

St. Jean Brebeuf School Council
Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2020

MINUTES

In Attendance:

S. Magoolagan, M. Jedrzejczak, B. Davies, N. Cormier, N. Carrejola, R. Nadal, K. Ciavioliello, L. Choporis, T. Burns, P. Kaminsky, J. Daly

Absent:

N/A

Land Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge that we are on sacred Indigenous territory and thank the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for being stewards of this land.

Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was recited.

Parent Council:

Chair	Mirela Jedrzejczak
Co-Chair	Brian Davies
Treasurer	Susan Magoolagan
Secretary	Natalie Carrejola
OAPCE Rep.	Preston Kaminsky
Non-Teaching Reps	Kristina Ciavioliello, Nathalie Cormier
Parish Rep.	Rowena Nadal
Teacher Rep.	Tina Burns

Future Parent Council Meeting Dates

January 13 th , 2021	6:30 PM	Zoom Chat
February 24 th , 2021	6:30 PM	Location TBA
April 14 th , 2021	6:30 PM	Location TBA
June 2 nd , 2021	6:30 PM	Location TBA

Council Meeting October 7, 2020

Important Dates:

There are no pending dates currently.

Approval of Minutes

Brian Davies and Mirela Jedrzejczak

Chair Report – M. Jedrzejczak

Fundraiser to kick off for Spring (Easter)

- We can fundraise however it should be fully online. For example, it should be a link with merchandise that gets sent to students, without anything coming home, and without goods coming into the school.
- This gives us a few months to research and review in January to come to a decision.
- There will be no obligation to the community to raise funds.

Community Support in December for Christmas

- As there are families who may struggle how can we support within the school given the current restrictions?
- Mrs. Choporis will clarify current guidelines (for example if we can engage in a food drive or toy drive).
- There is a social worker at the school who connects with families in need in the community and the parent council could support by purchasing items like gift cards, especially for teens or directly for families in need in the community. We can earmark funds for this.
- We can contact the parish to see if they need any financial support

Picture Day

- The most recent update is that direction may come in the New Year.

Treasurer Report - S. Magoolagan

October 2020 Month End Balance:

\$10,359.02

There were no deposits or withdrawals for October.

Allocation of Funds – based on Wish List from School and depending how the year goes with the pandemic.

- All Classes - \$100 will be allocated for classroom materials/outdoor learning for the 3 online and 17 in-school classes for a total of \$2000

Breakdown

- Library/School – Tumblebooks Subscription -an electronic library with over 1100 all books for all grades and French selection as well - \$799.00 (if we subscribe for 2 year \$639.20 per year (\$1278.40).

- Technology – Chromebook Tub (we will revisit in spring depending on pandemic). Cost would be \$2500.00.
- Grade 8 Graduation (If needed) \$1000.
- Grade 2 & 7 sacramental gifts with a max of 30 students (\$300.00)
- There is always room for movement of budget depending on how things change during the year as many of the items will not be available until later in the year once/should things reopen more.
- Community Funds- We will offer support for families in need at Christmas through St Anthony's Parish with a donation of \$500.00 (we could revisit at Easter and depending on funds offer community support at that time as well.)

Parish Report – R. Nadal

- The bulletins continue to be added to newsletter.
- Sacrament of Confirmation – dates are currently pending.
- Communion – A note was sent out to families in the school this week.

OAPCE Report – P. Kaminsky

- November 14th – There was a webinar held but notice was sent on the 12th.
- No other news to report.

Teacher's Report -- T. Burns

- There is nothing new to report at this time.

Principal's Report – L. Choporis

Faith

- Virtue recognition continues monthly
- Remembrance Day Liturgy and presentation November 11th at 10:40am. We thank Mr. Faelis, Mme Grima and Mrs. Franco and their students for putting the presentation together.
- Thanksgiving food drive was very successful. Approximately 10 large boxes of food to the Knights Table.
- Advent Mass will be streamed from Lester B Pearson School on December 10th at 10am
- Pastoral Plan for the school will be shared on School website in December
- Information letter regarding the Sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation was sent out to the community on behalf of St. Anthony of Padua Parish

Curriculum Items

- Well-Being and the New math Curriculum are the main focus for this year
- Progress Reports went home on November 10th

- Hybrid/Remote Only switch occurred this week. Hybrid students are able to move fluidly between the in-person and remote modes of learning. We had approximately 70 students switch from Remote Only to the Hybrid Model. Approximately 15-20 additional students attending in-person. We have also gained 3 primary Remote Only classes.

School Generated Funds

- Each year we make a plan of spending funds. This year however, the school is generating very little funds due to the restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic
- There was approximately \$15K at the beginning of the year as spending had ceased during the lockdown.
- This year we have funds allocated to the following: Technology, charitable donations, Nutrition program, resources for online learning in math and language, presentations, student agendas and graduation

Extra-Curricular

- Halloween: We were able to have a little fun here on October 30th. We had music playing outside and all classes had an opportunity to dance and have some fun in a safe manner. We are thankful to Mr. Foley and a few of our Intermediate students who assisted with this.
- Eco Initiatives- Pursuing Platinum Certification.
- Treaties Week- celebrated November 2-6th.
- Spirit week set for December. Still finalizing the details for the specific days.

Health & Safety/ Plant

- Regular health and safety routine checks take place monthly and our school is extremely compliant
- Completed all our fall fire drills in October

Adjournment and Closing Prayer

Prayers was presented as prepared by Rowena Nadal.

Pending for January

Easter Fundraiser.