



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Corpus Christi Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

Time: 5:30 pm – 7.30pm

Staff Attending:

Principal Matthew Di Fiore
Teacher Rep Diana Emanuele

Attendees:

Chair: Leela Johnson
Secretary: Sharini Wijeyesekera
Treasurer: Vacant
OAPCE: Joseph Prem
Parish Rep: Kimberly Torrijas
Regrets: Chair of the Board/Catholic School Trustee Luz del Rosario; Catholic School Trustee Stefano Pascucci

Items:

1. Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement	Matt Di Fiore led the prayer and land acknowledgement.
2. Welcome	Catholic School Trustees – Luz del Rosario & Stefano Pascucci Trustees were excused from today’s meeting because of the DPCDSB Public Budget Consultation Webinar from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Trustee’s Monthly newsletter was forwarded on March 28, 2024.
3. Approval of Agenda	Approved by Kimberly Torrijas & Joseph Prem.
4. Approval of Minutes: January 10, 2024	Approved by Leela Johnson & Joseph Prem. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes will be published on the school website on April 25, 2024.
5. Chair Update (Leela Johnson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education Conference held on April 13, 2024. Some of the items discussed include admission of non-Catholics to the school system, introduction of laws to restrict children from bringing cellphones to school and giving teachers the discretion to monitor and discipline accordingly.

<p>6. Parish Update (Kimberly Torrijas)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cristo Rei Parish weekly schedule shared and can be found at: https://www.cristo-rei.com/ ● Celebration of First Holy Communion & Confirmation Sacraments ● Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima – Monday, May 13, 2024 ● It was noted that Father Carlos, Parish Priest will be transferred to Toronto end of 2024. The school together with the Council will arrange a service in recognition of his services to the School for the past 14 years.
<p>7. Treasurer’s Report (Matt Di Fiore)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review of Current Year School Generated Funds and School Council Accounts ● School Council Balance: \$3,762.85 ● School Generated Funds Balance: \$3,728.20 – sales from food items ● The school plans to keep \$3000 at the end of the year. Intends on spending some of the funds on the BBQ and other summer activities and purchasing new Chromebooks. ● School Generated funds are raised mainly through Pop up Pizza days, hot food sales, tuck shop and Freezy Fridays.
<p>8. OAPCE Report (Joseph Prem)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● OAPCE Dufferin-Peel Website: https://www.oapce.org ● OAPCE Meeting Dates Shared ● Conference was held last week done in a very professional way. Overall we gained a lot of insights. School Board is doing a lot. ● Electronic media and technology are getting in the way of kids. Discussed letting the teachers have more flexibility on deciding how to manage it.
<p>9. Administration/School Updates</p>	<p>Matt Di Fiore & Diana Emanuele</p>
<p>a) Catholicity, Social Justice, Stewardship, & Community Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choir @ Board Office Mass – April 17, 2024, Ms. Bowden, Ms. Volchuk, Mr. Di Fiore was present. ● Circles of Rosary – April 25th & May 9th ● Catholic Education Week – May 5th to 10th, many activities planned. ● Crowning of Mary Liturgy & Virtue of Acceptance Assembly – Friday, May 10, 2024 @ 9:00 am. Parents welcome to attend. ● May 8 live stream of mass as a Board.

<p>b) Learning Environment: School Operations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Walk to School Prizes – Request from Ms. Volchuk for council to fund some prizes for \$350 – started last week and it’s put into a raffle and winners are chosen. Voted and approved by Council. ● Animation & Lego Robotics Provincial Skills Competition – Monday, May 6, 2024 – At the Board office – they will be going for the provincials to Toronto. Huge accomplishment for the school. ● Book Fair – May 7-13, 2024 – running with catholic education week. ● Victoria Day – Monday, May 20, 2024 (No School) ● EQAO – May 28-30 (Grade 3) & June 5-6 (Grade 6) ● Religion & Family Life Education Updated Curriculum PowerPoint Presentation Shared <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The new curriculum will take effect in September 2024. – Main highlights include, learning in the catholic classroom, religious education, family life education, family life program goals and theological elementary curriculum. – The students and teachers can access the curriculums for Grades 1-8 through www.pearsoncanada.ca/growinginfaith/student-home/ Student Login: Username: dpcdsb Password: Student99 – The new curriculum was developed by the Institute of catholic education https://iceont.ca/
<p>c) School/Community Engagement – School Events, Athletics & Extra-Curricular Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Showcase Dance Team Competition – April 24th @ Iona Secondary School – Nice photograph was shared at the Meeting and on the school’s official Twitter Page. ● Welcome to Kindergarten / Journey into Learning – Thursday, May 9, 2024 @ 5:30 pm – more information will be shared with RSVP. ● French Café – Thursday, May 16, 2024 ● Athletics – Intermediate Basketball, Intermediate CO-ED Soccer, Intermediate Softball, Intermediate Beach Volleyball, Track & Field – POD tournament both teams made it to the finals. The girls did a fantastic job.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jays Care Rookie League Program (Grades 2-8) – Ms. Emanuele & Ms. Pozdrowski helping 80 students – learning how to play baseball. • Musical Performances: Tuesday, June 18th (Evening) & Wednesday, June 19th (Afternoon & Evening)
d) Physical Environment: Health & Safety / Plant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health Awareness Week – May 6-10 • Summer Construction – Room 111
10. AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Catholic School Council Meeting: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 @ 6:30 pm (Library & TEAMS)
11. Closing Prayer	Kimberly Torrijas
12. Adjournment	Motion Carried – Leela Johnson & Diane Emanuele.
13. Public Budget Information Webcast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webinar was viewed from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm via Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/98894728262?pwd=Q0oza01rREMrNG1YS2lpclRaQU05QT09