

HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

OPEN SESSION

AGENDA AND REPORTS

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

7:15 p.m.

Board Room

90 Ontario Avenue



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**AGENDA FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE
HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024 @ 7:15 PM
IN THE BOARD ROOM**

A CALL TO ORDER

1. **Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands – (Owen)**
Today we meet on Turtle Island in the area governed by the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850. It is the traditional land of the Batchewana First Nation, the Garden River First Nation and the Metis settlement at Bawating. We commit ourselves to work on the TRC's Calls to Action that focus on education. We hope to one day know and understand the true history of Canada so we can live into reconciliation with Indigenous peoples on the land. Let us journey together in a good way.

2. **Prayer (Pg 6)**

3. **Call the Roll:**

Trustees:

Gary Trembinski (Chair), John Bruno (Vice-Chair), Carol Amadio, John Caputo, Kerri Commanda, Lindsay Liske, Carol MacEachern, Kathleen Rosilius, Sandra Turco

Officials:

Danny Viotto (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Christine Durocher, Fil Lettieri, Justin Pino, Franca Spadafora

Student Trustees:

Owen Middleton, Kenzie Garson, Mya Jensen

Regrets:

Tony D'Agostino

Other Reps:

Darrell Czop (President, O.E.C.T.A.)
Marnie McDonald (Vice-President, O.E.C.T.A.)
Corey Gardi (President, C.P.C.O.)
Crystal Krauter (President, C.U.P.E.)

OUR MISSION

Persons present are invited to indicate how they have seen our Mission lived out recently in our schools and board community.

B ADOPTION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Motion:** That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, April 17, 2024.

Are there any additions/changes/deletions?

C DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**D NEW BUSINESS****E CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

1. **Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.** (Pg 9)
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.
2. **Minutes of the In-Camera #1 Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.**
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera #1 Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.
3. **Minutes of the In-Camera #2 Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.**
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera #2 Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.
4. **Minutes of the Special In-Camera Board Meeting of April 8, 2024.**
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special In-Camera Board Meeting of April 8, 2024.

F BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**G PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Catholic Faith Testimony** – Director Viotto to introduce Stephanie Parniak (Chaplain, St. Mary’s College) and Abel Zachariah (Grade 11, St. Mary’s College).
2. **St. Mary’s College High Skills Camp Program** – Director Viotto to introduce Paula Trainor (Experiential Learning Lead), Tiziana Palumbo (Vice-Principal, SMC), and SMC teachers, Darryl Wardell, Polly Garson and Sandra Rollin.

H COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Minutes of the SEAC Committee Meeting – February 28, 2024** (Pg 13)
Superintendent Fil Lettieri.

2. **Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting – March 19, 2024** (Pg 17)
Committee Chair Gary Trembinski.
3. **Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting – April 3, 2024** (Pg 21)
Director Viotto and Committee Chair Trustee D’Agostino.

I ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

1. **ELECTRONIC POLL** (Pg 23)
Executive Search – Director of Education
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the Executive Search for the Director of Education to Gallagher Consulting.
CARRIED
2. **CCSTA Convention and AGM – May 30 – June 1, 2024**
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board allows Trustees Carol Amadio, John Bruno, John Caputo, Lindsay Liske, Kathleen Rosilius, Sandra Turco, Chair Gary Trembinski and Director Danny Viotto to Calgary, AB, to attend the CCSTA Convention and AGM on May 30 – June 1, 2024.
3. **Accommodations Alternations at St. Basil Catholic School** (Pg 24)
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the contract for the Accommodations Alterations at St. Basil Catholic School project to Ficmar Builders.
4. **Barrier-Free Upgrades at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School (SSM) and St. Paul Catholic School** (Pg 25)
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the contract for the Barrier-Free Upgrades at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School and St. Paul Catholic School project to First General Services.
5. **Policy 4011 – School Funds** (Pg 26)
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 4011 as presented.
6. **Fieldtrips** (Pg 33)
Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the following field trip applications:
 1. St. Francis School – travelling to Toronto for the Skills Ontario: Provincial Entrepreneurship Showcase on May 6, 2024 and returning May 8, 2024.

J INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Reports to the Director of Education / Board of Trustees**
 - a) **Math Achievement Action Plan (MAAP) Mid-Year Review – Superintendent Spadafora** (Pg 36)

b) **SMC Activity Report** – Student Trustees Middleton, Garson and Jensen (Pg 38)

2. **Correspondence**
Algoma University’s Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow Committee (Pg 40)

3. **Notes of Thanks**

K TEN-MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

- ON AGENDA ITEMS FOR THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

L UPCOMING EVENTS

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| April 19 | - PA Day |
| April 21 | - World Day of Prayer for Vocations |
| April 22 | - Earth Day |
| April 22 | - Passover begins at sundown |
| April 24 | - Administrative Professionals’ Day |
| April 24 | - SEAC Meeting |
| May 1 | - Principals’ Appreciation Day |
| May 2-4 | - OCSTA AGM and Conference |
| May 5 | - MMIWG Awareness Day |
| May 5 – 10 | - Catholic Education Week |
| May 12 | - The Ascension of the Lord |
| May 12 | - World Communications Day |
| May 12 | - Mother’s Day |
| May 13 | - Our Lady of Fatima |
| May 15 | - Educational Assistants Appreciation Day |
| May 15 | - Next Board Meeting |

M CLOSING PRAYER – Trustee Commanda

N ADJOURNMENT

April 2024
"As people of joy"

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In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER *Trustee Commanda*

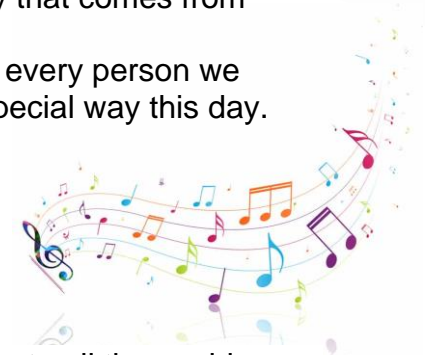
God our constant Companion,
Your unfailing presence in our lives is the source of our deepest, lasting joy.
Far beyond moments of fleeting enthusiasm or exuberance, to know that you are with us brings us a spiritual joy that struggles cannot rob us of – the joy that comes from knowing how much you love us at every moment.
Make that joy radiant in our lives, and may it overflow into love for every person we encounter, and especially for those who may need our love in a special way this day.
Praise to you, Lord, Giver of Joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



READING: Isaiah 12:5-6 *Trustee D'Agostino*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

"Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."



The Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION *Trustee Liske*

What does an authentically joyful Christian look like to you? Sound like? Act like?

Sometimes we can (even unconsciously) communicate a version of Christian faith that is sombre, grim and joy-less. How does genuine joy contribute to evangelization?

What moments of genuine joy have I experienced this week that I want to thank God for?

CONTEMPORARY READING *Trustee MacEachern*

From Pope Francis' 2013 exhortation "On the Joy of the Gospel" (Evangeli Gaudium)

There are Christians whose lives seem like Lent without Easter. I realize, of course, that joy is not expressed the same way at all times in life, especially at moments of great difficulty. Joy adapts and changes, but it always endures, even as a flicker of light born of our personal certainty that, when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved. The most beautiful and natural expressions of joy which I have seen in my life were in poor people who had little to hold on to. I also think of the real joy shown by others who, even amid pressing professional obligations, were able to preserve, in detachment and simplicity, a heart full of faith. In their own way, all these instances of joy flow from the infinite love of God, who has revealed himself to us in Jesus Christ.



QUESTIONS FOR GUIDED REFLECTION *Trustee Rosilius*

A beloved Christian carol begins with the line, "Joy to the world: the Lord is come!" If, as Pope Francis suggests, Christian joy flows from God's coming to us in Jesus, how can I ground myself more deeply in my relationship with Jesus?

Like Pope Francis, many people have noticed how some of those who seem to experience joy most profoundly are also those who often lack worldly riches and "things." What do you think is the relationship between joy and living a life of Gospel simplicity?



The Holy Father says that joy adapts and changes at different stages of our lives. As you look over your life so far, what did joy look like when you were a child? What made you joyful? How are your ideas about joy different today? What brings you genuine joy today?

INTERCESSIONS/PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL *Chair Trembinski*

Let us pray for those who journey with depression and mental illnesses that can make it hard for them to experience joy: that they will receive the best of support and care and be accompanied by loving family members and friends. May a restored sense of joy be God's gift to them.

For this, we pray to the Lord...

Let us pray for our loved ones, who bring us joy by their presence, their words, their kindness, and their actions. May we cherish all the special people in our lives, and respond with love, gratitude, and generosity.

For this, we pray to the Lord...

Let us pray for our own daily witness to the Good News. May God's unshakeable love for us inspire the kind of joy that others will recognize in us, and may it draw others to experience the same gifts we have received from our faith.

For this, we pray to the Lord...

CLOSING PRAYER *Trustee Turco*

Lord,
In a world often cloaked in sorrow and fear, you offer us the joyful news of your forgiveness, your care, and your love.
Root us always in that joy, and help us to lift the burdens of others, and to build up a world in which more and more people have opportunities to flourish and reasons to rejoice.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



CHRISTIAN poetry by deborah ann

Proverbs 17:22

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Huron-Superior Catholic
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

our mission

Rooted in Jesus Christ, we are a Catholic learning community called and committed to develop the full potential of each child and to nurture a personal relationship with Jesus that will inspire Catholic leadership.

our values

Dedicated to excellence in education and the desire to live the values of Jesus we strive to:

- affirm the sacredness of life and respect for all creation
- reverence the dignity of each person as a Child of God
- provide an enduring education that reflects the essence of our Catholic traditions
- proclaim Christ's message throughout the curriculum
- celebrate God's love in prayer, at Eucharist and in all sacramental moments of life
- create sacred learning environments
- cultivate enriching opportunities that will deepen faith.

our vision

Guided by the Spirit on our journey, together with family and Church, we mutually invite, encourage and support one another in our efforts to transform the world.

Journey Together in Faith and Learning

**MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE
HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024 @ 7:15 PM
IN THE BOARD ROOM**

PRESENT: Trustees:

Gary Trembinski (Chair), John Bruno (Vice-Chair), Carol Amadio (virtual), John Caputo (virtual), Kerri Commanda, Tony D'Agostino, Lindsay Liske, Carol MacEachern (virtual), Kathleen Rosilius, Sandra Turco (virtual)

Officials:

Danny Viotto (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Christine Durocher, Fil Lettieri, Justin Pino, Franca Spadafora

Student Trustees:

Owen Middleton, Kenzie Garson, Mya Jensen

REGRETS:

Values and Vision

Director Viotto shared the upcoming retirement of Sister Pat Carter, which takes place on March 28, 2024, after 37 years of dedicated service to the board. Sister Pat will be widely missed by the board community, as she marks the end of an era as the last working Sister of St. Joseph in Ontario. All extended wishes for a very healthy and happy retirement.

Adg# Mtn#

- B-1 B-856 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: T. D'Agostino**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, March 20, 2024.
CARRIED

Trustee Caputo disclosed a deemed pecuniary interest in item I-2 on the agenda for the board meeting of March 20, 2024, and did not take part in the consideration or discussion of or vote on any question with relation to this item. Trustee Caputo recused herself for this portion of the meeting.

Trustee Rosilius disclosed a deemed pecuniary interest in item I-2 on the agenda for the board meeting of March 20, 2024, and did not take part in the consideration or discussion of or vote on any question with relation to this item. Trustee Rosilius recused herself for this portion of the meeting.

