of Revenue and Expenditures by Department as at August 31, 2013 will be presented to the Trustees at the Board Meeting.

As required by the Policy, a copy of the Financial Statement is available in the Holy Cross Community Room for the Trustees to review at their convenience.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at August 31, 2013 as presented.

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Prepared by: William Tumath, Manager of Accounting Services  
Presented by: Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services  
Recommended by: John Crocco, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: September 24, 2013



## Appendix A

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES - CLOSED  
SUMMARY STATEMENT  
AS AT AUGUST 31, 2013**

For Board Presentation September 24, 2013

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	THIS YEAR			CHANGES	LAST YEAR		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT		EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
<b>REVENUE</b>							
REVENUE	-252,039,097	-251,780,708	-0.1%		-260,962,004	-250,504,359	-4.2%
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>-252,039,097</b>	<b>-251,780,708</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>		<b>-260,962,004</b>	<b>-250,504,359</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
BOARD ADMINISTRATION	7,854,174	7,371,598	-6.5%		7,942,376	8,010,826	0.9%
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	122,823,281	124,939,319	1.7%		114,689,688	122,343,045	6.3%
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	69,185,169	69,371,333	0.3%		70,181,937	68,803,010	-2.0%
CONTINUING EDUCATION	5,797,269	5,834,515	0.6%		6,064,442	6,131,132	1.1%
PLANT OPERATIONS	17,639,713	16,903,100	-4.4%		17,911,849	17,997,907	0.5%
PLANT MAINTENANCE	3,601,339	3,645,292	1.2%		3,498,751	3,390,846	-3.2%
TRANSPORTATION	9,902,547	9,539,412	-3.8%		10,367,006	10,102,839	-2.8%
CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	14,121,917	14,176,139	0.4%		22,569,852	13,724,754	-64.4%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>250,925,309</b>	<b>251,780,708</b>	<b>0.3%</b>		<b>253,246,101</b>	<b>250,504,359</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>
UNFUNDED LIABILITY UNPOSTED AMORTIZATION	1,113,788				0		
<b>TOTAL ADJUSTED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>252,039,097</b>				<b>253,246,101</b>		
<b>CURRENT YEAR ESTIMATED SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>0</b>				<b>-7,716,903</b>		

PREPARED BY : William Tumath  
Finance Department

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE			LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT   CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - TRUSTEES	223,385	232,744	4.0	252,585	215,744	17.1-
SALARY & BEN - SENIOR STAFF	1,335,496	1,343,673	0.6	1,513,982	1,498,161	1.1-
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	1,569,247	1,619,022	3.1	1,550,091	1,578,425	1.8
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	454,598	329,910	37.8-	389,160	361,068	7.8-
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	1,949,065	1,931,361	0.9-	2,055,007	2,358,107	12.9
TEMPORARY STAFF	73,561	64,388	14.3-	74,831	64,321	16.3-
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	56,417	62,500	9.7	76,363	60,000	27.3-
SUPPLIES - ADMINISTRATION	482,931	472,500	2.2-	504,013	487,500	3.4-
SUPPLIES - HUMAN RESOURCES	25,289	20,000	26.5-	22,714	20,000	13.6-
SUPPLIES - COMPUTER SERVICE	225,494	62,500	260.8-	99,671	62,500	59.5-
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	467,424	380,000	23.0-	449,463	380,000	18.3-
SUPPLIES - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	82,153	50,000	64.3-	76,471	50,000	52.9-
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	52,122	48,000	8.6-	47,635	155,000	69.3
FEES & CONTRACTS	829,195	715,000	16.0-	806,905	675,000	19.5-
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES	27,797	40,000	30.5	23,485	45,000	47.8
<b>TOTAL - BOARD ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>7,854,174</b>	<b>7,371,598</b>	<b>6.6- </b>	<b>7,942,376</b>	<b>8,010,826</b>	<b>0.9</b>

