

Our Lady of Mercy Parent Council

Meeting Minutes – Wednesday March 9, 2022

Attendees: Leslie Marchand, Kayla M. Stephenson, Nadia Shea, Christine Fernandes, Michele Anderson, Atzire Perez-Rubio, Karen Chan, Katie Box-Hodgins, Suzanne Nunes, Alex, Tara Harkin	
Regrets:	
6:34pm	Welcome, Prayer and Land Acknowledgement
6:35pm	Approval of the Agenda: Atzire seconded by Nadia Shea
6:35pm	Approval of January meeting minutes: Approved by Atzire seconded by Nadia Shea
7:14pm	Treasurer’s Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close Parent Council account and put into main account • Total balance: \$1986.25 • Budget approved by Nadia and seconded by Atzire
6:37pm	Principal’s Report: <i>Winter Spirit Week:</i> highlighted where is the bonhomme de neige -Each class had to find bonhomme de neige -Every student got an award <i>Youth Faith Ambassadors:</i> has started with Mrs. Wolak and Mrs. Cahill -Lead school in the Ash Wednesday Liturgy -After March Break more activities will occur -YFA plans to be more active on announcements and organize <i>More Lent Liturgies</i> <i>Eco Club</i> <i>Chess Club</i> <i>Origami Club:</i> Lead by student leader in Grade 7 -to advocate student leadership opportunities in school <i>Pink Shirt Day:</i> Kindness Chain in Hallway with pink shirts <i>February: Black History Month</i> -History information read on announcement by Mrs. Marchand and each class <i>French Immersion Transition Planning:</i> -Pen-Pal between Divine Mercy and OLOM -Family Fuel happening Thursday March 10, 2022-1:00-2:15pm -Mrs. Marchand sent a welcome letter to the Divine Mercy Parent community -Students may be allowed to come to school for a visit <i>Outdoor Grant: Scientist in the School</i> -Every class will participate in scientist in the school -There can’t accommodate the virtual classroom <i>X-movement in April</i> -Purpose to engage every class in the gym Mrs. Marchand is looking into opportunities for Gr. 8 to develop leadership opportunities PRO Grant: \$500 to book Parent Engagement Night

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Flight Unit – Former Student from Notre Dame will offer leadership opportunities to Grade 6,7,8 classes -Focusing on “Who am I?” and “Who Do I want to be?” -He charges \$452 for Parent Night and \$300 for classes <p>Other suggestions to use the money:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Virtual Painting Night with aboriginal artist -Diversity Night with guest speakers -Create a sub-committee to decide what speakers to use March 24, 2022 At 6:30pm -Kayla, Atzire, and Michele <p>Social Work Presentation: Video</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Taking Care of ourselves before others -Support mental health and well-being needs -SMHO Website -to improve school attendance for students -promoting equity in social work practice -over 300 families are supported in schools with warm jackets initiatives -OLOM Social Worker in the building every Tuesday <p><i>After March Break:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -no masks in the schools -students can do group work, no more cohorts in classroom or outside <p>Guest Speakers allowed in the school</p>
8:13pm	<p>Committee Report</p> <p>Fundraising: Nadia Shea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$300 in Flipgive-it will be withdrawn by the end of the year and put into main account - Pizza Day can start up again - tentative for Friday - The vendors to consider: Gino’s Pizza, Pizza Nova, Pizza Villa - Looking to start in April - Katie volunteered to do the printouts for the pizza - students can order cheese or pepperoni <p>Popcorn: narrowing the choices to 2 options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ownership has changed in Erin Mills - Alex can pick-up popcorn <p>All Criminal Declaration needs to signed and updated and there is a fee associated with this</p> <p>Mrs. Marchand will look into pricing for Pita Pit and Lunch Moms</p> <p>OAPSA: Atzire</p> <p>January 2022: Presentation by Michelle Coutinho- Diversity</p> <p>February 2022: Meeting was attended-will wait for the minutes</p> <p>New website for OAPSE: https://dufferinpeel.oapse.org/resource</p> <p>Next meeting: March 30, 2022: 7:00-8:30pm April 27, 2022: 7:00-8:30pm May 25, 2022: 7:00-8:30pm</p>
	Parish Report:

	<p>Confession for First Communion and Confirmations will be on -March 24, 2022 4-8pm and March 30, 2022 4-8pm -Mrs. Marchand updates Parish News in the Weekend Update -Gifts for Communion and Confirmation-Nadia needs to know the number of students -Mrs. Marchand will get the numbers to Nadia Graduation:\$700 to use for Mississauga Convention which is booked for June 28, 2022 from 10-2p -Mrs. Marchand will sign contact -April 6, 2022 Meeting: will focus on Graduation -Start Parent Graduation Committee with Suzanne, Michele</p> <p>Yearbook: Maybe making a memory book this year instead of a yearbook -Yearbook should be student driven and not parent driven -Graduation and Kindergarten grad pictures are done</p> <p>Mural Project: to start for front Hallway -to be completed by September</p>
	<p>New Business: Parents need reminders about not turning left on red light</p>
	<p>Meeting Adjourned by Tara Harkin and seconded by Kayla Stephenson</p>

Next Meeting:

- Wed April 6, 2022-6:30
- Wed June 1, 2022-6:30