

St. Herbert School Advisory Council Meeting Agenda

June 2, 2021 - 7:00 pm

Chair Person: Desiree Ali

Co-Chair: Christina Moss

Treasurer: Frady Yacoub

Secretary: Sandra Silva

Parish Rep: Melissa Grima

OAPCE Rep: Liesl Florentino-De Angelis

Teacher Reps: Joanne Percuklijevic, Lidia Fifield

Parent Reps: Rachele Rodas, Lisa Nucci, Nicole Mills, Donna Bozzo, Shauna Archibald, Shauna Archibald, Michael Russo, Maria Cossetti, Lisa Swatogor, Andrea Torchia

Non-Teacher Rep: Helen Cascioli

Principal: Walter Matos

1) Opening Prayer: Opening pray by Melissa Scaffidi

2) Approval of April 21, 2021 SAC meeting minutes: Meeting minutes approved by Melissa Scaffidi and Linda Tobi-Isiekwena

3) Principal's Update:

- **Announcements:**

- After over 30 years of outstanding public service with Dufferin Peel we are sad to announce that Mrs. Fifield and Mrs. Carlone will be retiring. We are excited for the new chapters they will begin to write when they start their retirements. Please join in wishing Mrs. Carlone and Mrs. Fifield many years of health and happiness as they embark on their next chapters of their lives. Their non-wavering dedication and love for students and teaching will not be forgotten.

- **Board Update:**

- Trustees voted and approved administrator transfers and appointments at last night's Board meeting and I will continue to be St. Herbert's principal next year. Next year will be my 8th and final year. I hope you have enjoyed these last 7 years as much as I have. I have been blessed to work with such outstanding people; staff and parents included. No one has better well-rounded students than we do and that is a credit to our parents and staff.

- **PA Day: Term 2 Report Card Writing Day on Monday June 7th:**

- June 7th is a day set aside for teachers to write their second term report cards. No asynchronous work will be provided on this day.
- Reports will be sent home on Tuesday June 22nd.

- **DPCDSB Parent/Guardian Community - New Math and Coding Workshop:**
 - An invite was sent to all parents regarding this livestream that introduces parents to the exciting world of Math and Coding in Grades 1-8. Parents are invited to attend this workshop on either, Tuesday, June 8th 7pm-8pm or Thursday, June 10th 7pm-8pm.
 - Topics will include:
 - What is coding and why it is important?
 - How coding can be used as a tool to represent math.
 - A demonstration of Math + Coding activities across grades.
 - Ideas to support the building of coding skills at home.
 - A reminder email with the links will be sent to parents once again in case some missed the original email invite.
- **End of School Year Mass – Wednesday June 16th at 10 a.m.:**
 - Father Paul and Father Michael have prepared an end of school year mass for their schools. They provided a link for us to play a pre-recorded mass.
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/13MR9jy9zfiHBbI3nQ3IsbjBHon0fdLqu?usp=sharing>
 - We will be watching the mass as a school community on Wednesday June 16th at 10 a.m.
 - First Holy Communion and Confirmation dates have been postponed to the Fall. More information will be shared as it is received.
- **Chef a L'Ecole:**
 - Madame Monga successfully applied for a French experience grant and won this virtual cooking experience for our grade 4 to 8 students.
 - It will take place over two days, Tuesday June 22nd and Wednesday June 23rd.
 - Each participating teacher and student will receive an apron to celebrate this fun event.
 - Madame will let the students know they can come in to pick up their aprons on any school day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. before the presentation dates.
- **Grade 8 Graduation:**
 - We are waiting for Ministry approval, but we have Edge Imaging tentatively set to visit the school on Wednesday June 9th if permissible for Grad photos. We will communicate with parents and students as soon as we get confirmation.
 - Our Grad ceremony video will be released on Thursday June 24th and we are planning a staggered Grad clap out for Friday June 25th.
- **Last Day of School - Tuesday June 29th:**
 - We are waiting for direction from the Board regarding material pick up and drop off. We do not have a set date for this process yet, but we will let you know as soon as we get direction.

4) Treasurer's Report:

- Balance as of April 21, 2021 was \$4590.01.
- Balance as of June 2, 2021 is \$4586.06.

5) Any other business:

- Anyone looking to book a second vaccine dose can go to Real Canadian Superstore - 15900 Bayview Ave, Aurora, Ontario, L4G7Y3, (905) 726-9535. Only offering Pfizer. Call them after 3pm and ask if they have any left over. People call and cancel and they don't want to have to waste doses.
- Our OAPCE rep, Florentino-De Angelis, would like to share a link that contains Parent Engagement links in relation to 'positive parenting' resources and tools. In this resource link there are several topics covered, such as mental health, building relationships, mathematics, culture, belonging and empathy. Parents and guardians may find some useful information in this resource which can be accessed using the following link:
<https://www.oapce.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Parent-Engagement-Resource-List-to-accompany-OAPCE-webinar-November-2020.pdf>
- **Luz Del Rosario Update:**
 - Thank you for being part of the council and working with the board this year.

- Virtue of the month is Fairness. It is about treating others with mercy, being open-minded and to act justly.
- Newsletter to be sent out this month.
- June is the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ month. DPCDSB is committed to sharing the message of connection, love and compassion.
- Heritages recognized in June:
 - **National Indigenous History Month** - June 1st marks the beginning of National Indigenous History Month, in which we recognize the history, contributions & diversity of Indigenous peoples.
 - **Italian Heritage Month** - June 2nd being Italian National Day in which we highlight the significant social, economic, political, and cultural contributions people of Italian origin have made in our communities.
 - **Portuguese Heritage Month** - June 10th being Portuguese Heritage Day in which we recognize the immense contributions Canadians of Portuguese origin have made to the social, economic, political, and cultural growth and development of Canada.
 - **Filipino Heritage Month** - June 12th is Filipino Heritage Day in which we highlight the valuable contributions people of Filipino origin have made to the social, economic, political, and cultural fabric of Canada.
- September school reopening will see students returning to remote learning or in-person learning. No hybrid option will be available. There will be no French immersion learning available to remote learners.
- Grant for Student Needs (GSN): The 2021-2022 total provincial GSN investment is approximately \$25.6 billion. We are pleased to see the investment in mental health to support the continued learning and well-being of students and support for technology embedded in the GSN.
- Outdoor graduation is being encourage by Premier Doug Ford during recent public announcement. Each school will review their options independently to determine if this is feasible.

6) Closing prayer:

- Closing pray by Melissa Scaffidi