



ST. ANNE'S
CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



Renita Roxburgh
Principal

Laura Blackmore
Vice-Principal

April 8, 2026: CSAC AGENDA

Hybrid meeting: In - person location in the Library; Virtual option please use the link below.

Wednesday, April 8 - 5pm - 6pm

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/dmg-tmvh-pvh>

Welcome - Sharlene Bolen

- Prayer - Laura Blackmore
- Acceptance of agenda
- Review and acceptance of February minutes
- Student Trustee Report - Addison Thuss
- Principal's Report - Renita Roxburgh
- Old Business
 - Graduation Breakfast
- New Business
 - AI presentation April 9 for parents
 - Uniform update
 - Guest presenters for 2026-2027 - suggestions
- Closing prayer - Renita

Minutes:

Present: S Bolen, S Reid, L Blackmore, J Aitken, C Thuss, A Thuss, T DeWeerd, R Roxburgh

Sharlene Bolen welcomed everyone and Laura Blackmore began the meeting with prayer

JoAnne Aitken moved to accept the agenda and it was seconded by Shannon Reid



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JoAnne Aitken moved to accept the minutes as reviewed by Renita Roxburgh; it was seconded by Shannon Reid

Addison shared the events of the school from the students' perspective by reviewing the Student Trustee report for March. During this report review she shared:

- Our Share Lent project is underway. As of March 5, we have raised close to \$1,000 through a bake sale and classroom challenges. Addison then added that the total was above the goal when the final count came in at \$1200
- On March 5 and 6, students participated in the third annual Catholic Student Leadership Retreat at Camp Kintail.
- On March 12, we had Mass in the chapel along with Reconciliation with Fr. Tony.
- We continue with our weekly Lectio Divina and book study on Thursdays and Fridays.
- On March 25, our school participated in Black and White Civvies Day in support of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.
- On March 2, Grade 12 students participated in the CMHA vaping presentation.
- SHSM students participated in the ARISE workshop in London on March 2.
- On March 3, Grade 11 students participated in the CMHA vaping presentation.
- On March 3, we hosted the first of our Grade 8 Tech Days with St. Mary's (Goderich) and St. Joseph's (Clinton) in attendance.
- On March 3, students participated in a Fusion 360 design workshop using the 3D printers.
- On March 9 and 10, Grades 10 and 9 respectively also participated in the CMHA vaping presentations.
- On March 10, we hosted another Grade 8 Tech Day with St. Joseph's (Clinton) and St. Boniface.
- On March 11, SHSM students participated in the Grower Pesticide Safety Course.
- On March 23, interim reports were sent home.
- On March 24, Sacred Heart and Precious Blood attended St. Anne's for a Grade 8 Tech Day.
- On March 25, Grade 10 students are watching the Jackie Robinson story in the library.
- On March 26, Grade 9 students participated in Media Day in the gym.
- On March 31, St. James and Mount Carmel will attend St. Anne's for a Grade 8 Tech Day.
- On March 4, our band participated in a workshop with Hugh McGregor.
- The St. Anne's ringette team held its one-day tournament in Goderich.
- One student, Sofia Kluz, competed at OFSAA swimming and achieved a personal best.
- The Drama Club welcomed a guest presenter from the Blyth Festival.
- On March 11, the St. Anne's band attended MusicFest Regionals and won GOLD standing
- On March 27, the junior boys' hockey team will host a one-day tournament in Clinton.

Renita shared the Principal's report below:

Semester 2 has been busy, and lately without any weather interruptions.

We are excited to share that we will be opening our track shortly as we are just awaiting the final inspection of how to ensure the inner field is properly set. Once information has been shared



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with the school about the inner field, we will be able to allow our physical education classes, Track athletes and others use the track itself.

Since February we have been very focused on helping the grade 10 students prepare for the upcoming OSSLT which the majority will write tomorrow. We will continue to keep literacy initiatives as a focal point for all grade 10 and 9 students throughout the duration of the school year. We are seeing confidence levels build in the students who have been provided direct reading intervention support.

