



**ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2022**

Full Name	Email Address	Sept 28	OCT 19	NOV 16	DEC 7	JAN 25	MAR 1	APR 19	JUN 7
Caroline Athaide (Principal)		X							
Stephanie lassogna (Teacher Representative)		X							
Luisa Medeiros (Teacher Representative)		X							
Claudia Filipe (Co-Chair)		X							
Julia Van de Kraats (Co-Chair)		X							
Andrea Gavrilovic (Treasurer)		X							
Nelly Xavier (Co-Secretary)		X							
Monika Serpa (Co-Secretary)		X							
Steve Starcevic (Parish Representative)		X							
Melissa Agius (OAPCE Representative)									
Mario Pascucci		X							
Caleigh Dale	n/a	X							
Jonathan Dale	n/a	X							
So Jin Jung	n/a	X							
Lubna Nemeh	n/a	X							



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1st order of business	<p>Opening Prayer/Land Acknowledgement</p> <p>Agenda Approval: 1st: Nelly; 2nd: Julia Meeting Minutes Approval for May 2022: 1st: Julia; 2nd: Claudia</p> <p>Election of 2022/2023 Parent Council as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Claudia Filipe – Co-Chair - Julia VDK – Co-Chair - Andrea Gavrilovic – Treasurer - Nelly Xavier – Co-Secretary - Monika Serpa – Co-Secretary - Steve Starcevic - Parish Rep - Melissa Agius – OAPCE Rep 	Mrs. Athaide
Fundraiser	<p>Survey conducted by Parent Council at Open House BBQ identified that parents would most appreciate a fundraiser providing cookies and/or greeting card packages.</p> <p>Other fundraising ideas discussed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School T-Shirts (<i>Important to note that we learned all shirts and printing must be purchased through tendered agents</i>) • Krispy Kreme donuts • Recipesinapot.com • Dfscanada.com • Paperwork to board identifying intention for spending of funds and fundraising details is due in upcoming week. 	<p>Claudia contacting Terra Cotta to determine timing should we choose to proceed with a Cookie Christmas Fundraiser.</p> <p><i>TBD: We are looking for parents to pick-up cookies the first week of December. Exact dates to follow.</i></p> <p>Sub-Committee to be consulted as identified by Mrs. Athaide as/when required in order to ensure documentation is approved & submitted to board by required date.</p>



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<p>Principal's report Teacher Report</p>	<p>The beginning of the school year was marked with celebrations honoring St. Teresa including the making of a quilt by students which is on display in the hall for all to see. Thank you to all the Faith Ambassadors for their help with this.</p> <p>Thanks to staff and council for this year's Open House BBQ success!</p> <p>The virtue for the month of October: <u>Empathy</u></p> <p>St. Patrick Food Drive: open until Monday, October 3 – all items accepted</p> <p>Terry Fox donations being accepted for another week.</p> <p>2 New Members of faculty at STOC: Ms. Rukavina & Ms. Miolla. There are 225 students currently attending STOC.</p> <p>Generated Funds Account current approximate balance: \$32,000</p> <p>Plans for this year include: Scientists in the School, new and updating technology needs, outside school equipment</p> <p>A new tractor was required (snow removal) – cost was split between board and school at \$6,000 each.</p> <p>There are some needs for new laptops – to be discussed further at future meeting.</p> <p>There will be a request for funds for artwork in the school, this was first raised last spring – to be discussed further at future meeting.</p> <p>Some initiatives which have already begun at school include:</p>	<p>Ms. Athaide</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 3 Craft Club permission forms sent home; - Tutoring for Grades K-2 being offered twice/week during school hours: classroom teacher identified approx. 5 students and delivers a specific curriculum; <p>Tutoring for Grades 2-8 being offered for students identified by classroom teacher after school October-December. Delivered by Mr. Salinas/Ms. Miolla.</p> <p>Proposal was suggested last year to change Parent Council meetings to a different day. Parents voted to keep the date on Wednesday.</p>	
<p>Teacher's report: Mrs. lassogna</p> <p>Ms. Medeiros</p>	<p>In keeping with STOC tradition, staff would like to have a Halloween Dance in the gym on Halloween Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council being asked for \$300 to purchase decorations for gym and \$100 for gift cards for student prizes (costume contests) and approx. 10 pumpkins for classroom carving • There will also be a need for help setting up the gym on the evening of Friday, October 28th <p>Cross-Country activities have begun for Grades 4-8 and there have been 2 practices so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council being asked for \$295 for an outdoor pop-up tent for team to use for <p>In keeping with STOC Christmas tradition, staff would like to organize the HOLIDAY MOVIE FIELD TRIP for all students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council being asked for \$5/student (total of \$1125) to be out towards cost of movie/popcorn/drink and bus ride. <p><i>Important to note: historically, council provides \$15 per student for the year to help lessen the burden of cost for the field trips.</i></p>	<p>Council to coordinate offline for decorations planning/purchasing as well as ensuring adequate assistance in decorating the gym on October 28th – Claudia/Julia to co-ordinate</p> <p>Council approves a total of up to \$1820.00 as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Up to \$300 for Halloween Decorations to be purchased by council members - Up to \$100 for gift cards & pumpkins to be purchased by S. lassogna - Up to \$295 for a pop-up tent <p>Up to \$1125 for Christmas Movie Field Trip ticket relief</p>
<p>Treasurer's report</p>	<p>Council Funds balance as at August 2022: \$11, 830</p>	



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ROUND TABLE	<p><u>Parent Council Email:</u> As per Board/School policy, Parent Council is not permitted to maintain a STOC Parent Council email provided to STOC school parents administered by council members. All emails should to be via Mrs. Gordon.</p> <p>It is possible to have a Council Members Mailbox so we're all able to communicate easily with each other and receive any pertinent info.</p> <p><u>Parent Council Social Media:</u> As per board/School policy, Parent Council is not permitted to maintain a STOC Parent Council Social Media account on any platform.</p> <p>It is possible to have approved items posted on the STOC Twitter account (administered by Mr. Salinas).</p>	<p>Council to follow-up with the office.</p> <p>Andrea to work on posters/handouts for the school to raise parent awareness to the STOC Twitter account.</p> <p>STOC Parent Council to utilize this communication tool to maximize awareness for future initiatives. JVDK to assist with formalizing a process for submitting requests to be posted.</p>
Trustee report	<p>Mario (Pascucci) thanks all parents, students and STOC community for ongoing support and success with this year's Open House BBQ.</p> <p>Reminder to all parents with Grade 9 & 10 students to call the office for volunteer hours.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents are always encouraged to call Mario with any questions or concerns. 	
Next meeting date:	OCTOBER 19, 2022	