



ST. JOSEPH SECONDARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Approved Minutes

Monday March 27, 2023

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Item	Highlights
1.	Opening Prayer (Simona), Welcome, Approval of Agenda and Minutes
	Approval of Agenda; approved by Katharine Wieczorek; Antonio D’Souza; seconded by Donna Bozzo
	Approval of February 6 th , 2023 Minutes- approved by Antonio DSouza; seconded by Katharine Wieczorek
2.	Report from Student Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Catholic Education Week – 1st week of May; proposal is forthcoming2. Student Trustee Elections – great experience3. May 3rd – Feast Day celebrations
3.	Report from Trustee Luz del Rosario: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Skills Competition held at Father Michael Goetz S. S. – It was a great success.2. Students starting grade 9 in September in 2024 will have to take 1 technology course as a graduation requirement.3. TikTok is now blocked by the Board.4. Student Trustees have been elected for the 2023-2024 school year are Nathan Nguyen from Notre Dame C.S.S. and Kristen Balisi from St. Joan of Arc C.S.S.5. Indigenous Student Trustee position has been proposed by the current Board level Student Trustees; more information will be forthcoming.
3.	Report from the Co-Chairs: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. St. Joseph’s Parish Family Day: A Family Fun Day event was held at St. Joseph’s Parish on Monday, Feb 20, 2023. Thank you to the School Council for approving use of \$ 500.00 Parent Engagement funding towards this event. Thank you, Mrs. del Rosario for supporting and volunteering at this event. This was a great way to celebrate Home-Parish-School relationship. We had 28 volunteers from St. Joseph’s Secondary. This day had a great turnout and was well enjoyed by one and all.2. CCCSC Parent Engagement evening on Healthy Hallways and Creative Classrooms: Reconciling schools was conducted on Wednesday, March 22nd, 2023 @ 06:30 p.m. This was a discussion on where Canadian education has been and where it needs to go. The facilitator was Niigaan Sinclair.
4.	Reports from Council Members:
	Treasurer: There is a balance of \$772.04.

Parent Engagement fund in the amount of \$500.00 – This money was used to pay for St. Joseph families who attended the Family Day event at St. Joseph Parish on February 20th, 2023.

Parish Rep:

1. LENTEN CONFESSIONS:

- Merciful Redeemer March 29th, 2023: 10 am – 12 pm & 7 pm – 9 pm;
- St Ignatius of Loyola March 29th, 2023: 9.30 – 11.30 am, 4 - 6 pm & 7 – 8.30 pm;
- St Francis Xavier April 3rd, 2023: 7- 8.30 pm.

2. Fish Fry Friday – March 31st from 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm:

An Evening with the Right To Life Association of Mississauga, hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 8661 to promote and support the dignity of all human life (suggested donation is \$10 per person).

Keynote Speaker Dr Lucas Vivas (VP Canadian Federation Catholic Physicians & Societies & President of the Toronto Catholic Doctors Guild) will speak on ‘**The Real Impact of MAiD (Medical Assisted Suicide)**’.

3. Holy Week schedule:

- Palm Sunday April 2 – Masses 8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:00 am | 12:30 pm | 6:00 pm
- Holy Thursday April 6 – No morning Mass, only 7:00 pm
- Good Friday April 7 – 12 noon & 3:00 pm; Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
- Holy Saturday April 8 – Blessing of the Food 2:00 pm and Easter Vigil at 7:00pm
- Easter Sunday April 9 - 8:00 am |9:30 am|11:00 am |12:30 pm ***NO 6:00 pm

OAPCE Rep:

1. Next meeting is March 29th, 2023.

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Report from the Principal:

- 1. Report cards:** distributed on February 13th, 2023.
- 2. Guest Speaker Matthew Jones:** February 17th – Whole School assembly for Black History month; also worked with our Black Student Alliance club Periods 2-4.
- 3. Course Verification forms:** distributed Tuesday March 21st and due Friday March 24th, 2023.
- 4. Guest Speaker Sam Demma:** March 23rd – Mental Health and Well-Being; Empty your Backpack.
- 5. Academic Awards Night:** Wednesday March 29th at 6:00 p.m. Award recipients received invitations via homeroom. We have installed a new display case in the Atrium that will be used for the Honour Roll.
- 6. Prom Assembly:** Thursday March 30th, 2023 – Tickets are \$90 each. PROM will be on Monday June 26th 2023, at the Mississauga Convention Centre from 5-11:30 p.m.
- 7. St. Joseph Parish Guest Speakers, Megan and Deacon George:** Megan is presenting to Grade 9 & 10 students on April 27th and Deacon George is presenting to Grade 11 & 12 students on May 4th. Both will talk about their roles at the church and make connections

to the community. This is so that students can see the impact the church has on the broader community, and they will learn how they can get involved.