- E-1 B-857 Moved by: J. Bruno Seconded by: S. Turco**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of February 14, 2024.
CARRIED

- E-2 B-858 Moved by: S. Turco Seconded by: T. D’Agostino**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of February 14, 2024.
CARRIED
- G-1 Catholic Faith Testimony**
Alieya Vivienne Caseres (Gr. 11, St. Mary’s College student) highlighted her faith journey, which she began in her hometown of Riyadh, Saudia Arabia. She has been a resident of Sault Ste. Marie for the past two years and has been able to expand and flourish in her Catholic faith through her participation in her parish, and school community. She feels blessed to openly express her Christianity with family and fellow students.
- G-2 St. Mary’s College Nordic Ski Team**
Stephanie Parniak (teacher, SMC), Jennifer Nieson (coach), Melina Bernardo (Gr. 9 student), Zachory Henderson (Gr 9 student), Taylor Nieson (Gr. 10 student), and Joshua Lamming (Gr. 11 student) shared their experiences and accomplishments on the SMC Nordic Ski Team. Hiawatha Highlands were commended on their partnership with the team and the extraordinary support they have shown the students through such things as free passes and ski equipment rentals. Collaboration with the Algoma District School Board and Conseil scolaire catholique Nouvelon have been vital to bringing this experience to the student community.
- H-1 Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting – March 6, 2024**
Director Viotto and Committee Chair Trustee D’Agostino.
- H-2 Minutes of the SEAC Committee Meeting – January 31, 2024**
Superintendent Fil Lettieri
- I-1 B-859 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: C. Amadio**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Local Collective Agreement negotiated between the Board and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation (OSSTF - District 2) representing Noon Hour Aides as per the terms of the signed Minutes of Settlement dated February 28, 2024.
CARRIED
- I-2 B-860 Moved by: L. Liske Seconded by: S. Turco**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board ratify the central terms contained with the Memorandum of Settlement and attached Appendices, dated March 5, 2024, made between the Ontario Catholic School Trustees’ Association and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers’ Association and Agreed to by the Crown. Further that the approval of the ratification of the central terms be reported to OCSTA.
CARRIED

- I-3 B-861 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: J. Bruno**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the appointment of Sergio Iacoe as an alternate SEAC member, representing Community Living Algoma.
CARRIED
- I-4 B-862 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: K. Commanda**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the construction contract for the Radon Reduction and Mitigation Upgrades at St. Mary Catholic School to Jobst Bros. Construction.
CARRIED
- I-5 B-863 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: C. Amadio**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 4020 as presented.
CARRIED
- I-6 B-864 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: K. Rosilius**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Student Trustees Kenzie Garson, Mya Jensen and Owen Middleton to travel to Niagara Falls on May 2-4, 2024, to attend the OCSTA 2024 AGM and Conference.
CARRIED
- I-7 B-865 Moved by: J. Bruno Seconded by: C. MacEachern**
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the following field trip applications:
1. St. Mary’s College – travelling to Canada’s Wonderland on May 22, 2024 and returning May 24, 2024.
 2. St. Mary’s French Immersion School – travelling to Ottawa, ON on June 17, 2024 and returning June 21, 2024.
- CARRIED**
- J-1-a Capital Projects 2023-2024**
Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, reviewed the list of projects to be completed in the 2023-2024 school year, along with the co-relating capital funding.
- J-1-b SMC Activity Report**
Student trustees Middleton, Garson and Jensen highlighted some of the March events at the school, including components from faith, sports, student council, Indigenous student council and student senate. A few noteworthy items were Lenten meditations, Sweet Sixteen Extravaganza event, planning for the Grade 9 & 10 “Spring Fling” Formal Dance in April and Elder Joe Jones visit with the preparation of rabbit soup. Student Senate also held a Giant Valentine’s Day card making contest.



**SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
S.E.A.C.
Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Location: St Francis French Immersion

Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Google Meet: <https://meet.google.com/bdo-rjst-zot>

Attendance: John Caputo, Tina Coombs, Theresa Coccimiglio, Irma DiRenzo, Sherri Kitts (alt), Jared Lambert, Rachelle Lambert, Fil Lettieri, Melanie Ross, Tiana Rushon, Gary Trembinski, Rosanne Zagordo

Student Trustees and Guests: Shawna Bock, Mirinda Friscolanti, Kenzie Garson, Owen Middleton

Regrets: Jacques Ribout

AGENDA ITEMS		ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	WELCOME <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rachelle Lambert from Batchewana First Nation LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & BOARD PRAYER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land Acknowledgment and Prayer was said by all. 	Fil Lettieri	
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (January 31, 2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAC Meeting Minutes - January 31, 2024 Minutes were accepted. 	Tina Coombs Tiana Rushon	

3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES			
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMC Student Trustee Report Shawna Bock- Acting Principal SFFI and Mirinda Friscolanti, LRT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See attached report. February '24 SEAC Report Presentation was provided by Shawna Bock and Mirinda Friscolanti. 	Kenzie Garson Mya Jensen Owen Middleton	
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been no decisions made over extending the days for retired supply teachers to offset the provincial challenge. The Minister is considering a suite of options to offset the teacher shortage. 	Fil Lettieri	
6.	SEAC BUSINESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MASCE UPDATES Guidelines for Approval and Provision of Care and Treatment, Custody and Correctional Programs 2017-2018 Analysis of Exclusion Clause in Ontario's Education Act TCDSB's Response to the Motion from SEAC Review Presentation Priorities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized Classrooms & Care & Treatment Program Criteria This chart was presented and reviewed. More time will be spent next meeting to go through the programs and answer any questions. 	Irma DiRenzo Rosanne Zagordo	April
7.	BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Criteria for eligibility for CTCC- Section 265 Supports for literacy at the intermediate level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care & Treatment Admission Criteria Fil reviewed some of the resources that are available for literacy at the intermediate level such as Lexia and the pilot program, Empower 7 & 8 program. There is a lot of job embedded support from the Curriculum department for teachers in the intermediate level. 	Irma DiRenzo Fil Lettieri	
8.	SUPERINTENDENT, COORDINATOR and MENTAL HEALTH LEADER'S REPORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have some unfilled positions such as the teacher diagnostician. A new position has also been posted called the Special Education Consultant to help fill the gaps with system IPRC, EQAO support, enhancing 	Fil Lettieri	

