

Lighting the Way ~ Rejoicing in Our Journey

ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT BOARD ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Monday, October 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Location: Boardroom, Catholic Education Centre 420 Creek Street, Wallaceburg

Johanna Cox

Judy Beatty Robert Cicchelli

Len Fera

Board Advisory Council Members Present:
Jennifer Kerwin – Christ the King Catholic School
Louisa Valihora - Georges P. Vanier Catholic School
Jen DeBruyne – Good Shepherd Catholic School
Jane Yaghlin - Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School
Dan Bourdeau - Holy Family Catholic School
Karen McGrail – Holy Rosary Catholic School

Michele Jones - Monsignor Uyen

Tracey Jardine - Sacred Heart Catholic School, Port Lambton

Marian Dunn - Sacred Heart Catholic School, Sarnia Deb Ready - St. Joseph Catholic School, Tilbury

Cathie Vanek & Wendy Vereauteier - St. Michael Catholic School, Turnerville

Jeff Szusz - St. Agnes Catholic School

Kathy Johnsen - St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim Mary-Lou Falla – St. Anne Catholic School, Sarnia

Nancy Geniole & Amy Dunn - St. Joseph Catholic School, Chatham

Dawn Genz - St. Margaret Catholic School Wendy Vereautieier - St. Michael, Turnerville

Margaret Fraser & Sue Van Leergzen – St. Philip Catholic School Anne Marie Ryan & Jodi Vlasman- St. Ursula Catholic School

Dianne Hooker - St. Vincent Catholic School

Kelly Brown - St. Christopher Catholic Secondary School

Absent:

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School

St. Benedict Catholic School

St. Elizabeth Catholic School

St. John Fisher Catholic School

Michael Vandevenne - St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna

St. Michael Catholic School, Bright's Grove

St. Michael Catholic School, Ridgetown

Dana Stevens - St. Peter Canisius Catholic School

St. Therese Catholic School

St. Patrick Catholic High School

Ursuline College Chatham Catholic Secondary School

Trustees and Administration Present:

Ross Daly

Judy Beatty

Jane McL aughlin

Jane McLaughlin Cindi Vink-Broadfoot Christine Lambert

Jean Mantha

Resource: Paul Wubben Recorder: Cathy Calvert

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1. Opening Prayer

Director of Education, opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 p.m.

2. Information/Discussion Items

- a) H1N1 Virus Dr. W. David Colby
 - Dr. W. David Colby, Medical Officer of Health Chatham-Kent was introduced
 - Influenza is a small and simple virus and is not a living thing
 - Human Flu symptoms: fever, chills, cough and myalgia; lasts 3-5 days; usually a minor illness in the young and healthy
 - Often fatal in the elderly and those with cardio respiratory disease
 - The flu is not vomiting and diarrhoea
 - H1N1 does not look like it will be extremely wide spread or serious it seems to be a very mild illness mainly affects the young and pregnant
 - H1N1 vaccine one dose is probably enough; receiving it early is better than receiving it later
 - The H1N1 vaccine may possibly replace seasonal influenza vaccine
 - H1N1 is spread before the host gets symptoms
 - Ontario is the world leader in influenza prevention with our vaccination program
 - For any influenza like illness take it easy for a few days 3-5 days stay at home
 - Once you start feeling better, you are no longer spreading the virus.
 - Hand hygiene will not interrupt the virus very much but is still important
 - Hand sanitizer does not kill viruses as they are not living things
 - Hand was gets rid of bacterial spores
 - Large particle inhalation is the main way that influenza is passed from person to person
 - Cough etiquette and staying at home when you are sick is the best way to avoid spreading virus
 - The MOH's Office and the school board are in frequent contact, if there is any new information it is passed along to the schools and the parents in a very timely manner.
 - Dr. Colby stated that he and his office are very respectful of our Catholic traditions.

b) Board Liturgical Theme for 2009-10 - Paul Wubben

- The Liturgical Theme for the board for this year is Live Like Jesus
- a slide presentation which has been made to articulate the Liturgical Theme was shown

c) School Parish, Parent Partnerships - Mr. Dan Moynihan

- Dan Moynihan, Youth Ministry Specialist for the Diocese and Cindy Waddick, Elementary Chaplaincy Leader for our board were introduced
- Board staff have worked on building partnerships with the priests of the Lambton and Kent Deaneries
- This year along in consultation with diocesan staff a Home/School/Parish initiative is being introduced
- The intention is to develop and deliver an initiative which will strengthen the

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- relationship between schools, parishes and home
- The board has \$200/school available to put toward this new endeavour
- This needs to be engaging for the parents and parish as well as the students
- Although this is not a mandatory initiative; it is to hoped that the school councils take up this challenge
- The Youth Ministry Specialist's office has access to many printed resources for use
- The registration form was reviewed and the due date of November 14th was noted
- Bishop Fabbro will be at the May 10, 2010 Board Advisory Council meeting to hear about all the projects which have taken place this year to strengthen School/Parish/Home Relationship
- 3. Future Meeting Dates
 - January 18, 2010
 - May 10, 2010
- 4. Closing Prayer
- 5. The meeting adjournment at 8:50 p.m.

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