



Queen of Heaven Elementary School

2020-2021 School Council

Meeting Minutes, Dec 9, 2020 Online Meeting, 6:30-8:00PM

Attendees: Ms. Gizzi, Ms. Evans, Ms. Escalona, Monica C, Tara C, Feliciano S, Gisella B, Krista B, Georgia K, Jenn T, Sylvia D, Rosa S, Gia D, Tania F, Jennifer O

AGENDA ITEM & NOTES	ACTION ITEMS / PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE
<p>1. Prayer & Land Acknowledgement</p> <p>God of Love, Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love. Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent, As we wait and prepare for his coming. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour. Amen</p> <p>We would like to begin by acknowledging the land on which we gather, and which the Region of Peel operates, is part of the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land, and by doing so, give our respect to its first inhabitants.</p>	<p>Gia D & Mrs. Gizzi</p>
<p>2. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes (from Nov 19 2020)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correction to financial balance - \$12,043.49 	<p>Motion to approve minutes: Rosa S Second: Georgia K</p>
<p>3. Board Trustee Update</p> <p>Mario P invited council members to ask questions, or provide feedback that he would then pass on to the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents wanted a guarantee that there would be no more class shuffling to help maintain momentum and continuity Seeing that some schools have been shut down due to COVID – is there any possibility of adding purifiers to classrooms? The volume of Board communication has led to confusion at times; The Board should be mindful of frequency of communication and clarity of messages Snow days – possibility of simplifying by closing/canceling everything <p>Mario asked the council if they would be opposed if the Board decided to close schools for an additional week after Christmas holidays to minimize the risk of COVID infections. The Council said they would support this decision.</p>	<p>Mario P</p>
<p>4. Principal's Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school's third reorganization has been completed; everything is now stable; additional technology is arriving to be rolled out in January; staff are more prepared for hybrid model New COVID protocols from Peel Public Health have been implemented (e.g. if any child experiencing symptoms, all kids in household stay home) The city conducted smoke testing in the neighbourhood; the school got evacuated due to smoke, but no harm to anyone 	<p>Mrs. Gizzi</p>



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- School was approved for a experiential learning grant for Grade 8s
- Dec 10 Cram-a-Cruiser Campaign is being led by Miss Mata's class
- If anyone has new or unused toys or clothing, bins will be available from 8-8:30am in front of school
- Dec 11 Gift Card Drop Campaign; donations to St. Vincent de Paul Box will be outside the school from 8-8:30am on Dec 11
- Gia D and Tara C to buy gift cards to distribute to families in the school in need of support
- Spirit week initiatives scheduled for next week; raising funds for ShareLife; Students can donate via Cash Online; not taking any cash
- School will likely be painted in the new year; new murals; organized by the Board
- Advent mass on Friday – link comes from St. Paul's; will try to distribute to school community
- Virtual Christmas assembly scheduled for Dec 17
- Registration for FDK has begun; Jan 11-15 in person; online open
- Mrs. Gizzi provided a virtual tour of school to show new murals
- Question re: mood of staff
Answer: Teachers are eager to get back to normal; seeing kids helps; rather be in person than online; roller coaster; there have been a few opportunities to gather staff in community
- All window handles fixed – allows for greater circulation
- Question re: contractors on site and visitors – our region has low numbers, but concerning if contractors are visiting multiple schools
Answer: The school tries to schedule workers after hours; self assessments completed; appointments made in advance; visitors or couriers drop things at door and don't enter

5. Co-Chair's Report

- Peel lock-down instituted on Monday Nov 23 for 4 weeks

Nov 18 Human Trafficking Presentation

- Constable Joy Brown hosted; main focus was sex trafficking; misperception that this occurs mostly in other countries; many youth trafficked while they live at home and go to school

Dufferin-Peel Catholic Chair Network

- Dec 5 – training provided virtually
- Among chairs – became apparent that we should start a network; allow Chairs to connect and share ideas and information



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free online coding event held at one school (Coding.org) • Recipe in a Jar – fundraising idea; Donate 1 to shelter for every one purchased; Delivered directly to purchaser; School doesn't have to distribute • Some schools have elected not to do any fundraising • Laura Secord chocolates – directly distributes to households <p>Winter Coat Drive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No coat drive this year; no organizations accepting donations • Also contacted Dr. Simone (also not taking donations this year) <p>Feedback on Support School Improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be well received at our next open house • Art Night – family event; potentially in February; potentially engage Paint Bar • Scholastic virtual fair; tentatively scheduled for February or March <p>Purifiers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather information re:costs in anticipation of future needs • Gisella – gather info on purifiers from other school • Gia – gather info on purifier costs from other school <p>Council Profile</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let families know we are still hear for you • Add Council section to monthly newsletter <p>Other ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pen pal program for students; potentially partner with St. James • Look into mental health programs from Peel; potentially share resources from their online seminars • Krista B to help design newsletter from Council – who we are, ideas for the year, etc. 	
<p>6. Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance as of Dec 9, 2020 – \$10,543 	Tania F
<p>7. Fundraising Committee Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	Feliciano S, Catherine V, Sylvia D
<p>8. Community Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
<p>9. Parish Representative Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates 	
<p>10. OAPCE Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
<p>11. Other Business</p>	
<p>MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:57pm</p>	



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