



ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
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MINUTES

CATHOLIC FAITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, February 5, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.

Catholic Education Centre

Chair: Laura Callaghan, Superintendent of Education

Trustee: Brenda Rumble

Present: Rob Cicchelli – Principal, St. Patrick Secondary School
Margaret Palmer – System Chaplaincy Leader
Mary Jo Cocarell – OECTA representative & Teacher, Sacred Heart, Sarnia
Joseph Palko – Chaplain, St. Patrick's Catholic High School
Dino Petrucci – Teacher, St. Patrick's Catholic High School

Regrets: Raymond Girard – Teacher, Ursuline College Chatham
Fr. Ray Lawhead – Episcopal Vicar, Sarnia Deanery
Marcia Vermey – French Immersion Parent, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim
Terri Sinasac – Vice Principal, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim
Michelle MacLean – French Immersion Parent, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim
Joan Martell – SEA Technology Support Coordinator
Kim Gaiswinkler – Teacher & Faith Ambassador, St. Ursula Catholic School
Thomas Dula – Chaplain, Ursuline College Chatham
Luana Sfalcin – Principal, St. John Fisher Catholic School
Melissa Fernandes – Teacher, Ursuline College Chatham

Recording Secretary:

1. Welcome & Opening Prayer

Laura Callaghan, chair of the meeting, called the regular CFAC meeting to order.
Margaret Palmer presented the opening prayer.

2. *Approval of Minutes*

Motion: (Mary Jo Cocarell, Brenda Rumble) That the Minutes for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, November 6, 2017 be approved. Carried.

3. *Approval of Agenda*

Motion: (Mary Jo Cocarell, Brenda Rumble) That the Agenda for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, February 5, 2018 be approved as presented. Carried.

4. *Upcoming CFAC Meetings*

Margaret Palmer offered that if any member wanted to lead prayer next meeting they could do so. No member immediately accepted; Members were instructed to contact M. Palmer if they are interested.

5. *FACE Team Update*

Laura Callaghan provided an update. Highlights included:

- Brief update - more info to come next meeting
- A major focus currently is ensuring that all school boards are able speak intelligently and consistently if asked about the possibility of a one-board school system in Ontario
- This focus has been heavily emphasized by Bishop Fabbro
- Another focus is educating local MPPs on the unique benefits of Catholic Education; to this end, principals are being asked to communicate with T. Lozon regarding any school event that gain the attention/participation of relevant MPPs
- To help communicate the special benefits of Catholic education principals in particular are being asked to contact T. Lozon if there is a school event that may be of interest to local MPPS
- A further focus is promoting www.togetherinfaith.ca; all staff are encouraged to visit the site, sign up for notifications and make use of #togetherinfaith

6. *Lighting the Way Award*

Margaret shared a powerpoint discussing the selection process that was employed.

- Results: from the North there will be two award winners, Bill Nelson and Lydia Decarolis; from the South there will be a single award winner, Ron Sterling
- Committee agreed that all nominees will be notified that they were in fact nominated
- The question was raised if nominees could read their own nominations; L. Callaghan will bring the question to Executive Council

7. *System Faith Day*

The Committee proofread the memo which will be communicated to all staff. Suggestion was made to include information that helps educate staff around Eucharistic fast. Decision was made that, for a variety of reasons (convenience, budget, waste, Eucharistic fast, etc.), gathering snacks/refreshments will not be provided.

Roles and responsibilities: see Margaret Palmer's file "Roles and Responsibilities April 27, 2017" file for full details.

8. *Closing Prayer: All; led by Margaret Palmer*

9. *Adjournment*