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
CLASSROOM TEACHERS	82,664,731	83,415,659	0.9		74,621,392	83,158,242	10.3
OCCASSIONAL TEACHERS	2,719,316	2,926,379	7.1		3,394,499	3,592,748	5.5
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	17,093,994	16,982,224	0.7-		15,406,015	15,294,372	0.7-
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	3,058,805	2,748,289	11.3-		3,134,662	2,579,397	21.5-
LIBRARY TECHNICIANS	1,942,599	2,051,968	5.3		2,035,875	2,055,961	1.0
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	7,597,069	7,259,793	4.7-		7,523,734	7,222,285	4.2-
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	2,398,053	2,575,112	6.9		2,439,157	2,496,710	2.3
TEACHER CONSULTANTS	1,151,482	1,109,941	3.7-		1,539,033	994,429	54.8-
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	9,007	0	0.0		0	0	0.0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	181,433	430,000	57.8		279,097	430,000	35.1
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	738,163	1,555,000	52.5		1,071,636	1,068,000	0.3-
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	1,300,346	1,492,869	12.9		1,611,366	1,530,010	5.3-
PROGRAM SUPPLIES	129,534	195,000	33.6		204,067	186,000	9.7-
SCHOOL ADMIN. SUPPLIES	367,143	380,000	3.4		452,146	400,000	13.0-
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	1,047,387	1,119,976	6.5		537,064	638,147	15.8
COMPUTERS - NON CLASSROOM	21,887	49,956	56.2		0	49,956	100.0
F & E - CLASSROOM	377,719	604,939	37.6		423,538	604,658	30.0
F & E - NON CLASSROOM	24,613	42,214	41.7		16,609	42,130	60.6
<b>TOTAL - ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>122,823,281</b>	<b>124,939,319</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b> </b>	<b>114,689,890</b>	<b>122,343,045</b>	<b>6.3</b>

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
CLASSROOM TEACHERS	48,363,418	48,660,862	0.6		49,253,393	48,358,132	1.9-
OCCASSIONAL TEACHERS	1,735,224	1,656,678	4.7-		2,123,497	2,157,811	1.6
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	4,865,032	4,747,417	2.5-		4,781,669	4,574,629	4.5-
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	1,286,195	1,419,447	9.4		1,246,009	1,433,411	13.1
LIBRARY TECHNICIANS	414,218	408,900	1.3-		401,476	404,382	0.7
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	3,012,536	3,018,686	0.2		3,020,922	3,031,525	0.4
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	2,052,859	2,054,006	0.1		2,090,355	2,026,523	3.2-
TEACHER CONSULTANTS	657,034	901,065	27.1		847,103	897,114	5.6
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	12,386	0	0.0		0	0	0.0
LIBRARY & GUIDANCE - TEACHING	2,781,467	1,923,258	44.6-		2,303,557	1,912,692	20.4-
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	65,535	120,000	45.4		72,385	120,000	39.7
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	1,757,347	2,076,227	15.4		1,910,919	1,735,077	10.1-
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	1,362,792	1,370,613	0.6		1,488,599	1,392,741	6.9-
PROGRAM SUPPLIES	26,108	66,091	60.5		42,928	66,000	35.0
SCHOOL ADMIN. SUPPLIES	235,326	204,998	14.8-		230,798	194,000	19.0-
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	388,711	545,476	28.7		230,566	299,060	22.9
COMPUTERS - NON CLASSROOM	11,587	25,000	53.7		0	25,000	100.0
F & E - CLASSROOM	72,755	80,240	9.3		52,461	82,212	36.2
F & E - NON CLASSROOM	1,639	20,369	92.0		0	20,701	100.0
FEES & CONTRACTS	83,000	72,000	15.3-		85,300	72,000	18.5-
<b>TOTAL - SECONDARY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>69,185,169</b>	<b>69,371,333</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b> </b>	<b>70,181,937</b>	<b>68,803,010</b>	<b>2.0-</b>

