



ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

*Lighting the Way ~ Rejoicing in Our Journey*

# ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT BOARD ADVISORY COUNCIL NOTES

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

**Location: Boardroom, Catholic Education Centre  
420 Creek Street, Wallaceburg**

**Board Advisory Council Members Present:**

Nicole Taylor White – Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School  
Colleen Whitehouse – Monsignor Uyen Catholic School  
Spencer Schweltzer – Monsignor Uyen Catholic School  
Ron Male – Monsignor Uyen Catholic School  
Kathy Kindree – Our Lady of Fatima  
Renee Miller – Our Lady of Fatima  
Sabrina Treftlin – Sacred Heart Catholic School, Sarnia  
Chris Treftlin – Sacred Heart Catholic School, Sarnia  
Anita Hudson - St. Agnes Catholic School  
Tressa Brown – St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna & St. Patrick’s Catholic High School

**Absent:**

Christ the King Catholic School  
Georges P Vanier Catholic School  
Good Shepherd Catholic School  
Holy Family Catholic School  
Holy Rosary Catholic School  
Holy Trinity Catholic School  
St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim  
St. Anne Catholic School, Sarnia  
St. Elizabeth Catholic School  
St. John Fisher Catholic School  
St. Joseph Catholic School, Chatham  
St. Joseph Catholic School, Tilbury  
St. Matthew Catholic School  
St. Michael Catholic School, Bright’s Grove  
St. Michael Catholic School, Ridgetown  
St. Peter Canisius Catholic School  
St. Philip Catholic School  
St. Ursula Catholic School  
St. Vincent Catholic School  
Ursuline College Chatham Catholic School

**Trustees, Administration and Staff Present:**

Scott Johnson	Lisa Demers	Chris St. Amand
David Argenti	Ed Freeburn	Luana Sfalcin
Juli Faubert		

**Chair:** Tressa Brown  
**Recorder:** Josselyne Segeren

**Tressa Brown opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m.**

**1. Opening Prayer**

Tressa Brown opened the meeting with prayer.

## **2. Approval of Meeting Notes from February 27, 2019**

**Tressa Brown, Chair**

Motion: (Anita Hudson, Nicole Taylor White) That the Meeting Notes for the Board Advisory Council meeting of Wednesday, February 27, 2019 be approved. All were in favour. Motion accepted

## **3. Review of Agenda for May 21, 2019**

**Tressa Brown, Chair**

Tressa Brown reviewed the agenda for the Board Advisory Council meeting of Tuesday, May 21, 2019. There were no changes.

Motion: (Ron Male, Renee Miller) That the agenda for the Board Advisory Council meeting of Tuesday, May 21, 2019 be approved. All were in favour. Motion accepted.

## **4. WE Schools & Experiential Learnings**

**Scott Johnson**

Scott Johnson introduced Greg Rogers, Director of programming for WE Schools Canada. Greg's presentation discussed how students can make a difference in our communities and in the world.

His presentation showed how the Catholic graduate expectations advocate for the future, have the goals laid out in front of us

- o Greg was part of the writing team for OCGEs
- o He told the group the original document had no pictures and some of his students said the document needs artwork
- o Images have now brought the OCGEs to life

Greg shared a video message from former students about Faith through service. The former student is the Founder of WE (former Free the Children). His message discussed how his parents valued service, and passed it along. Now he hopes to pass it along to his own children.

Greg talked about his first trip to Kenya and shared another video.

He talked to the group about qualities of great leaders:

- Great leaders challenge themselves, others and the way things are done
- Empower and enable others, create more great leaders
- Inspire – there are many ways to inspire
- Model the way
- Celebrate success and take the time to do this

Greg shared other videos on WE highlighting both their work and the charity.

Chris St. Amand, Leader of Experiential Learning at SCCDSB, presented experiential learning and service learning that is taking place in our schools:

- Some schools connected with local food banks. Students held a food drive, did various fundraising such as selling Christmas ornaments, holding gum day at school etc. All goods and money raised was donated to the food bank.
- Another school connected with a local retirement home. One highlight was how students were teaching the residents about technology. This gave the students the opportunity to learn about teaching and to connect with other generations.
- A school held an event - Camp read-a-lot. The school connected with an author, their theme was Hope. The students raised money for a charity through an author. They received a picture of children with a thank you for their donation from the community where they donated the funds.
- #trashtag – a school participated in an online challenge of picking up trash. They posted pictures showing before and after they held the clean up event. The City of Sarnia saw their post and tweeted a thank you message. This was a great school - community connection.
- Other schools both elementary and secondary held fundraising events such as WE walk for water and We Scare Hunger.

## **5. Closing Prayer**

**The meeting was closed at 8:31 p.m.**