



# Queen of Heaven Elementary School

2020-2021 School Council

Meeting Minutes, Jan 20, 2021 Online Meeting, 6:30-8:00PM

**Attendees:** Ms. Gizzi, Monica C, Tara C, Sylvia C, Tania F, Georgia, Krista B, Catherine V, Mario P, Rosa D, Debbie C, Monica S, Joanne C, Miss Evans, Cathy C, Vanessa, Cathie K

AGENDA ITEM & NOTES	ACTION ITEMS / PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE
<p><b>1. Prayer &amp; Land Acknowledgement</b></p> <p>Dear Lord, thank you for the opportunity to meet today. May we engage with each other with faith and perseverance. May we manage each situation with wisdom and value. May we speak and serve with integrity and purpose. Lord, we invite you to work within us today. <b>Amen</b></p> <p>We would like to begin by acknowledging that 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 &amp; Mrs. Gizzi</p>
<p><b>2. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes (from Dec 9 2020)</b></p>	<p><b>Motion to approve minutes:</b> Krista B <b>Second:</b> Rosa S</p>
<p><b>3. Board Trustee Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mario P invited members to ask questions and put forward items they would like tabled with the Board</li> <li>• Query re: screen time for younger students and best practices; Government has mandated 180m of online learning; this translates to a significant amount of continuous screen time for JK and Gr1 students; parents requesting more flexibility to help minimize screen time; noted that this varies between classes/teachers; Mario suggested raising with principal</li> <li>• Trustee asked for an update on plans for First Communion and Confirmation sacraments</li> <li>• Church is taking the lead; parents connected directly with church; virtual sessions being held to prep kids for First Communion; parents have been given materials to help prepare kids at home; no dates set yet</li> <li>• No information re: Confirmation yet; anticipate early February</li> <li>• Query re: how/if student evaluations will be adapted to generate marks; especially how attendance will be factored in; lack of presence online doesn't mean child is not doing school work</li> <li>• Query re: Public Health rules for when kids return to school (e.g. testing)</li> <li>• Mario P indicated that the Board is anticipating new information from Public Health in the near future and that it will be distributed shortly after</li> </ul>	<p>Mario P</p>
<p><b>4. Principal's Update</b></p>	<p>Mrs. Gizzi</p>



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- School currently has approximately 400 students participating in virtual classes; 7 needs moderate students are participating in classes in-person at school
- Virtually classes are going well; technological issues are being resolved continually; more tech tools have been ordered (e.g. tripods)
- Online tentatively until Feb 10
- Re: First Communion, Confirmation and First Reconciliation; parents directed to connect with Bev O'Grady directly through the church
- Faith and wellbeing are key themes for this year; virtue assemblies are now online; virtue of self-control is the focus in February; Black history assembly tentatively planned for February
- Reporting for term 1 planned for Feb 9; likely electronically; marking has been adapted to make evaluation possible given all the classroom rearrangements that took place
- Advent mass was held on Dec 16 virtually with Father Terry
- Planning mass with St. Dominic's and St. Paul's; Live stream hopefully for ash Wednesday
- Donation from Council supported about 10 families with winter apparel/needs over the holiday period
- High school registration underway now; FDK registration also underway
- Spirit week planned for next week; funds raised will be donated to ShareLife
- Acknowledged efforts of teachers and efforts made to make transition to virtual classes as seamless as possible
- New retirements: Miss Savage, Miss Moral retiring at end of the month
- Proposed to eliminate February meeting given students are not in-school; Next meeting March 24 (Cathy C, and Debbie second)
- **Question:** Will attendance online impact evaluation of students?
- Answer: No, this will not adversely impact grades if students are completing work off-line; especially for smaller kids; teachers are taking this into consideration
- **Question:** Given that parents are playing a more active role in the virtual classroom, it would be helpful for teachers to provide direction to parents re: role (e.g. how to submit material to help facilitate marking, etc.)
- Tip – parents should get Google classroom on their phone; makes it easier for parents to track and also submit work on behalf of child
- Each family is different and has different needs; families are encouraged to do what works best for them

**Motion to eliminate February meeting:** Cathy C  
**Second:** Debbie C



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Question:</b> Has there been any requests to support families with materials (e.g. paper, colouring materials, etc.)</li> <li>• No one has requested help yet, but we could be providing if anyone reaches out</li> <li>• Proposal re: online exercise/movement videos and resources for students; X Movement partnered with UofT; virtual access for 12 months; over 300 videos online; includes 1 live virtual half day session; each class receives a 40 min session; online health and wellness resources</li> <li>• Cost is \$1200 + HST; Request for Council to contribute \$800</li> <li>• Proposal re: Family Paint Night event; Proposed date of Feb 18; only \$100 for artist; Allot \$400 for materials if families need them (motion:Debbie / Joanne)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Motion to contribute \$800 for XMovement resources for students:</b> Joanne C <b>Second:</b> Gia D</p> <p><b>Motion to contribute \$500 for Family Paint Night:</b> Debbie C <b>Second:</b> Joanne C</p>
<p><b>5. Co-Chair's Report</b></p> <p><b>Recap of Lock-down milestones</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peel lock-down extended as of Dec 26, 2020</li> <li>• Ontario officials decided that school will not return to in-person learning on Jan 11, 2021 (remote learning in place)</li> <li>• Ontario-wide Stay-at-Home Order for 28 days began Jan 14, 2021</li> <li>• Peel schools to remain closed until Feb 10, 2021 (remote learning in place)</li> <li>• Vaccinations to high-risk and Health Care workers began in late December, but current Public Health projections indicate late-Fall 2021 for Herd Immunity</li> </ul> <p><b>Announcement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monica C will be stepping down from position of Co-Chair as she is initiated a full-time school program that conflicts with her ability to fulfill the role; many thanks to Monica for her leadership last year as well as this year and for all the time and effort she devotes to the Council!</li> </ul> <p><b>Purifiers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gisella gathered info on purifiers from a teacher in the school she works in</li> <li>• Filter has a timer to turn on/off, no staff care required, classrooms were tested for air quality to determine who needed them</li> <li>• Still no info on cost or provider</li> <li>• Mrs. Gizzi to connect with Board to get guidance on how to do this effectively; readdress topic at March meeting</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6. Treasurer's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance as of Jan 20 - \$10,543.49 (prior to approvals in this meeting)</li> </ul>	Tania F
<p><b>7. Fundraising Committee Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>	
<p><b>8. Community Report</b></p>	



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No report</li></ul>	
<b>9. Parish Representative Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reconciliation/ First Communion/ Confirmation classes are going ahead; they begin end of the month/early February, and are virtual</li><li>No confirmed dates of these celebrations (Covid-19 pending)</li></ul>	
<b>10. OAPCE Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Catholic Education Week 2021 being planned</li></ul>	
<b>11. Other Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Question: How might the school be able to facilitate parents connecting; allow parents to arrange social virtual calls for students; some families use Kids messenger via facebook; safer for kids; Mrs. Gizzi will ask Board for guidance</li></ul>	
<b>MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:09pm</b>	