



## St. Cornelius School Council Meeting Minutes Monday, May 16, 2022

**6:30 – 9:45 PM – In Person & Virtual Meeting**

**Council Attendance:**

Francisco Torres (P), Annalisa Sodhi (P), Marina Glinski (P), Loretta De Grazia (P), Joanna Cataldo (P), Nicole Russo (P), Sabrina Merola (P), Rosa Tarantino (P), Brenda Giardetti (P), Sue Petricca (Online), Patricia Scornavacca (Online)

**Guests:**

| TOPIC  | DISCUSSION   | RESPONSIBLE                        | ACTION |
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| <b>Welcome Prayer, Land Acknowledgement &amp; Attendance</b> | Meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m. Loretta led an opening prayer. Attendance was taken. Land acknowledgment was read by Mr. Torres   | Loretta/Marina/<br>Ms. Sodhi       |        |
| <b>Agenda &amp; Approval of Previous Mtg. Minutes</b>        | The agenda and minutes of March 30, 2022 were approved by the members of the Catholic School Council (CSC).<br><br><b>MOTION: moved by Sabrina Merola seconded by Brenda Giardetti that the agenda be approved that the agenda be approved. CARRIED</b><br><br><b>MOTION: moved by Sabrina Merola seconded by Marina Glinski that “the CSC minutes of March 30, 2022 be approved”. CARRIED</b>   | All CSC Members                    |        |
| <b>Trustee Report</b>  | Mr. Dicosola was unable to attend the meeting this evening.  | Frank Di Cosola                    |        |
| <b>Parish Report</b>   | Communions have finished<br>-In total 55 children from St. Cornelius received their sacrament.<br><br>Confirmations have begun<br>-67 young people are due to be confirmed this year<br><br>Confirmation Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barletta – May 28</li> <li>• Moretta – June 4</li> <li>• Pitcher – June 11</li> <li>• Edge Program has begun at St. John the Evangelist Church – Edge is a youth ministry available to children in Grades 5-8</li> </ul> -It takes place twice a month from 1 pm – 3 pm. Next session is May 22<br><br>Family of Schools mass – June 16 <sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m. at St. John’s Church<br>June 27 – Grade 8 Graduation at 6 pm at Robert F. Hall | Sue                                |        |
| <b>OAPCE Report</b>  | Next OAPCE meeting is May 25, 2022   | Brenda                             |        |
| <b>Yearbook Update</b>                                       | Yearbook is underway – almost done. Should be completed and delivered to the school by June 27 <sup>th</sup> for graduates to be able to have  | Loretta DeGrazia<br>for Lisa Lecce |        |