		service for our students who need support with the deaf and hard of hearing and vision itinerant. This is a generalist position that could help to serve and fill the gaps.		
9.	ASSOCIATION REPORTS			
a.	NORTH SHORE TRIBAL COUNCIL (R.Lambert, S. Kitts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Rachelle Lambert	
b.	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Celebrate the Spectrum gets closer, information regarding these upcoming events will be sent to the schools to help in planning. Schools participating in the School Giving Challenge, Fly a Flag or use activities from the Educator Toolkits can be accessed in our emails. 	Irma DiRenzo	
c.	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Theresa Coccimiglio	
d.	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE (T. Coombs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sarah Gregorchuk and Tina Coombs presented about the ICDP program to the LRTs in Catch up with the Coordinator session. 	Tina Coombs	
e.	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (J. Ribout)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Jacques Ribout	
f.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE (M. Ross)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melanie was in the ILS 2 class at SMC where 4 of the students there will be shadowing in the CICE program. 	Melanie Ross	
g.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Irma Direnzo	
h.	EASTER SEALS (T. Rushon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Seals link: marchiseastersealsmonth.org 	Tiana Rushon	
i.	TRUSTEES' REPORTS (J. Caputo, G. Trembinski)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board of Trustees is no longer approving the SEAC minutes- this is a procedural move. 	Gary Trembinski	
10.	ADJOURNMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm. 	Gary Trembinski Tina Coombs	
11.	NOTES			

Next Meeting: March 27, 2024

Location: St. Mary's French Immersion, 124 Gibb Street

Time: 4:00-6:00 pm

Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board

Audit Committee Meeting

Agenda



Tuesday, March 19, 2024
4:00 p.m.
Meeting Room 6 or [Virtual](#)

Attendance: *G. Trembinski (Chair), J. Bruno, L. Liske, S. Dwyer, K. Umrigar, D. Viotto, J. Pino, B. McKinlay, D. Senegal, E. St. Denis*
Regrets: *M. Dodge*
Guests: *None*

AGENDA ITEMS – Closed Meeting		ACTION	WHO	WHEN	DONE ✓
1.	Prayer	https://www.hscdsb.on.ca/board/catholicity/	J. Pino		
2.	Adoption of Order of Business	Moved by J. Bruno, Seconded by L. Liske.	G. Trembinski		
3.	Disclosure of conflict of interest and general nature thereof	No conflict of interest declared.	G. Trembinski		
4.	Confirmation of Minutes from last meeting	Moved by J. Bruno, Seconded by L. Liske.	G. Trembinski		
5.	Internal Audit – Audit Plan	<p>E. St. Denis noted that Business Continuity planning is something new that's been added to the audit plan. The REIT has worked with a company by the name of MNP. REIT would cover the cost of the Business Continuity plan development. J. Pino provided clarification on PEN testing which is being done through ECNO.</p> <p>J. Bruno wanted clarification if this testing would impact the new ERP system that we are implementing, and any unforeseen costs.</p> <p>S. Dwyer would like E. St. Denis to look into the board that has completed the Business Continuity Plan development with MNP to determine if there is value to the board.</p> <p>K. Umrigar wanted clarification on how MNP was selected, and reinforced the point made by S. Dwyer on the anticipated value that will be</p>	E. St. Denis		

AGENDA ITEMS – Closed Meeting		ACTION	WHO	WHEN	DONE ✓
		<p>derived based on the quality of the consultants.</p> <p>J. Bruno questioned whether the project needs to be started right away or if the funding can be utilized at a later time. E. St. Denis stated that this funding is due to REIT surplus dollars and it won't expire in the immediate future.</p> <p>E. St. Denis has confirmed that the board will not get an invoice and rather the invoice will go directly to the Regional Internal Audit Team.</p>			
6.	Regional Internal Audit Team – Option to Utilize REIT Funds for Business Continuity Plan Development	<p>J. Pino pointed out the discussion from item 5 on the agenda also covered item 6 as well.</p> <p>All were in favour of moving on in the agenda.</p>	<p>E. St. Denis J. Pino</p>		
7.	Status of ERP Implementation - Edsembli	<p>J. Pino and B. McKinlay provided an update on Edsembli.</p> <p>B. McKinlay noted that data has been migrated from SDS, and there will be test runs to verify data on the HRP module. On the Finance module side, work is taking place on updating the GL accounts to match the Ministry code of accounts overlays. B. McKinlay noted that the biggest risk to the project is the timelines based on limited resources and cost of resources. B. McKinlay noted that the board posted twice for a temporary Senior Financial Analyst to support the implementation process with no candidates emerging to meet the needs of the board.</p> <p>J. Pino noted that we are currently targeting a mid-may go live. SDS license expires June 30th. Delays with the project will force the board to renew its license with SDS for the entire year, with management currently assessing the situation.</p> <p>J. Bruno expressed concern regarding extending the SDS contract and hiring a temporary Senior Financial Analyst who won't be present after implementation.</p>	<p>J. Pino</p>		

AGENDA ITEMS – Closed Meeting		ACTION	WHO	WHEN	DONE ✓
		S. Dwyer asked if funding for a Senior Financial Analyst could be moved towards consulting or secondments. J. Pino noted that his team has reached out to external auditing firms to see if they would have resources available and continues to explore this option.			
8.	External Auditor Services – RFP Discussion	<p>J. Pino noted that the original five-year term with our existing external auditors expired Aug 31, 2023. Last year at this time, the audit committee recommended to the board that in light of the cyber incident and employee turnover, it would be in the best interest of the board to extend the contract of our existing external auditor for an additional year. The board approved this extension. Given the new ERP implementation J. Pino questioned whether now is the time to bring on a new auditor.</p> <p>L. Liske suggested we that we renew for another 2 years.</p> <p>J. Bruno recommended that it be put out to tender.</p> <p>S. Dwyer asked if the bylaws allows for the an extension.</p> <p>J. Bruno moved that the board go to tender, K. Umrigar seconded.</p> <p>Unanimous vote by committee to go out to tender for auditing services.</p>	B. McKinlay J. Pino		
9.	Term Ending – External Member Vacancy Posting Update	<p>O. Reg. 361/10: Audit Committees</p> <p>J. Pino indicated that that two different rounds of postings for an external audit member were completed. Next step was for the selection committee to meet and evaluate the application received.</p>	J. Pino		

