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Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes

Nov 6, 2023 6:30 pm

Attendance: Tanya Brancalion, Gina Falotico, Sandra Pereira (remote), Neisma Peredo, Renata Bieniek, Dave Randall, Lynn Rockett, Milena Piasentin, Cynthia Sudeyko, Stephanie Giorgio, Michael Freeze, Magda Kaniewski

- Welcome, Acknowledgement & Prayer

Catholic Education Week Prayer

We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ.
Lord, when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within;
when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts;
when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand;
when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy;
and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all,
for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are.

We are many, we are one.

Amen.

We are here to pay respect and recognize that this is the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations, and we are here because this land was occupied. In recognizing that this space occupies colonized First Nations territories, and out of respect for the rights of Indigenous people, it is our collective responsibility to recognize our colonial histories and present-day implications and honour, protect and sustain this land.

1. Welcome/ Introduction by Brea Corbet
2. Review and approve minutes from last council meeting
3. Chair Report
Money raised from last year:

BBQ: \$272.01
PURDY'S CHOC: \$627.15
COOKIES: \$448.35
SUBS: \$704.55
HERO BURGERS: \$667.57

- Will get Hero Burger to deliver at a later time moving forward so the food is warmer
- BBQ Date: June 14th, Voted on unanimously
- This year: Terra Cotta cookies, start Nov 13 – 27th; flyer will go out to community; delivery date Dec 11th

3. Principal Report

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Catholic Faith Life

St John of the Cross-Sacraments-All information will be communicated through the Church and School Newsletter..

Monthly visits from the Rosary Apostolate Ms. Cassells

Sharelife Donation-Cookie Sales ongoing

St Vincent de Paul-\$200 from popcorn sales

Pastoral Plan is completed-waiting on SO approval to post to website

Remembrance Day Liturgy November 10th

Christmas Mass December 11th

Raised \$3700 for Terry Fox Marathon of Hope

Assessment For As and of Learning

Progress Reports going home Tuesday, November 14th

Interview Evening Thursday, November 16th

Friday, November 24th PD Day Provincial Priorities (agenda will be shared)

EQAO Results for 2022-2023

	Primary Reading	Change from 2021-2022	Primary Writing	Change from 2021-2022	Primary Mathematics	Change from 2021-2022
Dufferin-Peel	77%	-2%	70%	-2%	60%	1%
Mississauga North						
St Richard	85%	-12%	69%	-21%	69%	-18%

	Junior Reading	Change from 2021-2022	Junior Writing	Change from 2021-2022	Junior Mathematics	Change from 2021-2022
Dufferin-Peel	87%	0%	88%	1%	48%	4%
Mississauga North						
St Richard	91%	3%	96%	14%	52%	28%

1. Catholic Education Week

- Saidat Presentations for whole school Wednesday, May 8th

2. Coming up

Nationwide Lacrosse Grades 3 to 8 November 9th

Santa Photos and stories November 28th

Wednesday November 29th immunization clinic in gym for grades 7 and 8 students

Intermediate boys and girls volleyball

Junior coding club

3. Support from Council

Parent Engagement- Any ideas for the \$500 Grant

-Beading Buds

-Athletics

Outdoor Ed Money (\$2000)

- Can council supplement the remaining \$3000 for Jungle Sport (February 12th -15th)

4. Updates from the previous month

PALS Program started up with our CYW Ms. Brathwaite

Primary STEAM day-Primary students rotated through 5 different STEAM Activities

https://drive.google.com/file/d/12TKHZPZmNrn8FqhHGjTV9dJ_abvIhdBO/view?usp=drivesdk

Board Game Club up and running with Ms. Tonkovic

Cross Country-over 20 kids participated at the Family level-Grade 5 Girls came in first at the Families event and went on to represent St Richard at the Board level.

Intermediate Coding club with Ms. Maloney and Ms. Cassells

Wellness committee with Ms Rossi, Ms Brathwaite and our Peel Health Nurse Ms. Titantic

Ms. Christy took 4 grade 7 students to a Wellness Workshop

Junior Boys Volleyball

Junior Girls Volleyball-Girls went on to represent us at the Family level

Choir-Ms. McHutchon and Ms. Tannus. Ms. McPhail volunteering with the students

Wellness lounge for staff and students finished

Wellness room for students still working on

Additional Notes:

- Christmas Mass: Dec 11st @ 6:00 pm; all council kids that want to participate will, similar to last year;
- There will be Mohawk games in April
- Santa photos: read w kids up to Grade 3, greeting kids w candy canes at the back, he will be here all day; \$10/photo (either individual or family), \$5 for extra digital copy
- \$500 grant: split between graduation and BBQ, voted unanimously
- Beading buds: voted on, voted 'yes' unanimously
- Athletics: Tanya asked if council can put any money towards this
- Outdoor Ed Money – Jungle Sport will be setting up sporting apparatus indoors for the kids the week of February 12th; total is \$5000, ask is for offsetting from council if possible of \$3000

- Board game club started, an email will go out to parents asking for board game donations

4. Fundraising Initiatives

- Chocolate fundraiser is for the Spring, will connect in the New Year, targeted delivery before Easter (March 31st); delivery for week of March 18th – 22nd
- Cookies fundraiser is for November
- Need one more fundraiser: discussed Little Caesar's, gift cards, Cineplex; will discuss and decide at a later date; Magda will look into this and get info to open this fundraiser and have it ongoing until end of May, voted on unanimously to move forward to gathering more information

5. Treasurer's Report

- Council account sitting at \$4648.14
- \$1936.14 will be left once all lunch providers are paid out
- School account \$24,150.85, will be left with \$19,645 when take out upcoming costs
- Council will add wording to our communications/initiatives that we are aiming to use our fundraising proceeds for shade in the back; council will include option to donate through the link in our fundraising communications; "voluntary donation fundraiser" is the wording to be used and will include the link
- We need to figure out what the 'goal' is as the next step, Tanya to look into cost of shading in the back then we can determine the timeline of reaching the goal

6. Teacher/ non Teacher Report

- Mrs. Pereira: scientists in the school would be great to have again with help from the council (but may get this covered by a grant); also, \$100 for each teacher to spend on supplies (25 teachers in total); will revisit in January after the cookie fundraiser

7. Any other Business or Questions

Motion to adjourn by Neisma, seconded by Cynthia;
