

St. Julia School Council Meeting

November 21, 2018 7:00pm

St. Julia Catholic School, 6770 Historic Trail, Mississauga, ON

Present: Mr. Brian Diogo (Principal), Ms. Rita Davenport (Vice-Principal), Lina D'Iorio (Teacher Representative), Karina Gigante (Co-Chair), Tania Vilarinho (Co-Chair), Christi Chiera (Secretary), Danielle Pereira (OAPCE), Diane Akam (Parent at Large), Ashley Medeiros (Parent at Large), Shirley Barrington (Parent at Large)

Regrets: Nikki Carvalho (Parent at Large)

1. Call to Order - The regular meeting was called to order by Mr. Diogo. and a quorum was present.
2. Territorial Acknowledgement
3. Opening Prayer
4. Welcome and Introductions – Karina Gigante and Tania Vilarinho Co-Chairs, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Diogo welcomed all persons in attendance
5. Approval of the Agenda – Agenda was approved as presented
6. Approval of the Minutes – Approval of minutes by Diane Akam and Ashley Medeiros
7. New Business

ITEM	NOTES	DECISION	NEXT STEPS & PERSON RESPONSIBLE
New Business: Budget	<p>- typically, school council raises \$20,000-\$24,000 per annum, the main source of income is pizza and Boogie-a-Thon</p> <p>-all earnings are reported</p> <p>-the pro-grant provided by the Ministry of Education is on pause, this money typically covers the family skate which costs approximately \$250 to run</p> <p>-this year we anticipate \$24,000 to be raised and at present there is \$22,000 anticipated to be spent</p> <p>-\$1,500 is left for the following year goes towards early deposits to secure activities</p> <p>-it was noted that the DPCDSB can take away any remaining funds at the end of the school year</p> <p>-the school will be having a movie afternoon on the last day of school for Christmas and Summer break it costs \$464 for licensing</p> <p>-a hot dog day was suggested for sometime in June</p>	<p>Ashley Medeiros put forth a motion to have \$250 funding allocated to the family skate- this motion was passed</p> <p>Ashley Medeiros put forth a motion to have \$464 funding allocated to pay for the movie licensing- this motion was passed</p> <p>Karina Gigante suggested there be a movie night geared towards older students in January</p> <p>Funding was approved for the Breakfast with Santa- \$800</p> <p>A motion to have \$400 in funding allocated to the purchase of a BBQ was put forth- this motion was approved</p>	<p>-Jennifer Fabrizi will work to organize the family skate</p> <p>-Karina Gigante will call ACF for licensing form</p>
New Business: OAPCE	Danielle Pereira will be attending the 79th summit entitled "Renewing the Promise of Catholic Education" at St. Francis Xavier		
OLD BUSINESS: Uniform Survey	School Council is preparing a survey to send out to parents pertaining to the possible interest and implementation of a uniform. A draft was created for review at meeting. There is a 75% yes vote required in order for this to be implemented any non-votes are considered no. St. Julia was last surveyed 8 years ago. Grade 8 parents will not be voting as the potential change would only take effect next year. There will be no gym uniform requirement. The dress code will strictly be colour based no cresting. It was noted that school councils have provided support to	Amendments to be made to survey prior to distribution.	Karina Gigante make changes to survey. Amended survey to be reviewed at next council meeting.

