



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF THE
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, November 13, 2023
School library**

Minutes of the Meeting of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council, held on September 26, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Stephanie Bays.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Annette Filice

2. Roll Call

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/Vice-Principal Secretary/Treasurer	T. Atkinson	√		
Chair				
Co-Chairs	Stephanie Bays, Leanne Prince, Kayla Walsh	√√√		
Teacher Representative	A. Felice	√		
Non-Teaching Representative	H. Humphreys	√		
Parish Representative				
OAPCE Representative	M. Bowker	√		
Melissa Bowker		√		
Justin Caron				√
Kathleen Ciccotti		√		
Jenna Graham				√
Melanie Harris		√		
Kristy McNally				√
Breia Merla				√
Marlies Nanninga				√
Andrea Piché				√
Chris Piché				√
Sarah Veld				√
Nicole Wikkerink				√

Non-Voting members in attendance: Christina Angelini and Jenny Campos

Minutes of the Meeting taken by H. Humphreys

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Leanne Prince

Seconded by Kayla Walsh

THAT the St. Joseph Catholic School Council approve the Agenda of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting of September 26, 2017.

4. Disclosure of Interest

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

5. Approval of Minutes of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting of March 28, 2017

Moved by Leanne Prince

Seconded by Kayla Walsh

THAT St. Joseph Catholic School Council approve the Minutes of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council Meeting.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. ST JOSEPH TEACHER REPORT

- a. First Communion preparation is under way
- b. Halloween Dance – primary classes visited Maplecrest Retirement home
- c. Volley tournament-kids have been practicing
- d. Remembrance Day ceremony went well, grade 7's led the ceremony.
- e. Grimsby Celebration Choir on December 9th 6-9 pm, Mrs. Hibbitt helping to prep students – Mrs. Filice to ask if our families may leave once their children are done singing??
- f. Numeracy and literacy skills ongoing

C. POLICIES FOR VETTING FEEDBACK –

1. Safe-and-Accepting-Schools-Policy-302.6-1.
2. Secondary Dress Code Policy 302.6.6
3. CORPORATE CARDS, PURCHASING CARDS AND PETTY CASH POLICY 600.4

D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Report
 - Set new year-3 sub committees open to all Faith Formation
 - Project Prom – collecting gently used dresses and suits ie: Gr 2 Communion outfits, grade 8 & 12 grad dresses and suits. Volunteers from another community will be running the project prom to protect anonymity of the families in need.
2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report
3. Catholic School Council Financial Report:
 - The Wine Fundraiser has been purchased by 8 families up to date, we are only at \$1,140 sold.
 - The Dance-A-Thon raised a total of \$5,596.00, less expenses of \$572.93 (Chromebook, AirPods and Popcorn) = \$5,023.07 for our total fundraiser.
 - Purchasing new jerseys – reversible basketball shirts and extra t-shirts for events such as chess, science fairs, etc.
4. Catholicity
 - We had a school mass here on the 12th
 - Our grade 8 parents/guardians had their Confirmation information night at the church. Confirmation is set for Saturday, March 3, 2024.
 - Our grade 8s had their Journey Retreat & Pilgrimage on Friday, October 27th.
 - And we had our 1st Communion mass here at the school for our grade 2 students on November 7th.

5. Student Achievement

- Math & Literacy continues to be a focus of PD for staff.
- Today we had our Lit and Math leads here along with Chaplains for training.
- The grade 7 & 8 classes have extra sessions focusing on de-streaming literacy
- EQAO results are in. At or above standards **Grade 3:** reading 81.3% (72.6%), writing 56% (65.5%), Math 62.5% (59.7%) **Grade 6:** reading 100% (83.7), writing 96.6% (83.6%), math 48.35 (49.5%)

6. School Climate

- Student Council is doing our food drive now. Toy drive in December. Lead Out Conference is this Wednesday.
- We had our Intermediate soccer tournaments in October as well as Cross Country. Cross country went well with 6 students making it to the board meet where we had a second and third place finish.
- Progress reports are due to be released tomorrow afternoon.
- Grade 7s had their vaccinations.
- Parent-teacher interviews are set for the 23rd of November.

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E. OAPCE REPORTS (Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education)

1. N/A

F. SUBCOMMITTEE

1. By-laws/Policy – n/a
2. Community Outreach – 10% of funds raised from Dance-A-Thon going to GBF (\$500.00)
3. Graduation – June 19, 2024. 5 pm at church.
4. Hot lunches/milk – the Milk Program, Pizza, Subway and Pita Pit lunches are running smoothly. On Thursday, November 2nd the grade 8's began selling Chapmans frozen yogurt and sorbet for \$2 per cup, all are nut free. The revenue from this will go toward Graduation 2023.
5. Safe Schools – 3 fire drills and 1 lockdown drill completed.
6. School Nutrition Action Council (SNAC) – Holly
 - Income source – Niagara Nutrition Partners \$3,000 and GBF donated \$1,000 to help with our operating costs this year. Up to date we have spent \$1,096 on Snack Program food purchases.
 - CSC mentioned adding top-up from fundraising??

G. NEXT MEETING – Monday, February 5, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Kayla Walsh

Seconded by Stephanie Bays___

THAT the November 13, 2023 meeting of the St. Joseph Catholic School Council be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

I. CLOSING PRAYER was led by Tim Atkinson.