



**Date:** Monday Sept 26th, 2022 5:00pm - 6:30pm

**Location:** Catholic Education Center, Ursuline Room

## Attendance

**Chair:** Laura Callaghan, Superintendent of Education

**Trustee:** Brenda Rumble

**Present:** Margaret Palmer - Chaplain, UCC  
Ann Clarke - Chaplain, St. Patrick's Catholic High School  
Carrie Tennant - Teacher and OECTA Elementary Representative  
Jacqueline Rowe - Parent, Holy Family Catholic School  
Leanne Moran - System Chaplaincy Leader  
Erin Moffat Sharpe - Principal, St. Peter Canisius Catholic School  
Jacqui Matthews - Vice Principal, St. Patrick's Catholic High School  
Melinda Cole - Secretary, St. Patrick's Catholic High School  
Joan Martell - SEA Technology Support Teacher

**Regrets:** Father Chris Gillespie

**Recording Secretary:** Kim Fitzmorris

## A. Welcome

## B. Land Acknowledgment & Opening Prayer

## C. Approval of Minutes

**Motion: (Brenda & Joan) That the Minutes for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, April 11, 2022 be approved as presented. Carried.**

## D. Approval of Agenda

**Motion: (Joan & Margaret) That the Agenda for the Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, September 26, 2022 be approved as presented. Carried.**

## E. Who We Are and Why We Are Here

Laura shared the WHY of CFAC

Our work is rooted in our Strategic Plan 2019-2024

Priorities- Learning and Innovation, Faith & Well Being, Partnerships, Catholic Citizenship- all in service of our mission " Learning Today, Transforming Tomorrow (our work will align with all of these)

Narrowing the scope - Our Always Ready Plan identifies Key Actions Supporting System Improvement

Laura shared Our Catholic Faith Advisory Committee Policy document

She identified that we have various groups around our CFAC table (CUPE, parents, parish, OECTA, system level, school Chaplains, Chaplaincy leader, principals, Trustees)

Laura reviewed the Policy Goals

Laura shared the Pastoral Plan for this year

- Theme- Walking together, follows our Recovering Together Plan as we emerge from the Pandemic
- Key Actions are from the Always Ready Plan

## F. Our Work Together This Year

**3 subworking groups** - Would like input from our CFAC team in the following areas:

- **Working Group 1:** How Can we Continue to Bring the OCGE's to Life for Students, Staff and Families, connecting to the gifts of vocation (Laura, Carrie, Joan, Ann)
- **Working Group 2:** Bringing the Parent Hub to Life for Families and Connecting to Parish (Kim, Erin, Margaret, Brenda, Jacqueline)
- **Working Group 3:** Bringing Catholic Education Week to Life for Students, Staff, Families and Parish (Leanne, Jacqui, Josh, Father Chris, Melinda)
- First meeting is an initial brainstorming session. Ideas added to the [slides](#).

Facilitators will come back with narrowed down ideas for next meeting

## G. System Updates

### H. Secondary School Updates

UCC - Margaret

- Vote and choose Fruits of the Spirit, Gifts of the Spirit, Theological virtues- Randomly
- choose, vote who they want to become (ie class of courage, peace)
- Retreats- grade 9 first semester, Grade 12 2nd semester
- Faith and Wellbeing lens- Christian meditation, How to establish friendships, understanding the legacy of UCC and that they are a part of it
- Grade 12's what does it mean to be a graduate and going into the world as a graduate

- Grade 10 Religion classes- focus on Chapel masses, how do they want to walk the planet, their actions lay the foundation for their reputation
- Grade 11 Religion Classes- topic TBD

#### St. Pats - Ann

- Beginning with Liturgy of the Word- how to be together in communal prayer
- Grade 9 classes- chapel masses
- Masses- 7 Thursdays in Oct/Nov
- Into to student success - admin, guidance, student success, chaplain, mental health & addictions, librarians, student supervisors, who we are, what our role is, know who to reach out to
- Retreats have begun

#### Leanne

- Scheduled chaplaincy visits with most of the elementary principals
- 2 visits so far; 12 visits scheduled for this week; 3 have not had a response from.
- Sent principals different questions in advance of my visit to give some thought to and touch base with their staff members about
- Learning a great deal that will inform her work and populating the Hub's Faith Support area
- Key areas
  - principals feel that the Faith Ambassadors would benefit from an update of what their role entails – gave suggestions for what it could include (“go to person” for other staff re: prayer tables, Mass/Service planning assistance
  - would like to set up visits in each school with faith ambassadors once she has met with the different principals and put some “next steps” in place; one principal will cover for faith ambassador for our visit, another will pay back prep time
  - Areas brought to her attention – slide decks and prayer service outlines – sent a slide deck template to all Ps & VPs today for Masses in ordinary time with suggestions for adjustments for a Liturgy of the Word service
  - Prayer tables – suggestions for what to put on, reminder of liturgical colours, Feast Days, etc.
  - One staff retreat planned for next week; offering this to principals
  - request for planning sheets for Masses, services, Liturgy of the Word
  - Impromptu visit/chat with Fr. Brian Jane – would like to go visit pastoral teams she has connected with principals; trying to strengthen partnership between parish and school and ease the work of both
- Kim shared the Religion and Family Life sections on the Staff learning hub



## **I. Next Meeting Date**

November 7, 2022- Virtual

## **J. Closing Prayer and Adjournment - Motion to Adjourn (6:30pm)**

**Chair: Laura Callaghan**

**Trustee: Brenda Rumble**

**Scott Johnson**

Director of Education & Secretary