8. Upcoming Events

- April 3rd – 10th – Holy Week
- May 1st – 5th – Catholic Education Week
- May 3rd – St. Joseph Feast day
- May 5th – Year End Liturgy
- May 17th – MADD Presentation
- May 24th – Coffee House
- May 25th – Guest Speaker Paul Davis
- June 7th – Athletic Banquet
- June 20th – 26th – Final Exams
- June 26th – PROM
- June 28th – Graduation Mass and Graduation Ceremony
- June 30th – Report card distribution

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Chaplaincy Update:

1. Retreats are going well in Semester 2. Grade 9 – Riverwood Conservancy; Grade 10 – Canadian Food for Children – Dr. Simone; Grade 11 – Hopestone; Grade 12 – Regeneration Outreach Community in Brampton; Students in Planning for Independence will attend a retreat in June at Riverwood Conservancy.

Staff Update:

1. Mr. Palmieri's student Neveah March won Gold at the Skills Canada Culinary Arts competition for Dufferin Peel. She will be competing at the regional level at Niagara College against students from other school boards in hopes of qualifying for the provincial competition May.
2. Sadiq Shahid won Gold in Computer Programming at the Skills Competition. A huge thank you to Andy Carreiro for preparing and supporting the student.
3. On March 2nd we had a Civvies day to raise funds for the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. We raised \$1564.00 and the funds will be sent to the Archdiocese and distributed to local charities working in the areas affected.
4. St. Joseph ran a toiletry and food drive for The Youth Empowerment Support Group and Native Child and Family Services of Toronto. These items were collected through the homeroom classes and it was very successful.
5. We have a lot of good news items from the Athletic Department:

SWIMMING:

- Junior Girls Swim Team - ROPSSAA Champions (Olivia Nguyen, Olivia Andrea, Lauren & Kara Chow, Alexandra Nguyen, and Abigail D'Souza)
- 16 swimmers qualified for OFSAA in Windsor.
- Jamie Chan - senior girls swimmer - she won 2 bronze medals at OFSAA!!! (big deal because going to OFSAA means you're competing with the best in the province.)
- Coaches: Lidia Vrhovsek, Kelly Gilmore, Maurizio Falzata & Sonia Dos Santos

WRESTLING:

- Wrestling - Hamzah Al-Qayse - ROPSSAA Champion for wrestling.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrestling - Aidas Smith - ROPSSAA Silver medalist • Both Hamzah & Aidas represented Peel (and St. Joe's) at OFSAA in Ottawa. Hamzah finished 6th in the province!!! Amazing finish. This was the first year both boys have ever wrestled and were very successful. • Coaches: Marco Mesquita & Stephanie Tulipano <p>ADDITIONAL ITEMS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April - we could be possibly hosting a ROPSSAA Badminton Divisional Tournament. (still TO BE DETERMINED) • April - we are hosting one of our feeder schools (St. Raymond) for their Track & Field Day. • All spring sports have officially started. Some are currently in tryouts, and practicing. Our junior boys' soccer team has already had their first tournament (March 22nd).
7.	Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Meetings Dates:
Monday November 7 th , 2022 – changed to virtual
Monday December 5 th , 2022 – changed to 6:00 p.m. in-person
Monday February 6 th , 2023
Monday March 27 th , 2023
Monday May 1 st , 2023
Monday June 5 th , 2023

Attendance:

Position	Name	February 6, 2023
Principal	Rosina Ariganello	Present
Vice Principal	David Parisotto	Absent
Vice Principal	Antony Pallotta	Absent
Co-Chair	Antonio DSouza	Present
Co-Chair	Michael Smolders	Present
Treasurer	Katharine Wieczorek	Present
Secretary	N/A	N/A
Parish Rep	Shamin DSouza	Absent
OAPCE Rep	Rashmy Lobo	Absent
Teacher Rep	Simona Dei-Rocini	Present
Member	Donna Bozzo	Present
Member	Sandy Felizardo	Absent
Member	Nicole Mills	Present
Member	Alice Thalachira	Present
Sara Khan	Student Council Prime Minister	Present
Maria DSouza	Student Council Deputy Prime Minister	Present
Luz del Rosario	Trustee	Present