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|  | <p>it signed at their luncheon. Lisa is waiting on the last Confirmation photo to be able to include it in the Yearbook.</p> <p>Lisa requires an individual headshot from each council member. Members are to email Lisa Lecce.</p> <p>Yearbook orders have been sent to parents through School Cash Online. Reminders are sent out continuously.</p>  |              |  |
| <b>Treasurer's Report</b>                      | <p>Bank account did not change at all from February to March 31, 2022.</p> <p>Total funds - \$17,110.81</p> <p>Outstanding cheques that have been approved total \$1,944.65</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Teacher crafts (Easter, Mother's Day and Father' Day)</li> <li>-Supplies for council</li> <li>-Sacraments</li> </ul> <p>\$14,166.16 is available</p> <p>Budget items not spent is \$11,189.60</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-FDK celebration of learning has occurred</li> <li>-Sensory path and mural have been taken over by the school</li> </ul> <p>\$2,976.56 will be left in account</p>  | Rosa/Loretta |  |
| <b>Principals/VP's Report/Teacher's Report</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Prayer cards and pins were distributed to council members by Mr. Torres</li> <li>-Thank you for all the work you've put into this year - it doesn't go unnoticed.</li> <li>-Catholic Education Week, Scientists in the School &amp; Arts for Grade 7 &amp; 8 - students did not pay - funded by a grant and school funds</li> <li>-Journey into Learning - 32 students starting FDK in September</li> <li>-Book Fair occurred over Catholic Education Week - Thank you Ms. Ricitano</li> <li>-\$702 was raised for ShareLife this year</li> <li>-Student in Grade 8 created Sunflower pin to raise money for Ukraine. \$545 raised for Peace for Ukraine.</li> <li>-EQAO - Grade 3 and Grade 6 - starts on Tuesday, May 24 to June 24. Teachers are setting up online sessions. It will all be virtual this year. All students will have the technology they need to complete this assessment.</li> <li>-After school tutoring has been taking place Mondays and Wednesdays for students in Grade 4 - 8. Ms. Coward, Ms. Alvaro and Ms. Cassar are teaching the tutoring sessions.</li> <li>-Teachers reached out to parents of students who they felt would benefit from the extra support. These are students not already receiving school support (i.e., No IEP)</li> <li>-In school tutoring FDK - Grade 3 - teachers are taking small groups and helping students with literacy skills twice a week for 40 minutes.</li> <li>-School teams and clubs have started up. Intermediate basketball took place. Junior girls and boys basketball tournament is taking place on Wednesday. Junior and Intermediate softball practices taking place, chess club tournament on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Choir has started up for Grade 7 &amp; 8 students. Games club with CYW, Mr. Ens during recess for the Primary and Junior students.</li> <li>-Grade 8s to take place in wellness morning at RH Hall</li> <li>- "More to Me Thank You Can See" for grade 5 students</li> <li>-Girls Night on May 25<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>-Grade 7 Boys and Girls Day Retreat - June 15<sup>th</sup> - will be led by Social Worker and CYW. Students will get treats and food - determining how day will look for them.</li> </ul> | Mr. Torres   |  |

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|                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “Voices” came into the school – young black students from RF Hall and had discussion with Grade 8 students about racial issues.</li> <li>- Yearbook order and Grad Tickets due May 31<sup>st</sup></li> <li>- Graduation will take place on June 27<sup>th</sup> at RF Hall. School is asking Grade 8 teachers to find out how many guests students plan on bringing. Families are asked to be mindful of bringing immediate family and grandparents only.</li> <li>- For Sacraments – Church permits one pew per family</li> <li>- Families who are moving please let the office know asap.</li> <li>- Planning for classes is taking place – thank you for sending in letters regarding your child’s class placement.</li> <li>- Reorganization will likely take place – hopefully not as much as this year.</li> <li>- Mural has been put up in front entrance. Students were able to see the mural this morning and were pleased with what they saw.</li> <li>- Sensory pathway is being installed shortly.</li> <li>- Covid updates – notification letters are still being sent out if parents inform the office that their child tests positive. This will continue if Peel Public health requires it.</li> <li>- Staff and students’ absenteeism are being reported on the board’s website.</li> <li>- Report Cards – June 2<sup>nd</sup> is report card writing day. June 22<sup>nd</sup> report cards go home electronically. Report cards will be sent to your child’s school email.</li> <li>- Sacrament of Confirmation is taking place in June – 3 classes left.</li> <li>- Field Trips are permitted once again.</li> </ul> |                       |  |
| <p><b>Chair’s Report</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Joanna will speak with Malik regarding the second Spirit Wear online store.</li> <li>- Grad shirts will be coming in two weeks</li> <li>- Lunch programs for next year – maybe pasta, subs, booster juice (wrap and juice).</li> <li>- Flame House Grill in Bolton – Owner’s children go to St. Cornelius, and she has offered to help with fundraising.</li> <li>- Marina and Loretta will contact the various restaurants to get some pricing for September.</li> </ul>   | <p>Loretta/Marina</p> |  |
| <p><b>CSC Requests</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A top up is required for sacraments – students that were supposed to celebrate last year are celebrating this year therefore the cost is more. Asking for an additional \$87.15</li> <li>- Sensory path and mural have been taken over by the school. Council voted on back to school and graduation banners previously. These are required before the school year ends. Measurements need to be confirmed.</li> <li>- School murals are still underway (all staircases except the ones near the gym) will have some form of inspirational items on the walls. This is still being finalized. This may carry forward to next year. Loretta and Marina are working with Mrs. Sodhi. Plan was changed at the last minute. iStock photo sells images which council plans on purchasing. This is a work in progress.</li> <li>- 74 Grade 8 Graduates – Therefore need more funds for yearbook and hoodie.</li> <li>- \$934 was not used by teachers and therefore money will be put back into council’s account.</li> <li>- Grant was given to the school council by the Town of Caledon to plant and fix up the outdoor classroom. Marina got a donation of two</li> </ul>   | <p>Loretta/Marina</p> |  |

