



**Waterloo Catholic
District School Board**
Quality, Inclusive, Faith Based Education

CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 6:00pm

Hybrid Meeting: [Join the meeting](#)

In-Person: St. Francis Room (2nd Floor) Catholic Education Centre

Online:

PARENT MEMBERS

Monsignor Doyle Family - **Joey Stephen**
Resurrection Family - **Chetna Tomar**
St. Benedict Family - **James Sebastian-Scott (Chair)**
St. David Family - **Craig LeBlanc**
St. Mary's Family - **Paul Marchwica**
Secondary: Cambridge (Budget) - **vacant**
Secondary: Kitchener - **Irene Vassalo**
Secondary: Waterloo- **vacant**
Member-at-Large - **Akpos Ohwofaraye**
Member-at-Large - **Paulina Ebie**
Member-at-Large - **Jennifer Allore**
Member-at-Large - **Tracey Antonio-Uttley**
Member-at-Large - **vacant**

TRUSTEES

WCDSB Trustee – **Marisa Phillips**
WCDSB Trustee – **Linda Cuff**

BOARD STAFF

Superintendent – **Paul Mendonca**
Elementary Administrator - **Andrew Gordon**
Secondary Administrator - **Monica Carlin**
Recorder – **Olja Djukanovic**

DEANERY REPRESENTATIVE

Diocesan Representative - **John Murphy**

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Laura Shoemaker





Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) - Agenda

Date:	January 14, 2026
Time:	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Location (Hybrid):	In-Person: St. Francis Room (2 nd Floor), Catholic Education Centre Online: Via Teams : Join the meeting
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<p>2. Approval of Agenda Motion by: Seconded:</p>	James/ Paul	2
<p>3. Approval of the November minutes: Motion by: Seconded:</p>	James/ Paul	2
<p>4. Discussion Items/Updates: 4.1. New Pastoral Plan-Presentation and Questions</p>	Richard Olson	30
<p>5. Superintendent Updates a. Community Representative Dr. Laura Shoemaker</p>	Paul	10



b. Other new members c. CSAC dates for the year d. CPIC Logo		
6. Faith/Diocesan Update	John	10
7. Trustee Updates	Marisa Linda	5
8. Administrator Updates	Monica Andrew	5
9. Pending Items	James/ Paul	
10. Gratitude and Closing Prayer	James/ Paul	5
11. Adjournment Motion by: Seconded:	James/ Paul	1



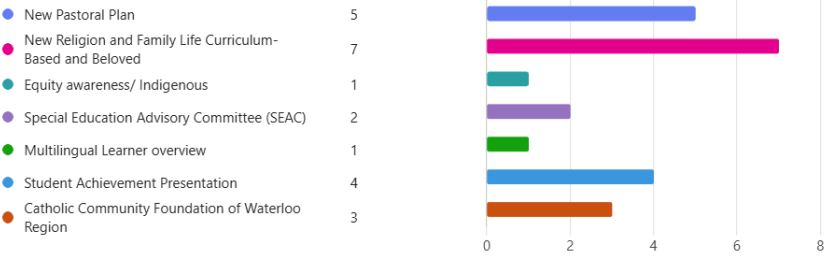


Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) - Minutes

Date:	November 26, 2025
Time:	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Location (Hybrid):	In-Person: St. Francis Room (2 nd Floor), Catholic Education Centre Online: Via Teams : Join the meeting
<p>Committee Members: Joey Stephen, Chetna Tomar James Sebastian-Scott, Craig LeBlanc, Paul Marchwica, Irene Vassalo, Akpos Ohwofaraye, Paulina Ebie, Jennifer Allore, Tracey Antonio-Uttley, John Murphy, Marisa Phillips, Linda Cuff Administrative Officials: Paul Mendonca, Andrew Gordon, Monica Carlin Absent: Akpos Ohwofaraye, Paulina Ebie and Tracey Antonio-Uttley</p>	

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<p>2. Approval of Agenda Motion by: Marissa Phillips Seconded: Irene Vassalo</p>	James/ Paul	2
<p>3. Approval of the September minutes: Motion by: Paul Marchwica Seconded: Craig Le Blanc</p>	James/ Paul	2
<p>4. Discussion Items/Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Review Updated Terms of Reference • Committee reviewed the updated Terms of Reference ➤ b. Survey Topic Results 	Paul	40



<p>1. Please choose from the past topics any that you believe would be beneficial and of interest to the CPIC Committee members. More details</p>  <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Topic</th> <th>Count</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>New Pastoral Plan</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Religion and Family Life Curriculum-Based and Beloved</td> <td>7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Equity awareness/ Indigenous</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Multilingual Learner overview</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Student Achievement Presentation</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region</td> <td>3</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Topic	Count	New Pastoral Plan	5	New Religion and Family Life Curriculum-Based and Beloved	7	Equity awareness/ Indigenous	1	Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)	2	Multilingual Learner overview	1	Student Achievement Presentation	4	Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region	3		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning presentations for the upcoming meeting based on the survey results. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Chair and Co-Chair- agenda • Welcoming James continuing his second year as the chair ➤ Review and vote on applications received for positions • Members to review the applications that were received ➤ CPIC Member for OAPCE Liaison • WCDSB OAPCE Liaison for this year will be Irene Vassalo ➤ Rotating Schedule for Prayer • Rotating schedule to be sent to group ➤ Communication Sub Committee • Joey and Marissa to remain on this committee • Posters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Suggestion that posters include all CPIC Members & CSAC Chair for the school – Digital copy to be shared on the school messenger can be added to school website ○ CSAC membership information not on the school websites – Paul to map out the procedure and to share with the Administrators • FOS communication example <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joey provided details about the format of the communication document he has been sharing with his FOS schools. ○ Committee members interested to attend some school council meetings (find out the dates) 																		
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