



Holy Name of Mary CSS School Council Agenda/Minutes

Date: Jan 25, 2023

Attendees: Claudia Kline, Anthony Scanga, Bijikumnar Benjamin, Amitava Roy, Carmen Laudi, Lisa Orozco, Dionne Small	Regrets: Aneela Chaudray
Topic	Notes/Response
Welcome/Prayer	Opening Prayer and Liturgy – Anthony Scanga Land acknowledgement - Claudia Kline Prayer for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Do Good and Seek Justice Petitions and Prayers
Approval of Agenda/Previous Meeting Minutes	Approval of the minutes for November 23, 2022 Motion to Approve the Minutes – approved by Anthony Scanga and seconded by Carmen Laudi Motion to Approve the Agenda – approved by Biji Benjamin and seconded by Lisa Orozco
Chairs Report	- Biji discussed the possibility of organizing a Parent Engagement Night for our parent and guardian/ community. Claudia discussed that she had contacted the Elizabeth Fry society to have a speaker attend the session to discuss Human Trafficking – Date to be determined in March 2023.
Student Representative Report	- ESC: December Spirit Week activities included Polar Express Day, Santa’s workshop Day, Grinchmas Day, and a Christmas Concert on Dec 22 which was planned by VPAC. The Dance Team, choir, ESC all participated. - Grade 12 Senior Students can now pay the Graduation fee, a prom ticket and the school ring on School Cash Online. - Sports: the Volleyball Team has played some games before moratorium week.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exams: Exam week starts for Students on Weds Jan 25. Before the Winter break there was a session held in the cafeteria to help students prepare on how to study for the exams and equip them with the necessary information on exams. The Royals Radio also had an exam tip of the day. - Course Selection: Course Selection for the next school year was due by Jan 24 for Grade 9-11 students. - Volunteering: any students looking to volunteer should sign up with the City of Brampton to look for opportunities to volunteer. - Clubs and extra-curricular activities have been cancelled for the past week because of exams
<p>Parish Report</p>	<p>Parish Representative: Anthony Scanga May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with the Holy Name of Mary School Community.</p> <p>Your dedication and support of Catholic Education continue to be a source of light and hope for the communities of the Peel Region.</p> <p>Father Joseph encourages the school community to take 10 minutes daily to have a personal time of conversation with the Lord. Communication is the foundational of all relationships. As we approach the season of Lent prayer ought to be the focused in our daily life through sacrifice and almsgiving.</p> <p>The parish continues to provide a variety of spiritual outreach to the community as we come out of the pandemic restrictions in our community.</p> <p>Daily Operations:</p> <p>Monday – Friday : 8:00 – 8:45 : Rosary & Scripture Readings 9:00am Mass Followed by Eucharistic adoration Tuesday: 9:30 am to 9:00 pm 9:00 Mass Followed by Eucharistic Adoration & 7:00 pm Mass & Novena to St Anthony Except First & Last Thursday & Friday of the Month: 7:00 pm Mass Saturday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm 9:00 Mass Followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena</p> <p>The church is open for prayer and for those wishing to drop off non-perishable food items or financial donations to the office.</p> <p>The Parish website is St. Anthony of Padua website https://www.stanthonyofpadua.ca Call Office: (905) 793-8030 Office hours Monday to Friday : 9:30am to 8 pm with full service</p>

Saturday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm

You may obtain a weekly bulletin from the Parish website or it may be sent directly to your email account. Simply submit your email to: padua@on.aibn.com

Church Activities:

In December the Knights of Columbus provided a number of food hampers to Holy Name of Mary families who are in need for food resources.

Also the Knights provided five \$100 Walmart gift certificates to the school community to support families in need during the Christmas season.

Spiritual Digital Resources:

The Parish continues to encourage the teachers and students and their families to use the online resources of video and lectures that are paid by the parish to deepen and to enrich the faith development.

The parish is hosting a daily podcast offered by Father Michael Schmitz. It is called the Catechism in a Year. By listening to this podcast & you tube version you will read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church throughout the year 2023. You will get the opportunity to be given a short explanation of the essential ideas of our faith and why it is important.

This program is a resource for the curriculum in our Religion programs from grade 9-12.

For more information:

www.ascensionpress.com/ciy

For the “formed” program to receive free videos and lectures

Simply following these directions: go to

www.formed.org

and follow these steps:

1. click sign Up
2. enter Bramalea to find our parish then click St Anthony of Padua 940 North Park Drive Brampton, ON
3. enter your email
4. click sign up

Then you will receive an email with a link to access the videos and resources.