Our math department will be attending the OAME conference next month. During this learning opportunity they will be collaborating on building more relevant daily concepts into theoretical mathematics. Coding and financial mathematics are key areas of ensuring students have relevantly focused content. Later in May, our math team will be hosting students from grade 7 & 8 in our annual Math Olympics where our secondary students help put on math challenges for incoming students.

We are pleased to share that we will be hosting our students and those of ST Michael in May for the internationally accepted DELF test for French language comprehension. It will be held over 3 days with students who have studied French up to and including their grade 12 year, to challenge for a specific level of certification.

We are hosting a variety of student learning opportunities in assembly form over the next few weeks including one focused on the moral and ethical use of AI, a speaker addressing them about the use of technology and associated addictions (Anxious Generation) and bringing in Tribal Vision group who will share teaching from the Indigenous culture and provide some historical context to the lands upon which we live and have our communities.

Our year is quickly winding up as we continue to engage students in learning opportunities through field trips, experiential learning opportunities, and traditional classroom activities to head into final assessments in June.

We also have a few parent engagement nights to remind everyone, including one about AI (April 9 - Stratford) and the world of the trades (April 15 - Stratford) and Anxious Generation on May 5 (St Anne's). We encourage parents to attend any or all of these events.

And we thank all the parents for their involvement this year as we continue planning for the graduation breakfast and the celebrations of success of all the students in June.

Graduation Breakfast - update

JoAnne Aitken and Caroline Thuss shared that donated items of eggs, chocolate milk, maple syrup have been confirmed. Delivery will be navigated closer to June

A donation of bacon is still being worked on. Tania inquired who had been approached and she and Caroline swapped contact information for potential donors. If needed, the



bacon can be purchased and Caroline would investigate if local grocers might offer a reduced rate for purchasing large quantities.

Renita shared that grade 12 families had donated monies to offset the pancake breakfast and that NMS was keeping the cost of the pancakes and preparation at the same rate per person as last year -- \$5 per person

Renita also shared that other donated items had been selected and we had a reasonable number of parent volunteers at each stage -- preparation, serving and cleaning up.

Renita further shared that only a few items had been donated for the reception. She inquired whether it might be a good idea to follow up with another survey focusing on the reception items only or cash in lieu to ensure appropriate quantity. A new Google Form will be sent out for Grad Reception

Delegation of follow up with parents:

Caroline - volunteers for the preparation and follow up about delivery/pick up of donated items from the community (bacon? Chocolate milk)

JoAnne - volunteers for serving and clean up and follow up about delivery/pick up of donated items (maple syrup, eggs)

Tania - volunteers for reception and item being brought; will connect with Renita if other items should be provided by school to fill any gaps

Renita - follow up with students/parents donating specific items and will share group contacts with leads of sub-committees

Information was shared with parents about the AI information session that had been promoted by the HPCDSB being held Thursday, April 9 in Stratford. Students would also have a presentation geared for their learning on April 10.

Laura provided samples of potentially new items for the uniform.

[Please find detailed information in this link](#)

Parents present commented on the new material being softer and easier to use wear. Laura highlighted that these uniform options all have better accessibility for those who struggle with buttons and fine motor due to the fully or partially elasticized waist.

Student Cabinet had been provided the opportunity for feedback and were in favour of adding all the options.

CSAC members present agreed to include all items.



Laura shared they would be presented to staff at the next staff meeting.

Renita asked for ideas from the CSAC members for presentation items they thought would be of benefit to parents for planning into next year.

Caroline Thus suggested an information session on scholarships, OSAP (especially in light of potential changes recently being made) and other options for different pathways.

When asked if we should continue trying to put together an evening with the OPP (drug unit) and other community partners who deal with addictions, the response was it was always good to have current information. The school will continue trying to organize this undertaking.

Renita closed the meeting in prayer and once again thanked all the parents for their insights and participation during the year.



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