



ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
Lighting the Way ~ Rejoicing in Our Journey

MINUTES

CATHOLIC FAITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, November 5, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.
Catholic Education Centre

Chair: Laura Callaghan, Superintendent of Education

Trustee: Brenda Rumble

Present: Adrien Gagnier – Principal, St. Joseph Catholic School, Chatham
Christine Lambert, Principal, St. Peter Canisius Catholic School
Dan Solinas, OECTA Representative & Teacher, Sacred Heart, Sarnia
Kim Gaiswinkler – Teacher & Faith Ambassador, St. Ursula Catholic School
Luana Sfalcin – Principal, St. John Fisher Catholic School
Marcia Vermey – French Immersion Parent, Ursuline College Chatham
Margaret Palmer – System Chaplaincy Leader
Michelle MacLean – French Immersion Parent, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim
Thomas Dula – Chaplain, Ursuline College Chatham

Regrets: Fr. Ray Lawhead – Episcopal Vicar, Sarnia Deanery
Joan Martell – SEA Technology Support Coordinator
Joseph Palko – Chaplain, St. Patrick's Catholic High School
Melissa Fernandes – Teacher, Ursuline College Chatham
Raymond Girard – Teacher, Ursuline College Chatham

Recording Secretary: Kim Fitzmorris

1. Welcome

Laura Callaghan, chair of the meeting, called the regular CFAC meeting to order.

2. Opening Prayer - All

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion: (Brenda Rumble, Adrien Gagnier) That the Minutes for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, September 24, 2018 be approved. Carried.

4. *Approval of Agenda*

Motion: (Brenda Rumble, Christine Lambert) That the Agenda for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, November 5, 2018 be approved as presented. Carried.

5. *Diocesan Policy on Rosary Apostolate and Other Groups*

- Shared the document from the Diocese - "Marian Celebrations and The Rosary in our Catholic Schools" with the CFAC group
- Talked about consistency and alignment in our schools
- Allowing time to cover the Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ program
- Ensure that supplementary materials are age- and developmentally- appropriate

6. *Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ Update*

Kim shared the benefits of the half day sessions for teachers that have been taking place. Data and feedback were also shared from the Grade 1-4 sessions for the Digital platform.

7. *Consultation on the CEC Art Show Poster and Invite*

- Great way to celebrate the gifts across our board
- Margaret added Artists and links showing how to connect students to the artists and teach the artist form
- Laura will add more artists to the list
- Send digital copy and original artwork to Joss Segeren by April 17th - 3 from each elementary- one from each division, and 4 from each high school

8. *Unpacking Renewing the Promise*

Board Plan

- Staff meetings- a document was shared with principals and they will begin to unpack at staff meetings- a piece to do monthly
- Monthly newsletter inserts for families
- Deanery events February 20 - Sarnia Lambton and March 19th Chatham Kent will focus on unpacking the Pastoral letter
- Wellness lunches- including a piece from Renewing the Promise
- Want everyone from our St. Clair family to share this important letter from the Bishops

Exploring the Letter

- Divided the letter and read a section- made notes about the important message in each section
- Will continue when we meet again in February

9. *Possible Faith Day Speakers*

Margaret shared a list of possible speakers that have been suggested. It was asked if we can take a few minutes before our next meeting in February and look at the links, then provide feedback. Please share any other ideas as well.

10. Catholic Education Week

Timelines for Communication

- Margaret will share the communication for the church (inserts for bulletin, parish announcement) with the principals to share through school council
- Encourage Catholic Education Week School activities in newsletters

Social Media

- Are there other ways to leverage social media for Catholic Education Week activities?
- On Parish websites - use portal on parish sites that link to school
- On classroom websites - ask principals to encourage teachers to link Catholic Education Week info

11. New Business: Good News Stories

12. Closing Prayer: All; led by Margaret.

13. Adjournment

The Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, November 5, 2018 adjourned at 6:32 p.m.