

**Mary Fix Catholic School**

**Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

**Catholic School Council Meeting**

**In Attendance:**

Stacey Aguiar  
Jaime MacNeil  
Barbara Szeliga  
Sonja Harasimowicz  
Joe Emanuele  
Filomena Figueiredo  
Melissa Porto  
Daniella Raposo  
Amanda De Sousa  
Cathy Sforza - Principal  
Rebecca Valentine - Teacher member  
Bruno Iannicca – Ward 7 Trustee

**Meeting start** – 6:30pm

**Opening Prayer**

Read by Filomena

**Land Acknowledgement**

Read by Melissa

**Review and Approval of Agenda**

Agenda approved by Jaime and Filomena.

**Review and Approval of Previous Minutes**

Previous minutes approved by Stacey and Filomena.

**Bruno Iannicca - Trustee**

Bruno discussed the following topics:

- \$94M shortfall in school board budget and some of accommodations already made to help with the shortfall.
- Installation of boulevard, electronic signs (total of 156) is in effect. Mary Fix sign is coming soon.

- Uniforms – board policy in elementary schools which technically can't be enforced. 60% of population needs to agree.
- One of schoolbook vendors has been flagged as “inappropriate” for Catholic Schools. Books have been reviewed and removed from school libraries where needed.
- Portapack – still waiting on permits. Portapack should be ready to come down in July. Fence to be installed dividing city property and school property. Council to select few fence options and email them to Bruno.
- School board is in talks to have chrome books funded in the future, based on enrollment at each school. Any chrome books purchased by school council would not be re-distributed and would remain the property of that school.

## **Financial Review**

Addressed by Joe. Closing council balance is \$8,073.86 after 2 smartboards were purchased.

## **Parish Report**

## **Teacher Report**

## **Principal Report**

School currently has 70 total chrome books, out of which around 42 are working properly. School is looking to buy 60 new chrome books with 2 charging carts (each cart holds 30 chrome books). Cathy to get a quote for 18 chrome books and 1 cart for council to purchase (est cost \$8,286).

Virtue of Acceptance Liturgy Friday May 31, 2024 @ 9:30

Catholic Education Week is May 5-10, 2024.

First Communion is Saturday, May 11, 2023 @ 2:00

Confirmation: Wednesday, May 29, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

P.A. Day on Monday, June 10, 2024 for Term 2 Report Card writing

Graduation/End of the Year mass at St. Catherine of Siena church is Thurs. June 20, 2024, at 10am.

EQAQO dates: Grade 3 – May 27, 28 & 29. Grade 6 – May 21, 22 & 23

A Coyote Safety visit is booked and presentation will take place in May.

Junior Co-Ed Soccer Tryouts will be the week of May 13, 2024. Thanks to Mr. Ferreira and Mrs. Chaves for volunteering to coach.

Mrs. Giovannini's grade 5 class will be hosting their CEW Shark tank on Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:45 to 12:00 due to Mrs. Giovannini's absence.

Grade 8 students will be going to St. Martin C.S.S. on Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> for a visit and BBQ from 9:30-11:30.

We have booked X Movement for Tuesday to Thursday May 9, 2024. On Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup> X Movement will be doing a parent engagement event in the evening from 6:30-8:00 p.m. All families are invited to join us.

Mrs. Telfeyan's grade 3 class will be going to Peel Safety Village on May 15, 2024

Journey Into Learning Wednesday May 22, 2024, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Grades 3, 4, and 5 will be going to Peel Water Festival on Thursday May 23, 2024

Grade 5 will be going to Crawford Lake on Friday May 24, 2024.

The Grade 4 class will be going to Silver Creek on Monday June 3, 2024

We welcome Mrs. Chaves as our new grade 6 teacher. She will be here until the end of the school year.  
Mrs. Ambrozi is coming back from mat leave.  
Life Touch replaced Edge Imaging for school photos.  
School gate closed during day due to safety concerns.  
Religion and Family Life presentation will be emailed by Cathy.

## **Chair Report**

School is to fund the grad. Filomena to order cake. We need 6-7 volunteers for evening of grad on Thurs. June 20.

Ice cream liturgy Wed., June 5 – ice cream for First Communion and Confirmation students (around 50 students).

Next Council meeting – **June 5 @ 6pm.**

Possible food truck/BBQ for end of the school year event planned for June 25 or 27 @ 5pm.

Survey: filled out by all members and submitted by Filomena.

## **Closing Prayer**

Read by Filomena

## **Meeting Adjourned**

8:30pm

## **Dates for Upcoming Meetings:**

-June 5, 2024 @ 6pm

## **Mary Fix Catholic School Parent Council 2023/2024**

**Chair**-Melissa Porto

**Co- Chair**-Filomena Figueiredo

**Treasurer**-Joseph Emanuele

**Secretary**- Barbara Szeliga

**Parish rep** -

**OAPCE representative** -Sonja Harasimowicz

**Additional Voting members:**

Amanda De Sousa

Jaime MacNeil

Stacey Aguiar

Sofiya Goncalves