



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Meeting Minutes
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Date: October 03, 2022

Location: School Information Centre

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mr. Lennox

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Mr. Smolders

2. Roll Call

| | | Present | Excused | Absent |
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| CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP | | | | |
| Principal | Jay Lennox | X | | |
| Vice-Principal | Dwane Smolders | X | | |
| Secretary/Treasurer | | | | |
| Chair | | | | |
| Co-Chair | | | | |
| Community Rep. | | | | |
| Special Needs Rep. | | | | |
| Teacher Representative | Yass Leheta | X | | |
| | Michelle Comrie | X | | |
| Non-Teaching Representative | | | | |
| Student Representative | n/a | | | |
| Parish Representative | | | | |
| OAPCE Representative | | | | |
| PARENT REPRESENTATIVES | | | | |
| Lindsay Moraes | | X | | |
| Jenn Leishman | | X | | |
| Kendal Tran | | X | | |
| Lindsey Barton-Horton | | X | | |
| Laura Thomas | | X | | |
| Nicole Romanelli | | X | | |
| Caitlin Haubrok | | X | | |
| Krista Rye | | X | | |
| Rose Mazza | | X | | |

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3. Approval of the Agenda

THAT the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council approved the Agenda of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council Meeting of ***October 03, 2022***.

Moved by Laura

Seconded by Nicole

- **CARRIED**

4. Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest were declared.

5. Approval of Minutes

THAT the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council approved the Minutes of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council Meeting of May 25, 2021 as presented.

Moved by Laura

Seconded by Nicole

- **CARRIED**

6. Policy Vetting

[Privacy Policy \(600.6\)](#)

[Records and Information Management Policy \(600.2\)](#)

Please submit your feedback to Anna Pisano by October 27, 2022 - 12:00 p.m.

B. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Election - Laura Thomas & Nicole Romanelli acclaimed as Co-Chairs
2. Election - Rose Mazza acclaimed as OAPCE member

C. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Financial Statement Discussion - Money raised each year is spent on the students that raised it that year. Keep this in mind as we start to think about fundraising.
2. Kindergarten/Gr. 8 classrooms - With the growing numbers of students, we added a new grade 8 class out of the 2 previous classes to create classes of 22-23. English Kindergarten classes have been split into 4 classes instead of 3. These changes seemed likely going into the year and planning was in place to accommodate the new classes for when the decision was made.
3. Roof update - Finishing the capping from the new roof that was updated over the summer.
4. Trees in front of the school - Looking to remove and replace with other trees somewhere else in the yard to prevent issues on the roof.
5. Open House - Possibility of splitting into two nights, eliminating the gym intros at the beginning, fundraising activity tied into it, or grade 8 student guides.
6. Nutrition Program Update - Up and running. Accessible to all who want it.
7. Halloween - Costumes are back (school appropriate) and no food treats to be distributed to or among students.
8. New Phys Ed. equipment purchased and new jerseys purchased for the sports team

D. STAFF REPORTS;

1. Picture Day: Everyone looked great, Part 2 is happening on Thursday, October 6.
2. Terry Fox Walk - Around \$500 raised

3. Orange Shirt Day - Successful and informative
4. Intermediate Soccer - Boys and Girls competed well and showed off great school spirit.
5. Mass - October 6 - Split into 2 masses to accommodate the size of our school
6. Spirit Wear Wednesdays continue this year
7. Grade 8 Journeys retreat took place on Monday, October 3, 2022.
8. October 11 - Will be the Cross Country meet with about 115 students set to compete
9. No School on October 10 (Thanksgiving) nor on October 24 (PA Day)
10. Book Club and Eco Club started last week and additional clubs are starting soon.

E. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS;

- a. Fundraisers - 12 days of Christmas Raffle, Wine sales, Big Box of Cards, Christmas Tree Farm, Quilt Raffle

F. NEXT MEETINGS;

Monday, November 7, 2022 at 6:00
Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:00
Monday, April 4, 2023 at 6:00
Monday, June 5, 2023 at 6:00 (if needed)

All meetings at 6:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Elementary school information centre

G. ADJOURNMENT

- **THAT** the October 3, 2022 meeting of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council be adjourned.
- Moved by Lindsey M.
- Seconded by Lindsey B-H
- **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

H. CLOSING PRAYER was led by Mr. Smolders

THANK YOU TO EACH ONE OF YOU FOR YOUR TIME, PASSION AND DEDICATION TO OUR OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY FAMILY...YOU TRULY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.