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|  | <p>trees and they were planted outside. We requires somebody to keep up the garden and water the trees in the hotter months. Brenda asked if we can use some council money to hire somebody to water them.</p> <p>-Council is requesting a rain barrel and a retractable hose to assist with maintaining the garden.</p> <p>-Marina is asking that council members help one weekend in May to pick weeds, plant flowers and clean up garden.</p> <p>-Rock Garden is donating rocks to the school – manpower is required to move the rocks.</p> <p>-\$182.89 is the cost of the rain barrel.</p> <p>-\$213.56 is the cost of the retractable hose (however this is not permitted in the school)</p> <p>-\$57 extra for Graduation for online learner who is graduating</p> <p>-Office supplies \$43.26</p> <p>-\$87.15 for extra Sacramento gifts</p> <p>-Set aside \$2000 for next year’s graduation gift so that the grad hoodies can be ordered in September for students to have all year. There are currently 64 Grade 7 students.</p> |                      |  |
| <b>School Requests</b>                                   | No requests at this time   | Mr. Torres/Ms. Sodhi |  |
| <b>Fundraising</b>                                       | <p>Ideas for fundraising for September:</p> <p>-Kernels (Treat Tuesdays) – these come in a big bag and would have to be bagged prior to the actual day or individual bags however these are more expensive.</p> <p>-Krispy Kreme donuts</p> <p>-Pretzels during Lent</p> <p>Fundraisers to kick off the school year – this needs to take place during the summer so that we are ready to go for the start of the year.</p> <p>-McGregors Meats is also a good one to do in September. If students reorganize it won’t matter because it’s not attached to a class.</p> <p>-Krispy Kreme in October – council members will pick up the donuts, Joanna will send the contact’s name to Loretta.</p> <p>-Mr. Torres suggested chocolates. This is a lot of work and requires a lot of manpower. Because we have moved to School Cash Online, we would have to look into how to collect money for this type of fundraiser.</p>   | Loretta/Marina       |  |
| <b>Prioritize/Vote for Council &amp; School Requests</b> | <p>-Rain barrel - \$182.89 – <b>Motion: Moved by Brenda Giardetti, Seconded Nicole. Motion APPROVED</b></p> <p>-Retractable hose removed</p> <p>-Top up for hoodie for additional graduate – <b>Motion: Moved by Rosa Tarantino, seconded by Brenda Giardetti, Motion APPROVED</b></p> <p>-Top up for yearbook for additional graduate for \$35 – <b>Motion: Moved by Rosa Tarantino, seconded by Nicole Russo, Motion APPROVED</b></p> <p>-Sacramental gift top up – <b>Motion: Moved by Nicole Russo, seconded by Sabrina Merola, Motion APPROVED</b></p>  | Loretta/Marina       |  |

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|   | <p>\$43.26 for office supplies (labels) – <b>Motion: Moved by Brenda Giardetti, seconded by Rosa Tarantino, Motion APPROVED</b></p> <p>Graduation Gift for Class of 2023. 64 students x \$35 = \$2240 – <b>Motion: Moved by Nicole Russo, seconded by Sabrina Merola, Motion APPROVED</b></p> <p>-Consider hosting open house BBQ on September 22, 2022</p> |                 |  |
| <b>Closing Prayer &amp; Adjournment</b> | Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.  | All CSC Members |  |
| <b>Future Meeting Dates</b>             | Thursday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2022  | All CSC Members |  |