



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Meeting Minutes
ST. CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Date: March 29, 2023

Location: Library Information Centre

6:00 P.M.

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

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Mr. Smolders

2. Roll Call

		Present	Excused	Absent
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP				
Principal	Dwane Smolders	X		
Secretary/Treasurer				
Chair	M. Sticca	X		
Co-Chair				
Community Rep.				
Special Needs Rep.				
Teacher Representative	M Carter		X	
Non-Teaching Representative				
Student Representative	n/a			
Parish Representative				
OAPCE Representative				
PARENT REPRESENTATIVES				
Jennifer Southam		X		
Samantha Kaufman		X		

3. Approval of the Agenda

THAT the St. Christopher Catholic School Council approved the Agenda of the St. Christopher Catholic School Council Meeting of **March 29, 2023**.

Moved by M Sticca

Seconded by J Southam

- **CARRIED**

4. Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest were declared.

5. Approval of Minutes

THAT the St. Christopher Catholic School Council approved the Minutes of the St. Christopher Catholic School Council Meeting of February 15, 2023 as presented.

Moved by M Sticca

Seconded by J Southam

- **CARRIED**

6. Policy Vetting

I. Policy Approval

[Christian Community Service AOP \(400.3\)](#)

[Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability Policy \(701.1\)](#)

[School Operations for Inclement Weather and Workplace Closure Policy \(500.1\)](#)

[Student Senate - Secondary Policy \(100.6.1\)](#)

[Student Senate - Elementary Policy \(100.6.2\)](#)

II. Policy Vetting

[Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction Policy \(100.7\)](#)

[Employee Code of Conduct and Ethics Policy \(201.17\)](#)

Please submit your feedback to Anna Pisano by April 19, 2023 - 12:00 p.m.

B. PRESENTATIONS

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C. CHAIR'S REPORT

1. Little Caesars kits fundraiser is nearing an end. If there are ideas to make it more successful, please share with the chair.

D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. [Effective Early Reading Instruction](#) - As a guide to teaching early readers
2. Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday
3. Gr. 2 First Communion prep is happening. Parent Meeting /Rite of Inscription Mass
4. Lenten Reconciliation - Thanks to Fr. Chad and Fr. Ben
5. Healthy Schools Champions - Making a mural for inclusivity (positive place)
6. Chaplains came in for Lent/Easter Prep
7. Grad Committee started meeting. Planning on Dennis Morris for the ceremony and Parkway Social for the party. Cost below \$50
8. MADD Presentation to grade 7 & 8 - Informative and a good message to students
9. Popcorn Sales every Wednesday - About \$120 a week that will go to supporting student learning
10. Gr 8 Presentation on Signs of Human Trafficking -
11. Coding with Board Personnel - Using Scratch coding
12. Stations of the Cross on Holy Thursday - Presented by the Grade 5s
13. April 12 - Easter Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas - K-8 attending
14. 13 - Junior & Intermediate Chess Tournament - A lot of student interest
15. 15 - First Reconciliation for the grade 2s
16. 20 - Kindergarten second dental visit -
17. Mustard Seed Challenge - How big will it grow by Catholic Education Week.

E. STAFF REPORTS

F. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

G. NEXT MEETINGS

May 31

All meetings at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Christopher Catholic Elementary library information centre

H. ADJOURNMENT

- **THAT** the March 29, 2023 meeting of the St. Christopher Catholic School Council be adjourned.
- Moved by J Sticca
- Seconded by J Southam
- **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm

I. CLOSING PRAYER was led by Mr. Smolders

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