AGENDA ITEMS – Closed Meeting		ACTION	WHO	WHEN	DONE ✓
10.	Discussion without management present		G. Trembinski		
11.	Next Meeting	<p>Motion to adjourn. Moved by S. Dwyer and K. Umrigar. Next meeting: Tuesday June 11, 2024</p> <p>Note: K. Umrigar has asked that we continue to share the Audit Committee Plan at each Audit Committee meeting as a tool to ensure the committee is fulfilling its obligations as defined in O. Reg. 361/10.</p>	G. Trembinski		

AGENDA ITEMS – Opened Meeting		ACTION	WHO	WHEN	DONE ✓
1.	No Agenda Items				



**POLICY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

Google Meet: <https://meet.google.com/gxv-aydt-cdn>

**Board Room
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.**

Attendance: John Bruno, Tony D’Agostino, Sandra Turco, Gary Trembinski

Regrets: Tony D’Agostino

Resources: Danny Viotto, Justin Pino, Joe Chilelli

Guests: Paul McDonald – Health and Safety Officer

Chair: Gary Trembinski

Minutes: Danny Viotto

Items		Discussion	Who / When
1.	Prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board prayer. Director Viotto led the committee in prayer. 	D. Viotto
2.	Review of Minutes – March 6, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes The Minutes were reviewed and no changes required. 	G. Trembinski
3.	Policies for Current Committee Review		
	3002 – Assessment of Drinking Water in Board Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Policy and Procedural Guideline was reviewed by Paul McDonald. Since the policy has not changed, there is no need to move to a board meeting. The Procedural Guidelines were modified and reviewed with the committee and all changes were accepted. 	P. McDonald
	4011 – School Funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Policy and Procedural Guideline was reviewed by Justin Pino. The committee has recommended that this policy move to the Board of Trustees. 	J. Pino
	7002 – Student Accident and Life Insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Policy and Procedural Guideline was reviewed by Justin Pino. Since the policy has not changed, there is no need to move to a board meeting. The Procedural Guidelines were modified and reviewed with the committee and all changes were accepted. 	J. Pino


Items	Discussion	Who / When
4.	Future Policies for Review in the 2023-24 School Year	
	4013 – Purchasing	J. Pino 22
	4018 – Records and Information Management	J. Chilelli
	5000 – Challenges to Books and Other Materials	C. Durocher
	5006 – Home Instruction	F. Lettieri
	5011 – Service and Therapy Animals in Schools and Board Buildings	F. Lettieri
	7007 – Sun Sense	C. Durocher
	7015 – Student Dress Code	C. Durocher
5.	Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Time: 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Location: Google Meet / Board Room	
6.	Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.	



ELECTRONIC POLL/VOTE

1. REASON FOR ELECTRONIC POLL: PROJECT TO START IMMEDIATELY.
2. **Motion:** That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the Executive Search for the Director of Education to Gallagher Consulting.
3. VOTE BY TRUSTEES [Please Check (✓) appropriate box]

TRUSTEE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	UNABLE TO CONTACT
AMADIO, Carol	✓			
BRUNO, John	✓			
CAPUTO, John	✓			
COMMANDA, Kerri	✓			
D'AGOSTINO, Tony	✓			
LISKE, Lindsay	✓			
MacEACHERN, Carol	✓			
ROSILIUS, Kathleen	✓			
TREMBINSKI, Gary	✓			
TURCO, Sandra	✓			
TOTALS	10			

4. RESOLUTION CARRIED: YES (✓) NO ()
5. SIGNATURE OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD: 
6. DATE: April 8, 2024



Huron-Superior Catholic

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

ACCOMMODATIONS ALTERATIONS

at

St. Basil Catholic School

250 St. George’s Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

April 3, 2024

Submitted by: Steve Brown
Manager of Plant Services

The Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board’s Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) lists Equitable Stewardship of our Resources as one of its strategic directions. This report relates specifically to utilizing our resources responsibly, justly, responsively, and wisely.

Present: S. Brown (HSCDSB)
J. Pino (HSCDSB)
R. Talvitie (TAL.VT Architect Inc.)

Tenders for the Accommodations Alterations at St. Basil Catholic School project were received by the Huron-Superior-Catholic District School Board Plant Department on April 3, 2024. Five (5) tenders were received, with results as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Stipulated Price</u>
Ficmar Builders	\$490,465
S & T Group	\$540,753
First General	\$547,578
Mike Moore & Sons	\$571,074
Service Master	\$694,642

The budgeted cost for the project is \$500,000.

Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the contract for the Accommodations Alterations at St. Basil Catholic School project to Ficmar Builders.



Huron-Superior Catholic

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

BARRIER FREE UPGRADES

at

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School
319 Prentice Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
 and
St. Paul Catholic School
78 Dablon Street, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

April 9, 2024

Submitted by: Steve Brown
 Manager of Plant Services

The Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board's Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) lists Equitable Stewardship of our Resources as one of its strategic directions. This report relates specifically to utilizing our resources responsibly, justly, responsively, and wisely.

Present: J. Pino (HSCDSB)
 S. Brown (HSCDSB)
 C. Berkenbosch (IDEA Inc.)
 C. Hyndman (IDEA Inc.)

Tenders for the Barrier Free Upgrades at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School and St. Paul Catholic School, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, were received by the Huron-Superior-Catholic District School Board in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario on April 9, 2024. Three (3) tenders were received, with results as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Stipulated Price</u>
First General Services	\$457,459
Idea Inc.	\$515,308
Jobst Bros. Construction	\$580,007

The budgeted cost for the project is \$500,000.

Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the contract for the Barrier-Free Upgrades at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School and St. Paul Catholic School project to First General Services.