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
TEACHER ASSISTANTS	50,662	36,978	37.0-		45,495	30,800	47.7-
PROFESSIONAL STAFF	107,193	104,500	2.6-		106,955	105,440	1.4-
LIBRARY TECHNICIANS	88	0	0.0		0	0	0.0
PRINCIPALS & V.PS.	473,726	355,614	33.2-		569,948	490,884	16.1-
SCHOOL SECRETARIES	410,974	397,475	3.4-		349,925	399,032	12.3
TEMPORARY STAFF	56,711	22,616	150.8-		54,564	38,157	43.0-
GRANT OFFICERS	15,619	16,167	3.4		35,112	70,540	50.2
A.E. TEACHERS / INSTRUCTORS	3,686,348	3,732,196	1.2		3,962,687	4,056,207	2.3
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	13,634	20,300	32.8		13,809	14,750	6.4
PROGRAM CLASSROOM RESOURCE	304,270	429,390	29.1		306,414	386,680	20.8
CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	620,823	679,279	8.6		612,798	532,642	15.1-
COMPUTERS - CLASSROOM	54,949	40,000	37.4-		1,746	4,000	56.4
F & E - CLASSROOM	0	0	0.0		51	0	0.0
FEES & CONTRACTS	2,272	0	0.0		4,939	2,000	147.0-
<b>TOTAL - CONTINUING EDUCATION</b>	<b>5,797,269</b>	<b>5,834,515</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b> </b>	<b>6,064,443</b>	<b>6,131,132</b>	<b>1.1</b>

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**UPDATED UNAUDITED EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - CLOSED**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**PLANT OPERATIONS**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	806,627	866,501	6.9		817,549	883,674	7.5
SALARY & BEN - CARETAKERS	5,327,615	5,336,302	0.2		5,279,502	5,466,685	3.4
SALARY & BEN - CLEANERS	4,468,325	4,251,280	5.1-		4,548,568	4,268,355	6.6-
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	113,241	196,517	42.4		111,500	200,193	44.3
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	7,946	10,000	20.5		8,381	10,000	16.2
SUPPLIES - UTILITIES	4,287,216	3,370,000	27.2-		4,159,878	4,600,000	9.6
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	863,065	762,500	13.2-		983,545	712,500	38.0-
SUPPLIES - GROUNDS	638,731	875,000	27.0		614,715	770,000	33.2
F & E - PLANT OPERATIONS	503,842	675,000	25.4		922,790	526,500	75.3-
FEES & CONTRACTS	623,105	560,000	11.3-		565,421	560,000	1.0-
<b>TOTAL - PLANT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>17,639,713</b>	<b>16,903,100</b>	<b>4.4-</b>	<b> </b>	<b>17,911,849</b>	<b>17,997,907</b>	<b>0.5</b>

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**PLANT MAINTENANCE**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	519,809	510,573	1.8-		514,447	505,303	1.8-
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	1,027,116	1,079,870	4.9		1,041,930	1,064,020	2.1
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	93,092	78,985	17.9-		106,294	78,172	36.0-
TEMPORARY STAFF	10,937	5,364	103.9-		32,611	5,351	509.5-
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	4,699	7,500	37.3		648	7,500	91.4
SUPPLIES - PLANT OPERATIONS	218,743	400,000	45.3		297,375	400,000	25.7
SUPPLIES - GROUNDS	158,744	180,000	11.8		157,212	180,000	12.7
SUPPLIES - PLANT MAINTENANCE	181,031	169,000	7.1-		171,893	159,000	8.1-
SUPPLIES - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,259,043	1,102,500	14.2-		1,090,119	880,000	23.9-
F & E - PLANT MAINTENANCE	34,055	36,500	6.7		12,293	36,500	66.3
FEES & CONTRACTS	94,070	75,000	25.4-		73,931	75,000	1.4
<b>TOTAL - PLANT MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>3,601,339</b>	<b>3,645,292</b>	<b>1.2  </b>	<b> </b>	<b>3,498,753</b>	<b>3,390,846</b>	<b>3.2-</b>

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
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**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
SALARY & BEN - MANAGERS	82,843	115,222	28.1		81,980	117,590	30.3
SALARY & BEN - TECHNICAL	68,889	172,959	60.2		68,257	176,514	61.3
SALARY & BEN - CLERICAL	0	22,760	100.0		0	23,508	100.0
SUPPLIES - ADMINISTRATION	450	75,707	99.4		249	74,278	99.7
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	0	12,675	100.0		0	12,675	100.0
FEES & CONTRACTS	9,750,365	9,140,089	6.7-		10,236,520	9,698,274	5.6-
<b>TOTAL - TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>9,902,547</b>	<b>9,539,412</b>	<b>3.8-</b>	<b> </b>	<b>10,387,006</b>	<b>10,102,839</b>	<b>2.8-</b>