Ash Wednesday starts on February 22nd this year.

	<p>A special schedule of spiritual activities will be forwarded to the school and to the school chaplain.</p> <p>A good friend of the Dufferin-Peel Community and the Brampton Catholic Community Father Jim Tobin, retired chaplain of St Thomas Aquinas and St Marguerite D’Youville school and who served as associate pastor of St John Fisher and St Marguerite D’Youville at the wonderful age of 85 is returning to his home in Ireland. The parish of St Marguerite D’Youville will be hosting a special evening – an opportunity to express our appreciation & gratitude to Father Jim and to say our final farewell on Friday, Feb 10 from 6 pm to 9 pm in the parish hall.</p> <p>The City of Brampton honored Father Tobin’s contribution to lives of many young people in Brampton by naming a street in his name Father Tobin Road. Our school chapel was the starting point in Father Jim’s ministry in Brampton.</p> <p>May the Holy Name of Mary School Community encourage our Catholic students and their families to participate in our Sunday Masses and to pray daily one Hail Mary daily for the needs of our global communities impacted by the pandemic, by natural disasters and the conflict of war– especially for our children.</p>
<p>Teacher’s Report</p>	<p><u>General</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESC events –Spirit Week, Christmas, etc.* • Exam Cocoa/Cram sessions* • School Blessing • Christmas Show <p><u>Chaplaincy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chaplaincy organized the December 1st First Mass in our renovated Chapel with Bishop Ivan Camilleri followed by a reception. All students attended our Advent Liturgy of the Word in the Gym. • Thank you to the members of the Chaplaincy Team, Cares, Joy Club, Open Arms and Diversity Club for celebrating Advent and Christmas so meaningfully and joyfully. • Every Friday morning at 8:00 am sharp: 5-minute group prayer in the Chapel (daily scripture, minutes of silence, and shared intentions) - all are welcome! • Our Chapel is our Sacred Space with the Blessed Sacrament present in the tabernacle. All are welcome in our Chapel for quiet reflection, meditation and prayer, regardless of creed. • Muslim Prayer Room is available in the main office (in the conference room) year-round: before school, after school and during students' respective lunch periods.

- Ash Wednesday - February 22 - Liturgies of the Word and Ash distribution in the Cafeteria periods 1 and 2.
- Lent (period of fasting, prayer and almsgiving): February 22 through April 6.
- ThinkFast solidarity event: TBA hopefully Friday, March 31 pending approval, organized by Cares social justice team.
- Holy Thursday: April 6 (Stations of the Cross or Passion Play assemblies).

Religion Department

- No updates now (preparing for exams).

Guidance Department

- Guidance held their annual Course Fair in early December to prepare for course selection. It was a great success and the students appreciated being able to have the opportunity to talk to their teachers in person about the courses that are offered at our school.
- Also, Course Selection for the 2023-24 school year will run from January 13th-January 24th.

ARD/ESL

- Our students have been busy completing their CPTs and organizing for their upcoming exams in our ARD and ESL resource rooms. January 16 and 17, applicable students were withdrawn for their EQAO assessment.

English Department

- Princess Owusu Ansah's Remembrance Day Poem won first place in both Branch and Zone level for the Royal Canadian Legion. (Gr. 12)
- She has moved to the District level.

Math Department

- Grade 9 students who have math this semester, wrote their math EQAO on January 16 and 17
- University of Waterloo Math contest for grade 9, 10 and 11 students is taking place on February 22. Fee is covered by the school. Contact Ms. Tkachuk to register.
- University of Waterloo Canadian Computing Competition (CCC) is for students familiar with programming and takes place February 15. Fee is covered by the school. Contact Mrs. Kupresak to register.

Science Department

- The Gr 9's had a virtual visit from the Riverwood Conservancy to learn about "Sustainability of the Credit River" in December

- The Space Club runs every other week
- S.W.I.S club will start in February. Preparations are underway to facilitate a school-wide presentation from Doctors without Borders once again (Date TBA).

Social Science/Family Studies Department

- No updates now (preparing for exams).

BSA

- The Black Students Association is back for its second year! Students of African descent meet once a week to build community, learn about black history, and lead school wide activities (food bank volunteering, advocacy, art workshops, dance workshops, films, etc. - these are all upcoming), all while creating a welcoming space for black students in our school and wider community.