Huron-Superior Catholic

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

POLICY TITLE: SCHOOL FUNDS

Approved: March 25, 2009

Amended: April 17, 2024

POLICY NO: 4011

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POLICY

School funds have become an integral part of the Board’s efforts to enrich and support the experiences of students. Funds are generated at the school level from a variety of different sources and used in a number of different ways to enhance educational programs and to support school initiatives.

Schools and school boards are required to be accountable for the use of school funds. The Board has a mandated and fiduciary responsibility to ensure proper management of the funds to protect public trust.

ADOPTED Board Meeting - March 25, 2009

Motion B-20

AMENDED Board Meeting – October 15, 2014

Motion B-104

AMENDED Board Meeting – March 20, 2019

Motion B-355

AMENDED Board Meeting – April 17, 2024

Motion B-

DISTRIBUTION

- i) Trustees
- ii) Administration
- iii) Principals
- iv) Catholic School Councils
- v) O.E.C.T.A



Huron-Superior Catholic

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES SCHOOL FUNDS

The objective of this procedural guideline is to:

- Provide appropriate guidance, authority and protection to school staff and fundraising volunteers.
- Meet the public's expectations and validate the public's trust regarding the stewardship of school-based funds. Ensure consistency and standardization of guidelines across all schools.
- Meet the board's requirement under provincial regulations for the financial accountability of Catholic School Councils involved in fundraising.
- Establish the minimum requirements that should be followed to address accountability relating to the management of school-generated funds.

Sources and Uses of School-Generated Funds:

School generated funds most commonly are associated with fundraising initiatives within the school community. Funds are generated in schools from a variety of different sources and used in a number of different ways. This procedural guideline applies to all funds that are received, raised, or collected in the name of the school or school activity. These funds are under the direction and control of the school principal. Generally, this will mean all funds available to the school, other than funds provided by the approved budget of the board.

Examples of school-generated funds may include, but are not limited to:

- Pizza days, hot dog days, bake sales, etc.
- Chocolate bar campaigns
- Walk-a-thons, dance-a-thons, swim-a-thons, read-a-thons, etc.
- Student dress down days
- School dances
- School plays and concerts
- Juice and milk sales
- School clothing sales (e.g., gym uniforms) and school memorabilia

- School picture rebates
- Excursion fees
- Book (non-textbook) and magazine sales (including yearbooks)
- Athletic and activity fees
- Charity fundraising

Acceptable Uses of School Generated Funds:

- All purchases made using school-generated funds must comply with board policy.

Funds raised for a specific purpose must be used for the intended purpose.

All purchases should have a direct benefit for students and for the school community.

Unacceptable Uses of School Generated Funds:

- Goods or services from employees, where such a purchase would contravene [Section 217 of the Education Act](#).
- Mileage reimbursements to employees.
- Monetary payments to employees for services.
- Investments other than those permitted by the board and/or Ministry Regulation.

3. Accountability Roles and Responsibilities:

The board has a responsibility to ensure that all school-generated funds are collected in accordance with board policies and municipal, provincial and federal laws and regulations. This responsibility includes ensuring that all funds are adequately protected, that they are controlled through proper accounting procedures and that accountability for the funds is maintained.

Roles & Responsibilities of the Senior Business Official or Designate:

- Establish guidelines for school-generated funds.
- Provide training to staff on the appropriate application of the guidelines.
- Maintain a central file of annual financial reports from each school.
- Ensure that schools have suitable accounting systems and/or technology available for administering the school generated funds.
- Report any discrepancies to the Director of Education.
- In consultation with the Director of Education, report discrepancies to the Audit Committee and/or the board, if required.

Roles & Responsibilities of the School Superintendent:

- Reinforce to principals the need to adhere to board policy and procedural guidelines.
- Verify that schools are complying with the reporting requirements of these procedural guidelines.
- Report to the Director of Education:
 - (a) If funds are lost or stolen.
 - (b) Any misuse of funds.
 - (c) Failure to follow any policy or guidelines.

Roles & Responsibilities of the Principal:

- Ensure that these procedural guidelines are implemented in compliance with board policy.
- Act as one of the approved signing officers on the school bank account(s).
- Identify the individuals responsible for receipts, disbursements, banking and record keeping and communicate those responsibilities.
- Document plans on how funds will be spent, including carryover amounts from previous years and funds for which the intended purpose is no longer needed.
- Communicate with school communities why funds are being collected, how the funds will be used within a defined period of time, and what will be done with the unused funds.
- Provide the Business Department with the school's annual fundraising plans/forms.
- Prepare items for online payment via School Cash Online.
- Ensure that processes are in place to adequately control the funds within the school including security over cash and records.
- Ensure only school administrators have access and combination to the safe.
- Count and verify funds received for deposit.
- Deposit funds on a timely basis.
- Ensure that no staff members (including the principal/vice-principal), or members of the community, including Catholic School Council members, are collecting and managing funds in their own bank account.
- Communicate responsibilities to staff members.
- Ensure that there is a primary contact for each banking category, activity or class involved with financial transactions.
- Review, sign/initial and date the bank reconciliation and forward a copy to the business department on a monthly basis.

- Review records periodically with the primary contacts, to ensure reasonableness.
- Review and sign annual financial report provided by business department.
- Notify the School Superintendent and/or the Senior Business Official immediately if funds are lost or stolen.

Roles & Responsibilities of the Designated Individuals in the School:

- Implement these procedural guidelines as directed by the principal.
- Act as one of the approved signing officers on the school bank account.
- Assist in the count and verification of funds received for deposit.
- Assist in the preparation of bank deposits.

Roles & Responsibilities of the School Secretary:

- Issue cheques ensuring that all requests for payments are properly supported and approved by the principal.
- Record transactions on a regular basis.
- Complete the monthly bank reconciliation within one month of statement date.
- Prepare transaction reports as required.
- Record transactions through School Cash Register.
- Prepare annual financial report and submit to principal.
- Assist during audit.
- Assist the principal in proper record keeping and filing.