**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
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**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**  
**CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITURES**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE		
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT	CHANGES	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% LEFT
GOOD PLACES TO LEARN	1,823,721	1,933,974	5.7		2,255,455	1,688,284	33.6-
FACILITY RENEWAL PROJECTS	0	624,666	100.0		0	733,751	100.0
DEBT CHARGES BEFORE MAY, 1998	294,405	311,506	5.5		346,989	376,880	7.9
DEBT CHARGES AFTER MAY, 1998	117,487	117,487	0.0		117,487	117,487	0.0
NEW PUPIL PLACES	2,889,650	2,191,952	31.8-		3,012,275	2,465,060	22.2-
AMORTIZATION & NET LOSS DISPOSALS	8,996,554	8,996,554	0.0		8,840,430	8,343,292	6.0-
SGF - SCHOOL GENERATED FUNDS	0	0	0.0		7,997,216	0	0.0
<b>TOTAL - CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITUR</b>	<b>14,121,817</b>	<b>14,176,139</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b> </b>	<b>22,569,852</b>	<b>13,724,754</b>	<b>64.5-</b>

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**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED: AUGUST 31, 2013**

ACCOUNT	THIS YEAR TO DATE				LAST YEAR TO DATE			
	EXPENDED	BUDGET	% Left		CHANGES		EXPENDED	BUDGET
<b>GRAND TOTAL-</b>	250,925,309	251,780,708	0.3			253,246,101	250,504,359	-1.1

Prepared by : William Tumath  
 Finance Department

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: CORRESPONDENCE  
MINISTER OF EDUCATION – THANK YOU FOR INVITATION  
TO VISIT NIAGARA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

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June 12, 2013

Ms. Kathy Burtnik  
Chair of the Board  
Niagara Catholic District School Board  
427 Rice Road  
Welland ON L3C 7C1

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy".

Dear Ms. Burtnik,

Thank you for your invitation, and also for your kind words of congratulations expressed in your letter.

We have reviewed your request inviting me to visit your schools. I would be happy to visit schools in your board when my schedule permits me to be in the area. In the meantime, I invite you to contact Rebecca Deplanque in my office at [Rebecca.Deplanque@ontario.ca](mailto:Rebecca.Deplanque@ontario.ca).

I appreciate receiving the open invitation. I look forward to continuing to work with all of our education partners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Liz Sandals".

Liz Sandals  
Minister

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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**NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**Nurturing  
SOULS  
&  
Building**

# October 2013

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1	2	3	4	5 World Teacher's Day
6	7	8 Art & Soul at Jericho House CW Meeting	9 Art & Soul at Jericho House	10 Director's Inspiration Award Mass & Presentation	11 Elementary & Secondary P.A. Day	12
13	14 Thanksgiving Day	15	16 Niagara Catholic Hosts OYAP Conference	17 Niagara Catholic Hosts OYAP Conference	18 Niagara Catholic Hosts OYAP Conference	19
20	21	22 Policy Committee Meeting Board Meeting	23	24 When Faith Meets Pedagogy	25 When Faith Meets Pedagogy	26
27 Niagara Catholic Pilgrimage	28	29 Niagara Catholic Student Symposium	30	31 Happy Halloween!		

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
CITY OF WELLAND – ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE – CULTURE DAYS**

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*Arts & Culture*  
**Advisory Committee**

June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Dear Mr John Crocco, Director and Secretary-Treasurer:

The City of Welland thanks the Niagara Catholic District School Board for joining us in celebrating Cultural Days 2012 in Welland last year. Five elementary schools participated in the mural project, *Re-Imaging the World of 1812*, each sending a team of students to the Wellness Centre to depict an aspect of Niagara's most significant historical event. The city congratulates the schools, staff members and principals for their collaboration and involvement which made the day an important success: Mary Lou Vescio (Alexander Kuska), Terry Antoniou (Holy Name), Carla Bianca (St Andrew), Mary Kay Kalagian (St Augustine) and Enrico Schirru (St Kevin). Ralph DeFazio (Notre Dame College School) sent a team of art students to assist during the day. The excellent partnership between Niagara Catholic and the City of Welland contributed to the creation of art works related to a key event in our history.