	people with no means in financing the uniform if necessary. The survey was reviewed and it was suggested that a preamble be added, as well as a question pertaining to crested vs. non-crested uniforms and it be clarified that it is a colour code instead of uniform. These ideas were welcomed		
NEW BUSINESS: Breakfast with Santa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -there is much enthusiasm surrounding this inaugural event -it will occur December 8, 2018 from 0930am-1200pm - tickets must be pre-purchased, there is an optional \$5 picture with Santa - each family will be provided a ticket/passbook for food station, game stations, crafts - budgeting pays for food, supplies and decor - this event is not about raising funds, rather the community experience - a silent auction will occur, it is being considered that we donate the proceeds to charity -volunteers from St. Marcellinus are being recruited- this has not been fruitful in the past so parents are being sought as well as older students -food will be handled in the gym - games and crafts will be in the Kindergarten rooms - silent auction will be in the atrium 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Karina will talk to the photographer regarding set up for pictures with Santa Karina Gigante will send an email blast asking for donations for the silent auction -Christi Chiera will coordinate the decoration on December 7, 2018 after school and reach out to teachers for contributions from the classes towards the decor -a save the date email will be sent tomorrow and Monday school cash online will commence
OLD BUSINESS: Boogie-a-thon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -it was noted that due to school cash online teachers were out of the loop in regards to the funds their classes had been raising as they did not see they daily progress and this perhaps hindered more kids from partaking -this was the first year that a Junior class won over a Primary class, there needs to be more hype from the beginning of the school year -it was noted that perhaps there is a lack on incentive for parents to donate as every child gets to dance regardless- people need to see how funds get used -it was suggested the grade 8 teach students a dance a few weeks prior to the boogie-a-thon to keep kids engaged on the actual date -it was suggested that there be no props that children can reach as they get misused 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -it was suggested there be something tangible created to show funding i.e. a thermometer per class or per division, mailbox announcements -more recognition needs to be shown for how the funds raised are used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -these suggestions will be considered at the year-end meeting

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

- December 18, 2018 will be the School Mass to be facilitated by Father Neiman, Father Neiman visited the school on Friday and brought Kevin, the seminarian in training
- the Police Education Officer will be attending next week on Wednesday through Friday- he will be meeting with all students and will be having discussions around bullying and cyber-bullying
- December 8, 2018 will be the inaugural Breakfast with Santa from 930am-12pm
- The Christmas concert will include students from JK-Grade 4 this year, there are tentative dates being considered. The first performance will take place just for students, there will be a matinee that is open to all family members, the evening performance will be strictly immediate family
- Lunch Programs- the new vendors have integrated well in the school, it appears that it is welcome by parents as well.
- Intermediate Volleyball has their second tournament next week
- the new club being created are a result of administration recognizing that kids need to be occupied and involved in activities and it will help reduce some problems that occur when students have idol time; these programs are here to help students keep busy, feel engaged, learn how to win and lose as well as other life skills
- based on the Camp Muskoka Model a new program called Recess Guardians has been introduced. Some students in grade 6-8 have been trained to facilitate activities that can include everyone in the schoolyard. Student council is working to create games to be used for this program. This also allows the older kids to model good behaviour for the younger students.
- Crochet Club will run on Tuesdays- children require a crochet needle

- Lego Stem club will run on Thursdays, the children will be provided a platform to show the progress they make every week
- Beyblades Club commences next week
- Youth Faith Ambassadors are now in place they will assist with the Dr. Simone Soap Drive and Christmas Baskets
- Student Council is going strong, they are facilitating open communication
- intramural basketball and soccer are being considered, it would be led by intermediate students and supervised by teachers
- Chess Club- primary is invited this year, it is proposed to start in early January, 5 kids can go to the family tournament
- Intermediate trips- they are breaking the grade 7/8 trips apart- Grade 8 will go to Quebec City for 4 nights, Grade 7 will attend a confirmation retreat at Camp Muskoka or Muskoka Woods for 2 nights- this will be a winter trip where students stay in cabins and partake in outdoor activities- it teaches them the responsibility of taking care of their clothes and other self care; they are inviting Father Neiman on the trip; there will be a parents presentation next week
- grade 5 students are participating in a meal model- it stresses the importance of experiential learning- St. Marcellinus students in the hospitality class attended today and made dough and cookies; students here will work to create a menu, collect recipes, attend a field trip for groceries and complete the food prep, parents will attend once the meal is prepared; the cost is \$30 pers student
- the remainder of teachers are undecided as to where to allocate their funds at this time, there is a deadline for the proposals
- there is a French Immersion program available to students as young as SK- transportation is not provided and schools may not be local
- there is an extended French Program available for grade 5 and up offered at St. Teresa- bussing is provided
- the Conscience Virtue assembly was well attended and the virtue vine is growing; December's virtue is hope
- all students are welcome to attend the confirmation trip even if they are not doing the confirmation and students not going on the trip can still be confirmed

PARISH UPDATE

Already noted in Principal's Message

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

Meeting Minutes prepared by:

C. Chiera. _____ (Signature)

Approved by:

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