Roles & Responsibilities of Individuals Collecting School Funds:

- Collect money from students or other sources as applicable.
- Ensure funds collected are delivered to the designated individual on a daily basis.
- Ensure proper supporting documentation for all funds collected (form provided by board).
- Ensure that invoices have the appropriate approval and are delivered to the designated individual for payment.
- Ensure details of financial activity related to their class or club are recorded correctly.
- Ensure that funds received are disbursed as per the intent of the funds raised or collected.

- Request and review transaction reports on a regular basis and advise the principal of any discrepancy.

4. Banking/Receipts/Disbursements

Establishing a Bank Account:

- The school shall have only **one** “school generated funds” bank account.
- A second bank account may only be established where schools participate in Lotteries and Games of Chance and agreements stipulate that a separate bank account is required and approved by the Director of Education or designate.
- The bank accounts shall be in the name of the school.
- Cheques for the school bank account should be pre-numbered.
- The account shall require two signatures on all cheques, one of which must be the principal.
- Bank account(s) established should be such that statements are issued on a monthly basis, with copies of cleared cheques.
- The Director of Education or designate shall have access to all bank accounts.

Receipts:

- All money received at the school shall be stored in the school safe.
- All money collected shall be deposited to the bank account within at least two weeks of funds collected, with any amounts in excess of \$500 deposited weekly.
- Deposits must be made at different times and on different days of the week.
- Expenditures shall not be paid from the cash collected. The total funds (revenues) received are to be deposited to the bank and a cheque written to pay for expenditures.
- When the funds have been counted and prepared for deposit, a copy of the receipt, indicating the actual money count is returned to the individual originally submitting the funds.
- School Generated Funds form is to be completed and signed for all funds received.
- All Online payments are deposited by Kev Group.

Disbursements:

- All disbursements shall be recorded.
- All payments shall be made by cheque. There are to be no cash withdrawals from the bank account.

- Cheques shall not be pre-signed. Signature stamps are not acceptable.
- Payments shall only be made upon the presentation of invoices, receipts or other appropriate supporting documentation approved by the principal, with signature.
- Cheques shall not be made out to cash.
- When a cheque is issued the invoice must be marked paid and the cheque number and date recorded on the documentation.
- All cheques shall be accounted for. Voided cheques should be retained.
- Unused cheques should be stored in the school safe in order to prevent loss or theft.

5. Investments:

- Where a school has excess funds, they may be invested in the name of the school as permitted by Ministry Regulation (e.g., term deposits).
- These funds should be invested on a short-term basis (not to exceed 1 year), unless approved by the Senior Business Official.

6. Records Retention:

- All original documents, including paid invoices, cancelled cheques, bank statements, support for deposits and bank reconciliations shall be retained for seven years. It is recommended that the records of each year be boxed, labeled and stored in the school. The board will assist with procedures and guidelines for record keeping.



Huron-Superior Catholic DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

FIELD TRIPS - FORM B

APPLICATION FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVAL EXTENDED FIELD TRIP

SCHOOL: St. Francis

NAME OF TEACHER Renee Kelly Anna Gillespie GRADE 7 and 8

requests authorization to take his/her class to Toronto for the Skills Ontario: Provincial Entrepreneurship Showcase
(place or area)

Date of Departure: May 6, 2024

Date of Return: May 8, 2024

Number of Students: 3 Number of Staff: 2 Number of Adults: _____
(at least 1 required)

Note: Both male and female chaperones should accompany overnight trips with mixed student groups.

Means of Transportation: Air, Ground transportation
(Under no circumstances are students to drive other students.)

A detailed Itinerary must be provided with this application.
The itinerary must outline the educational value of the field trip and list the curriculum
and/or Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations being met.

Special provisions to provide for Universal Access: _____

Note: The Principal confirms that all "Volunteers" have had a Criminal Records Check and a Vulnerable Sector Screening and that all students have out of province/country medical insurance for travel outside the province/country. The principal also confirms that all staff/chaperones are aware of Policy 5003 Field Trips and its accompanying Procedural Guidelines.

Shawna Beck
(Signature of Principal)

March 22, 2024
(Date)

AUTHORIZATION

This Extended Field trip is approved.

(Signature of Director)

(Date)

Distribution: The Principal will sign the form and send it to the Director of Education.

Once approved by the Board of Trustees, a copy will be sent to the Principal for his/her records.

May 6 - 8, 2024
Skills Ontario: Provincial Entrepreneurship Showcase
Toronto Congress Centre - Cohen Ballroom

Staff Attending:

Anna Gillespie
 Renee Kelly

Overview:

As announced in the '2023-24 Priorities and Partnerships Funding (PPF)' memo on April 17, 2023, the Entrepreneurship Education Pilot Projects will promote entrepreneurship education for Grade 7 to 12 students, including developing an entrepreneurial mindset and skills to run a business or social enterprise.

The Provincial Entrepreneurship Showcase will allow students from St. Francis FI to share their business idea, deliver an elevator pitch, and meet mentor entrepreneurs.

This event also features a networking opportunity for students, keynote speakers, and business owners from a variety of different fields.

