

# St. Patrick's Catholic High School

Catholic School Advisory Council Meeting

November 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Library

Attendance: DM, KL, JM, RH, Jay Stewart, Heather Amaral, Tyler Dillon, Christine Martin, Stephanie Lobsinger, and Katie Murphy

- **Welcome and Introductions** - D. Mancusi

- **Opening Prayer/Reflection** - D. Mancusi  
[2024-11-26 Opening Prayer](#)

- **Call to Order** - H. Amaral/T. Dillon

a. Adoption of Agenda (Motion to accept agenda)

Motion: Heather    Accept: Jay    Second: Tyler

b. Approval of [Minutes](#) - September 28, 2024 (Motion to Approve)

Motion: Heather    Accept: Christine    Second: Tyler

- **Student Council Update** - Katie Murphy (Gr. 10 student)

a. Presentation linked [here](#)

-student council plans events throughout the year for the student to build school culture  
-orange shirt day - video from the college and Derek Sands film shown in the morning broadcast

-pep rally - first in many years and all students were together in the gym

-school dances - all students invited

-upcoming events: Christmas assembly, winter/spring pep rally, open mics, palooza, and more...

- **Faith Ambassador Update** - Katie Murphy

a. Chaplaincy Report [2024-11-26 Catholic School Council](#)

-update in link

- **Student Services Update** - J Stewart

a. PD - OCTE conference

-conference in London to promote the trades and provide opportunities to get involved in the trades

-guidance counsellors, tech teachers, and Mrs. Mancusi were in attendance

-linking industries and education together

b. Cafeteria Upgrades

-new projection screen and sound system for student services presentations

c. Grade 11 focus

-all grade 11 were seen in November - each counsellor ran through a checklist of what needed to be completed between now and graduation

-conversations were had about future programs after high school

-students were guided to work toward completing community service hours (40 hours) and other required components to earn the OSSD

- **Vice-Principal's Report**

- a. K Lobsinger (Students A-G, Guidance D. Kells, PRT T. Whitcombe)
  - Attendance (School Messenger App - continued disruptions)-new app this year was upgraded - parents can also call or use email
  - OSSLT-rewrites on Nov 14, grade 10s on Nov 20-21, and ELL on Nov 26
  - Exams - January-at the end of the month by period with an extra day in case of inclement weather

- b. J Matthews (Students H-O, Guidance J. Stewart, PRT N. DiBrita)
  - Academic Awards - Dec 5-awards to celebrate the academic achievements of the previous year  
-dignitaries come in to present a variety of awards and our honour students are celebrated

- c. R Hare (Students P-Z, Guidance T. Dizon, PRT S. Meza)
  - SEL initiatives
    1. What is SEL? (Attached Handout)
    2. Core Competencies (Attached Handout)
    3. Staff Training
    4. System Goals
  - eLearning - AI Update
    1. Staff/Student/Parent Guidelines are being created (draft from at this time)
    2. Resources - Staff/Students will be provided with resources on how to leverage the technology in education

- **Principal's Report** - D. Mancusi

- a. Midterm Reports and Parent Teacher Conferences - Nov. 14
  - b. PA Day - Nov 15 - connections with Lambton College and Sarnia Economic partnership
- opening eyes of staff to see what supports are in place in post-secondary
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- these two groups shared how they support students after they leave high school (especially those with learning challenges or mental health struggles)
- c. Advent Liturgy - Dec 4
  - d. Irish Miracle - Dec 7
  - e. Santa Claus Parade - Dec 7
  - f. Bingos ([lindy.wagner@sccdsb.net](mailto:lindy.wagner@sccdsb.net))
  - g. Track Fundraising

- **Parent Involvement Committee Update** - T. Dillon

-two meetings at the board - presenter from the University of Chicago (our board is leading in SEL work in schools)

-wanting to share with parents the work that is being done in the schools and its importance

-TVO Mathify can be used to access tutors in the evening - only 3% of students in the province would state that they are good in math

-Mr. Walicki presented opportunities for travel for credit

- **Chairs' Report** - H. Amaral and T. Dillon

-parent teacher night - parents are grateful that this is available.

-parent engagement - struggle to get parents involved. How do we get the word out to have more parents at school council?

- **Future Meetings 2024/25**

- a. Tues. Jan 28, 2025 at 7:00pm

- b. Tues. Apr. 22, 2025 at 7:00pm

- c. Tues. Jun. 10, 2025 (dinner at 6:00pm, followed by meeting)