The City is pleased to announce that it will host the fourth annual Culture Days event on Friday, September 28th, 2013 at the Welland Community Wellness Complex. Our theme this year is *Exploring the Faces of Cultural Wellness* in our community. This year, the secondary schools will be invited to send a small troupe of their drama students to present an excerpt from one of their plays. This could also serve as a forum for advertising an event to occur later in the year.

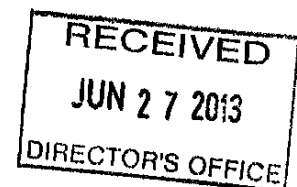
We hope that you will lend strong support to this event. We will contact each principal to determine interest and secure a commitment to participate. Participating schools will be posted on the website at [culturedays.ca](http://culturedays.ca).

We thank you for your role in advancing the profile of arts and culture in our community. Should you require more information please contact Jessica Duliban, Arts & Culture Coordinator at [jessica.duliban@welland.ca](mailto:jessica.duliban@welland.ca)

Yours sincerely,

*George Doros*

George Doros  
Chair, Arts and Culture Advisory Committee.







*Explore the Faces, Places and Spaces of  
Welland's Culture*

Location: Welland Community Wellness Complex,  
145 Lincoln Street

Culture Day: Saturday, September 28

**2013 APPLICATION FORM**

Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day time Evening

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please  target audience:  Child  Youth  Adult  50 Plus  Family

Check all that best describes what you have to offer:

- Drama  Theatre  Art  Watercolour  Oil  Acrylic  Fiber  Paper  
 Dance  Ethnic  Hip Hop  Jazz  Ballroom  Culinary  Interactive  
 Performance  Historical  Craft  Beading  Knit/Crochet/Tatting  Weaving  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of your activity/display/demonstration. (Note: Stage performances are 20 mins.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe brief participation component (Q&A, sing-a-long etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

Needs:  \_\_\_\_\_ Table(s),  \_\_\_\_\_ chair(s),  stage,  out of doors  indoors  power source

Other \_\_\_\_\_

\*Cost: Culture Day activities are Free to the Public. There may be financial assistance for materials

Return completed form to Arts & Culture Advisory Committee, Welland Community Wellness Complex, 145 Lincoln Street by July 26th, 2013 or e-mail [artsandculture@welland.ca](mailto:artsandculture@welland.ca) or Fax: 905-732-6187

**CITY OF WELLAND**  
Recreation & Culture Division  
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Welland, ON L3B 6E1



**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
OCSTA CENTRAL REGION MEETING, OSHAWA  
OCTOBER 1, 2013**

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Ontario Catholic School  
Trustees' Association

**2013 FALL REGIONAL MEETINGS**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

- 9:45-10:00 A.M.    **REGISTRATION** (*Coffee & Muffins*)
- 10:00                **WELCOME**—*OCSTA President & Chair of Host Board*  
**GATHERING PRAYER**—*Noel Martin, Director of Catholic Education, OCSTA*
- 10:10                **FAITH DEVELOPMENT**—**I AM AMONG YOU AS ONE WHO SERVES [LUKE: 22:27]**—*Noel Martin*
- Pope Francis said at his Inauguration Mass that authentic power is service. Christ-like authority has its focus not on position and status but on those others who will benefit from the gifts of those who are called to service.
- 11:00                **PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND Q & A**—*Marino Gazzola*
- An overview of the current issues in education being addressed by OCSTA.
- 11:45                LUNCH, INFORMAL DISCUSSION & NETWORKING**
- 12:30 P.M.        **BOARD PRESENTATIONS**
- What is the most important issue facing your board today?
- 2:00                 BREAK**
- 2:15                 **GROUP DISCUSSION [TOPICS WILL BE PROVIDED IN ADVANCE]**—*Kevin Kobus*
- a. Open Access
  - b. Other Topics Submitted by Boards
- 3:30 P.M.         **CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT**—*Kathy Burtnik*