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**Minutes of Iona Catholic Secondary School Council Meeting  
Monday May 27, 2019, at 7:00 pm  
Library**

In Attendance: Julie Kowalski, V. Giannakopoulos, Suzanne Pinto, Siena Perrotta, Carl Cini, Joan Lanza-Santos

1. Opening Prayer
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda

- All in favour

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED

CARRIED

4. Review and Approval of Minutes from April, 2019 Meeting

- All in favour
  - Minutes approved by Julie Kowalski and seconded by Siena Perrotta
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**Discussion:**

Discussion was held regarding course selections and elimination of some courses. The incoming grade 9's were okay and there were only a few of 10, 11 and 12s that didn't get electives they chose. There was an elimination of some courses such as Economics, History, Grade 11 Earth and Space, Kinesiology. Initially we lost 10 teachers but as of now 4 were recalled.

At our last meeting it was discussed that there were be changes to Prom as far as the date goes. In the past it has been on a long weekend and students plan a Wasaga Beach excursion, which we do not want associated with the school as being part of Prom. We would like to move it the last Monday of June. Exams start Tuesday and end on Friday. Exam review day and Prom would be in June. This will be beneficial because there will be less exam stress and less drama amongst the students.

Graduation this year is Wednesday June 26 at 4:00 at the Lakeshore Convention Center.

\$400 worth of awards was donated by School Council

Graduation mass will be in the morning at 10 am and grad tickets can be picked up there.

Next year's graduation will have a different venue. We are looking 16 Mile Creek Sport Complex and it will take place at 1:00 in the afternoon. Graduation mass will be the last Friday of Classes.

Parking Issues – There has been a parking issue on Fridays with the Mosque. There was a paid security guard every Friday to direct the traffic flow. Sharon Hobin has spoken to City Councillor but they seem to be avoiding the issue. The Iman said to go ahead and ticket those who are not lawfully parked.

Portables will be sold and/or demolished and taken off school property.

### **Treasurer's Report**

School Council account will be housed under SGF under a separate category. This will eliminate the accumulating service fees.

Our Opening balance was \$3,024.81. \$565 was the cost of buses for the Science Center Trip. \$99 was for the OAPCE rep to attend a conference. We received \$1000 from our Pro Grant. \$400 was allocated for 2 difference Graduation awards.

### **Principal's Report.**

Mr. Cini was attending the St. Luke's School Council meeting to see why we are losing students from this feeder school. Our enrolment from St. Luke comprised of only 3 or 4 students. When asked why there were various reasons given some of which were: location of Iona, did not feel that we were an academic school. Also, previously guidance was not very engaging to them, many students wanted Lorne Park because they had friends there. Parents also said they have lost confidence in our school.

Our enrolment for next year is at about 685.

### **OAPCE Report**

Last meeting was held and not much discussion as it was a celebration for volunteers.

### **Teacher's Report**

Prom went well. Student elections took place. Elections for Grade 12 Valedictorian are taking place. We also have a charity basketball game taking place. There is peer tutoring in the library after school. The Grade 12's are involved in an Art Show. The School Play, Adams Family,

will take place April 30, May 1, 2. Other sports going on now are Softball, Soccer, Track and Field and Ultimate frisbee.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting of the Iona Catholic Secondary Council was adjourned.