Royal Athletics (Phys. Ed Department)

ACE

- After a very successful sports week that included a teacher vs varsity girls basketball game, ACE is looking forward to planning events in second semester that will focus on healthy active living including: nutrition, wellness, exercise, etc.

Athletics

- Spring sports are getting started shortly. Stay tuned for: badminton, slow pitch, soccer and hopefully track and field.

Moderns Department (French)

- French department was working on CPTs this January. They were all action-oriented tasks which means students had to complete tasks that would be a useful skill in their lives. For example: Planning a family get together, planning a trip to a French destination and going to a restaurant.
- French club will meet again starting Second Semester. All students are welcome to participate in the French Speech Contest. This contest will take place the last week in March. Students are to create their own speech between 3-5 mins. There will be two categories: Juniors and Seniors.
- French Club will start preparing for French Week in April that will include a French café and also a French Bistro day in March.

Business Department (SHSM)

- Business teachers are currently planning for SHSM recruitment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additionally, our one remaining certification component will be occurring in the spring for their Sector-partnered experience. Our Business SHSM students will apply skills to gain insight with a community partner supporting their business plan by incorporating innovation and creativity. <p><u>Arts Department</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadcast Club “new” - live announcements! (YouTube channel) • Choir & Band (Christmas Show) • Dance (Christmas Show) • Visual Arts (Christmas Show)
<p>Non- Teaching Report</p>	<p>Welcome to Dionne Smallford – Vice Principal</p> <p><u>Library: Wellness Wednesday</u> supports student well being Activities. **painting pinecones making bracelets, necklace making art using pebbles (stones)</p> <p><u>Accelerated Reader Program</u> Supports literacy students take out a book/ read Grade 9: need 40 points Grade 10: 30 points takes quiz which is multiply choice need 70% to pass Students receive 5% at the end of the term</p> <p><u>Book Club</u> Every other Thursday 3:30 -4:30 Google Meets</p> <p><u>Community Table: We are not complete without you</u> HNM library staff are also looking for ways to create meaningful community connections. It engages the students to work collaborative and gets students unplugged from their devices</p>

	<p><u>Other: Office</u></p> <p>Carol is updating the School Student Contact List and contacting parents to pay the School Activity fee for 2022-2023.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians are also paying the Student Activity fee for 2023-2024 when their child submits their courses.</p> <p>Daily announcements are on TVs in office, school foyer, cafeteria and by guidance dept</p> <p>We have 2 vending machines – 1 in cafeteria for Healthy Snacks and 1 from Pepsi for drinks by Guidance office</p> <p>Cafeteria will be opening tentatively by Feb 13, 2023 by Aramark.</p>
<p>Treasurers' Report</p>	<p>School Council funds in Bank Account \$352.01</p> <p>Claudia discussed the Dec 2022 Year to date School Generated Funds Account issued by Financial Services Dept for Holy Name of Mary.</p>
<p>OAPCE Report</p>	<p>Amitava discussed the Minutes of the last OAPCE Meeting in November 2022</p>
<p>Principals' Report</p>	<p>Claudia discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapel, altar Blessing and Advent Liturgy on Dec 1, 2022 - Christmas Events - CSILC update - EQAO: Gr 9ath - OSSLT: Fall results - Exams in Person - Semester 2

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduation Ceremony Jun 29, 2022 – The Garden Banquet and Convention Centre, Brampton - Projector in Cafeteria TBD
Other Business	<p>Claudia Welcomed Dionne Small as our New Vice Principal to Holy name of Mary CSS effective Dec 5, 2022.</p> <p>The School Council received a grant of \$500.00 from the DPCDSB and it was suggested that the funds be used for the Parent Engagement Night to be held in March 2023.</p> <p>Claudia thanked Lisa Orozco for representing the Teaching Staff of HNM as Ginette Valente was on a leave. Ginette will be returning as a teacher rep from the next meeting.</p> <p>Anthony Scanga is in talks with Brampton Transit for Student Bus transportation to our school from various Areas Anthony Scanga also mentioned that there is an app called Chat GPT that students might be using and it is a case for plagiarism.</p>
Closing Prayer	Closing prayer by Ms. Kline/ Anthony Scanga
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8.30pm
Next Meeting Date	March 1, 2023 in the School Library.