**St. John Henry Newman Catholic School Council**

**Wednesday, February 6th, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Welcome / Opening Prayer
* **Mr. Spagnol welcomed everyone to the meeting and Ms. Villella began the meeting with a Prayer.**
1. Roll Call

| **St. John Henry Newman****Catholic School Council Roll Call** | Present | Excused | Absent |
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| Principal (/Treasurer)Vice Principal (Secretary) | Chris SpagnolAngela Villella | \*\* |  |  |
| Teacher Representative | Michael Reich | \* |  |  |
| **PARENT MEMBERS** |
| Silia Stapleton (Chair) |  |  | \* |
| Jessica Petrella (Co-chair) | \* |  |  |
| Jennifer Dolan |  |  | \* |
| Maria Elia |  |  | \* |
| Julie Bateman | \* |  |  |
| Janet Markey | \* |  |  |
| Maella O’Mara | \* |  |  |
| Kelly FialaKatie Bender | \* |  | \* |
| Karlee Mancuso | \* |  |  |
| Linda DrenLuisa Carbonara Barbara PeroneMarie KowalczykTina VaillancourtPhyllis DeProphetisLindsay LangsfordMichelle ChristianKevin Reid | \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* |  |  |

1. Approval of the Agenda –

Approved and Carried

1. Disclosure of Interest
* **N/A**

B. Principal’s Report

 Mr. Spagnol outlined the following

1. Shrove Tuesday Update
* Stacked is not able to provide the batter this year
* IHOP has donated the syrup
* Ideas for batter include – Costco
* Other ideas include: pre-mixing the batter
* Students will provide their own plate and fork. We will also have plates and forks available.
* Ms. Villella will provide the allergy free option
* Mrs. Kowalczyk offered the possibility of Stamford Culinary providing the batter
* Other ideas included – Pre-made by McDonald’s,
A bakery, Niagara College, and St. Paul Culinary
1. March Gift Card Fundraiser
* We have received many donations but require approximately 5 more
* Other ongoing fundraisers include: Gr. 8s – Big Box of Cards (to offset cost of year end trips), Gr. 4s – Ice cream (to offset cost of year end trip to Medieval Times)
1. Chromebook Purchase
* We have purchased 10 more Chromebooks
1. New Desks and Chairs
* We have purchased one classroom set of desks and chairs with the goal being to continue outfitting the Intermediate classrooms with new desks and chair.
1. School Fundraising
* Ideas put forth regarding setting out all fundraisers at the September meeting
* Capital Projects (Board funds) have been approved for the Gym Floor and Kindergarten Play Areak
* CSC would like the financials at the next meeting in June
1. Jordy’s Legacy
* Ms. Villella shared the #spreadjoylikejordy “movement” taking place with Pink Shirts, the morning announcements, new banner that will hang permanently in the gym, and the annual celebration of “Jordy Day” on January 17th
* Other initiatives include: Kindergarten Chess Tournament, Graduation Award and the dedication of the new Kindergarten Play Area.
* Other teachers from NCDSB and DSBN have started “kindness boards” in their classrooms, celebrating students who “spread joy like Jordy”
* A grade 8 student, Matthew Dolan proposed a “kindness bench” and submitted a drawing.

C. NCPIC Report (Marilyn Fabiano)

* N/A

D. SEAC Report

* N/A

E. Policy Vetting

The following Governance Policies are currently being reviewed as part of the Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5) review process:

To be considered, all submissions must identify the specific Governance Policy and include your name, phone number, address and affiliation with Niagara Catholic.

*Anonymous or pseudonymous submissions will not be considered*.

* Code of Conduct Policy 302.6.2
* Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy 800.7

*Please submit your feedback to Anna Pisano by 12:00 p.m. February 21, 2024*

F. OAPCE report – N/A

G. CHAIR’S/CO CHAIR’S REPORT (Mrs. Petrella)

* Fundraisers (2024/25) to be set out in June/Early September
* School Communication – it has been suggested that there be clearer communication from the school
* Christmas Concert feedback – wait times outdoors was a concern, the line up was a concern, having 2 nights was discussed, and picking up children was a concern that was noted.

H. STAFF REPORT

* Feb 6 – Kindergarten Open House
* Feb 6 – White Oakes Trip (7R, 7s from 7/8C)
* Feb 6 – St. John Valley Centre (6T)
* Feb 6 – CSC @ 6 p.m.
* Feb 7 – White Oakes Trip (7s from 6/7K)
* Feb 7 – Mathletes to St. Vincent De Paul
* Feb 7 – St. John Valley Centre (4FC, 4s from 3/4C)
* Feb 8 – St. John Valley Centre (5H)
* Feb 8 – Student Wellness Presentation
* Feb 8 – Junior Boys Handball Tryouts
* Feb 9 – St. John Valley Centre (4/5B, 4s from 3/4 O)
* Feb 9 – Public Library Visits (Piro/Fortino)
* Feb 9 – Junior Boys Handball Tryouts
* Feb 9 – Pasta Day
* Feb 12 – 23 – Kids Helping Kids Campaign
* Feb 13 – Shrove Tuesday
* Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday
* Feb 14 – School Mass (Gr. 4/5B, 5H)
* Feb 15 – Quesada Lunch
* Feb 15 – Celebrating Valentine’s Day/Red, White, Pink Dress down
* Feb 16 – PA Day
* Feb 22 – Principals Meeting
* Feb 22 – Grad Picture Retakes
* Feb 23 – PIZZA day
* Feb 23 – Habitat for Humanity Contest Closes (Gr. 4,5,6)
* Feb 26 – Public Library Visits (1G,1M,1/2S, 2/3D)
* Feb 29 – Public Library Visits (2/3M, 3N, 3/4C, 3/4O)
* Mar 4 – 8 – Lenten Food Drive (CEREAL and GRANOLA BARS)
* Mar 21 – Benefit GALA
1. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION**
* **Send out a survey for future Food Days**
* **Intramurals**
* **Fundraising (2024/25)**

**J. NEXT MEETING – tba**

**K. ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER – Ms. Villella**