



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

*“Our mission, based on the values of Christ, through the guidance of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, is to involve family, parish, community, and members of the school community
In fostering a positive, caring and Catholic environment by providing input, advice and support.”*

WEDNESDAY, May 10, 2023 – UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order: 6:30 PM – at Mount Carmel.

Welcome offered by Neisma Peredo.

Council Members in Attendance:

Jennifer Varnam – Principal

Mary Ambrogio– Vice Principal

Michelle Cholette

Neisma Peredo

Georgena Skariah

Tricia Simon

Katiana Cisneros Panza

Martha Major

Shazia Soorma

Regrets: Josh Nejasmic, James McLevey

Absent: Gulshan Tanveer, Jungbahadur Kirpanz, Syeda Mahnaz Niaz, , Brenda Kennedy

Opening Prayer: Neisma Peredo, Our Father

Approval of the March 29, 2023 Minutes: Motion made by Neisma, seconded by Shazia

Approval of the May 10, 2023 Agenda: Motion made by Neisma, seconded by Georgena.

Treasurer’s Report: Tricia Simon

- The opening balance is \$1,336.53.
- For the uniform sale conducted on April 12, we collected \$498.90, making a total balance of \$1,835.43
- Neisma submitted the Christmas baskets receipt for \$200 which will bring the closing balance to \$1,635.43.

Parish Report: There is no update for this period.

OAPCE Report: Katiana Cisneros Panza

- It was informed that the parent information scheduled to be conducted by Teresa Hartnet was cancelled.

Teaching Staff Report: Michelle Chloette

- SHSM teacher has thanked the parent council for the purchase of go-pro.
- There are a few spots available for the Europe trip of March 2024.
- The tennis team has advanced to the OFSA.
- The semi-formal organized by the student council was a great success.
- The multi-cultural fair will take place on May 24 in two time slots 4:30-6:30pm and 7:00-9:00 pm. Tickets are to be purchased through school cash online and is \$5 per person. More information is available on the school website or Instagram.

Non-Teaching Staff Report:

- Yukon trip takes place on May 13.
- The end of the year school mass has been moved to June 7th, 2023.

Principal's Report: Jennifer Varnam

- The principal thanked the parent council for their tremendous support for the past year.
- A wishlist for a 360 classroom and more relevant literature for South America was expressed to the parent council.
- The prom venue has been changed to Oasis. More communication will be sent by email.
- 10 of the portables will be removed.
- The potholes will be fixed, and some repairs will be done in the library.
- Next school year the use of lockers will be enforced due to safety reasons
 - As a clarification to the Mar 29, 2023 meeting minutes, this was discussed and agreed upon by council and the school.
 - Students will be informed at the end of this year
- Question: Are the OLMC formal navy blue shorts still a part of the school uniform? = YES

Chairperson's Report: Neisma Peredo

The uniform sale was a great success. Neisma thanked everyone and appreciated the council for their constant support.

AOB:

- Based on the wishlist received from the principal,
 - Neisma motioned to allocate \$1500 for the 360 classroom and literature for South America, and it was seconded unanimously.
 - Neisma motioned to allocate \$100 towards one student for the 2023 valedictorian award, and it was seconded unanimously.
 - After the above payments, the closing balance will be \$35.43

Motion to adjourn made by Neisma, seconded by Katiana.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 4, 2023. All are welcome wholeheartedly.

