



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

## MINUTES

### CATHOLIC FAITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Monday, April 26, 2010 - 5:00 p.m.**

**Main Boardroom - Catholic Education Centre**

**Chair: Ross Daly**

Present:

Laura Callaghan	Ali Chinnick	Liz Bujaki
Deb Crawford	Brendan Deery	Kim Gaiswinkler
Renee Culverwell	Jacquelyn McGlynn	Cindy Waddick
Sarah Vajdik	Cindy Vink-Broadfoot	Gloria Knoll

Recording Secretary: Tina Smith

1. *Opening Prayer – “Embracing the Gifts of Easter” Cindy Waddick*

Deb Crawford welcomed and thanked those in attendance and called the meeting to order.

2. *Approval of Agenda*

The agenda was approved by consensus as presented.

3. *Approval of Minutes – January 25, 2010*

The minutes of the January 25, 2010 meeting were approved by consensus.

4. *F.A.C.E Presentation*

Presentation was viewed and feedback was requested. Everyone enjoyed the presentation, powerful points made by experts and the following suggestions were gathered:

- Could be shared with senior students, teachers, staff, and parents
- Add achievement data or facts about our school's academic achievement
- Information on Catholic highlights could be included in the JK/K package
- Add to websites at secondary schools

Broke into groups to further discuss and brainstorm for feedback.

5. *Faith Ambassadors – Input from our Schools*

Suggestions for support, adult faith development at secondary level, and staff retreat after school. Good dialogue was shared. Many suggestions were collected by Cindy Waddick. See attached.

6. *Touring Schools*

Ross Daly shared his experience touring St. Michael's – Bright's Grove and St. Therese with Deb Crawford. He enjoyed seeing the children and staff happy and noted that both schools demonstrated a strong and visible commitment to Catholic Teaching through the exploration of the Catholic virtues.

9. *Next Meeting Date:*

- Fall 2010

10. *Adjournment and Closing Prayer*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Faith Ambassadors – brain storming session:

- Access to resources – indispensable
  - Email – to continue sharing
  - Faith Ambassadors site on webpage
  - Cindy’s packages very helpful
- Promotion in schools
- Retreat – awesome (annually?)
- Virtues – what will it look like next year? – Committee to respond
  - Success with Mentor Texts & Enduring Understanding
- Put videos (prayers, music) in the Religion Kits
- Feeling like an ‘island’ in the school
- Including basic Catholic traditions and practices (curriculum)
- Virtues woven in curriculum awarded/recognized at Good News Assemblies
- Continuous referral to Board Theme ‘Live Like Jesus’
- Suggestions:
  - Same musical responses – consistency for all school masses/church
- Adult Faith Formation:
  - Once a month Staff prayer service (food & fellowship)