Date	Time	Details
May 6th	Evening	Parent(s)/Guardian(s) drop students off at Sault Ste Marie Airport 1.5 hours before evening flight departure. (Time TBD)
		Arrival Toronto Pearson: Free shuttle to hotel (DoubleTree) -St. Francis students and staff will stay at the same hotel St. Mary's College students/staff -Security guard booked for SMC students will also monitor this student room.
May 7th	8:00 am	Breakfast in the Hotel
	9:00 - 11:00	Tour Skills Ontario Competition - check in with SMC Team
	11:00 - 12:00	Lunch nearby
	12:00 - 1:00	Registration and Project Showcase
	1:00	Start of Formal Program and Live Stream
	1:00 - 1:10	Opening Remarks; Sam Turgeon-Brabazon (President, Skills Ontario Alumni Association)

	1:10 - 1:30	Keynote Speaker; Mandy Rennehan - The Blue Collar CEO
	1:30 - 3:15	Student Presentations (in – person and virtually)
	3:15 - 3:25	My Journey; Lina Shamoun (Owner, Artline Salon and Member, Skills Ontario Board of Directors)
	3:25 - 3:30	Closing Remarks; Sam Turgeon-Brabazon
	3:30 - 4:30	Check in with SMC Team
	4:30 - 6:00	Dinner nearby
	6:00	Return to hotel
May 8th	Early	Return flight home



REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
Math Achievement Action Plan (MAPP) Mid-Year Review

April 17, 2024

Submitted by:
Franca Spadafora
Superintendent of Education

The Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board's Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) lists Success and Well-Being of our Students, Nurturing of our Catholic Faith, Engagement with Employees and Partners and Equitable Stewardship of our Resources as four of its strategic directions. This report relates primarily to:

- Foster a culture of high standards and excellence
- Expose our school communities to dynamic instruction
- Provide regular updates and frequent opportunities to participate in meaningful dialogue and learning
- Utilize our resources responsibly, justly, responsively, and wisely
- Allocate resources equitably, not necessarily equally

Math Achievement Action Plan (MAAP) Mid-Year Review

HSCDSB's MAAP provides a framework for improving student Mathematics achievement, along with capacity building initiatives for educators and administrators.

There are five strategic actions which provide direction in meeting the outlined Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for each Priority Action.

Five Strategic Actions:

- 1) Continuous Use of Data
- 2) Educator Learning
- 3) Math Facilitators
- 4) Priority Schools / Classrooms
- 5) Developing Resources and Corresponding PD that supports Effective Instruction

MAAP Continued Areas of focus:**Priority Action #1: Ensuring Fidelity of curriculum implementation and use of instructional and assessment practices with a proven record of enhancing student achievement.**

- Increase teacher understanding and use of proven instructional and assessment practices (High Impact Instructional Practices)
- Draw explicit connections to and between mathematical processes and in lesson planning.

Priority Action #2: Engaging in ongoing learning to strengthen mathematics content knowledge for teaching.

- Promote the available resources (e.g., teacher supports on the Curriculum Classroom Resources website), experts, and professional learning to continuously develop content knowledge for learning.
- Model a positive and curious learning stance with mathematics to create an environment where students are excited to learn mathematics and develop into confident math learners.

Priority Action #3: Knowing the mathematics learner and ensuring mathematical tasks, interventions, and supports are relevant and responsive.

- Adapt lesson planning in response to data collected from multiple, frequent assessment opportunities.
- Understand and respond to students' mathematics strengths, needs and areas of interests using a variety of resources, including Individual Education Plans, report cards, and EQAO data.



St. Mary's College School Activity Report
April 2024

April 17, 2024

Submitted by:
Owen Middleton
Kenzie Garson
Mya Jensen
Student Trustees
St. Mary's College

Faith:

- Grade 9 and Grade 12 retreats have finished out at St. Kateri.
- It was wonderful to have Mrs. Barros-Rollin's class pray the Stations of the Cross in the Chapel during Holy Week.
- There has been increased use of the Chapel with classes by teachers, and not just Religion Teachers.
- Miss Parniak is now full time at the Curriculum Department so SMC is awaiting the hiring of a new Chaplain. In the meantime Miss Parniak has continued to plan morning prayers and prepared the Easter Masses which took place on April 10. Fr. Trevor celebrated with the Gr. 11 & 12 classes and Fr. Peter celebrated with the Gr. 9 & 10 classes.

Extracurricular Activities:

- The SMC Badminton team will be having multiple mini-meets in the next coming weeks. They recently went to a meet in Sudbury on April 5th.
- The Track and Field practice season officially starts next Monday, April 8th
- SMC has four soccer teams chosen, and they will be starting team practices on April 8th as well.
- The SMC Dance Team will be traveling to North Bay to compete against other schools and studios the weekend of April 12th-14th.
- The SMC Wrestling team was well represented at OFSAA, with 9 wrestlers competing for our school.

SMC Student Council:

- Student Council is continuing with the planning of our First Annual “Spring Fling” Semi-Formal Dance taking place on April 18th. This will be a dinner catered by Grand Gardens, followed by a dance for our Grade 9 and 10 students hosted at SMC.

Indigenous Student Advisory Council:

- The council attended a ribbon skirt workshop on April 5th
- The council will be participating in the Indspire Soaring Indigenous Youth Conference in Ottawa along with other Indigenous students at SMC to learn about careers, funding, post secondary options and to grow closer as a council
- The conference will be taking place from April 15th to April 17th

Student Senate:

- The Student Senate “What Would You Do With a Pot of Gold” Contest went very well. The three winning classes enjoyed the scavenger hunts held at their schools.
- Student Senate plans to hold Easter activities for the elementary school students to participate in. All Kindergarten to Grade 5 classes are asked to do a writing activity about “What Easter means to them”, and all Grade 6 - 8 classes are asked to create items to decorate their class prayer tables for the Easter Season.
- The winning Junior classes will have an Easter Egg Hunt hosted at their schools, and the winning Senior classes will get to visit SMC to participate in some fun activities.



March 19, 2024

Danny Viotto
Huron Superior Catholic District School Board
100 Ontario Avenue
Sault Ste. Marie, ON, P6B 1E3

Dear Danny,

On behalf of Algoma University's Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow Committee we wanted to thank you and the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board for your sponsorship of the 18th Annual Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow for your generous gift of \$1000.00. It was deeply moving to see so many participants gathered in support of our 18th Annual Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow (the largest one yet) with the theme of "Celebrating Life Long Learning".

A record-breaking \$30,000 was raised in sponsorships for the Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow this year; the most raised since its inception. Your contribution has made a substantial difference for Algoma University and its celebration of Anishinaabe culture.

You are integral to the Algoma University community and we value our ongoing relationship.

Thank you, Merci, Chi-Miigwetch!

Kindest regards,

Paul Sayers,
Manager, Indigenous Community Relations, Training and Development
Algoma University

