

St. Elizabeth Seton Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Date: January 11, 2024
Location: Microsoft Teams (virtual)
Time: 6:00-6:56pm

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting date: January 11, 2024

Attendance:

Maryann D'Souza - Principal
Amanda LeBlanc – Chair
Matthew Gray - Co-Chair
Tihera Archibald - Treasurer
Diana Virk - Secretary
Carnisa Vincent - Parish Rep
Astrid Juarez - OAPCE Rep
Paul Wojnarowicz – Parent Rep
Jada Wojnarowicz - Parent Rep
Kerri Marineau – Parent Rep
Iryna Cannataro – Parent Rep
Stephanie McQueen-Assefa - Parent Rep

Regrets: Marisol Pasha, Twinkle Matthews, Ann Marie Sustar, Terri Jean-Marie, Julie Sheridan

Recorder: Diana Virk

Approve Agenda and Minutes

Review Agenda – Diana Virk, Matthew Gray 2nd

Review of Minutes – Tihera Archibald, Diana Virk 2nd

Principal's Report

- Faith in school - lots of school and community events occurred
- Rosary Apostolate - Jan 15 - all classes participate
- Virtue Assembly - Dec 21 - Conscience and Hope
- School Advent Mass - Father Joyson and school advent retreat
- Christmas celebration in school - full participation for both showcases
- Reconciliation for grade 2 and confirmation for grade 7 - Staff have requested in lieu of gift books, if parent council can fund rosary bracelets - parent council approved
- Bully Awareness - announcements and assembly; Spirit Week - money collected during this week is going towards buddy bench (hoping for this to be installed by end of the year) - \$150 raised
- Advent and Christmas gift card drive - supported 12 families and every family received \$200-300 along with gifts for children
- Parent council supported one family
- Diversity and Inclusivity Club - mandated by Ministry of Education - brainstorming activities for throughout the year, update at next
- Peel Health Nurse training student leaders in G6-8
- ShareLife - \$205 raised through cookie and popcorn fundraiser, another fundraiser will be done to raise \$500 in total
- Book Fair in November - Scholastic dollars raised \$2,371 - purchased books for junior divisions, carpets, beanbags
- Literacy lead - 9 weeks - worked with primary teachers - great progress in classes, focused on phonics and sounds
- CCAT in Grade 4 - 1 gifted student identified
- French Cafe in May - Staff requested \$100-200 for decorations - parent council approved
- Roles and responsibilities of council members - MaryAnn to be sending information out to each

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person in the specific position, parent council members to refresh this

- Drumming for families to attend - May 23

Student's Report

- No updates

Teacher's Report

- No updates

Parish Report

- Feast Day Mass at the church
- Next meeting is Jan 30, we will need a teacher rep for the school - MaryAnn to follow-up with teachers

Treasurer's Report

- \$17,835.52 in account as of January 11, 2024
- Walkthrough of expenses paid
- Expenses for French cafe in May & rosary bracelets as sacrament gifts for Grade 2 and 7 approved

OAPCE Report

- New OAPCE website has launched
- 85th conference in Toronto in April

Chair Report

- 324 students, 33 staff for Pancake Tuesday, February 13 - poll for volunteers
- Santa photos - \$1,200 (40 families), refunded add-ons, and photographer's fee of \$200
- Feast Day Mass - January 25 - cookies, fruit and veggie trays and water
- Movie night - pizza and popcorn pre-order available
 - March 7 - JK-Grade 3
 - April 11 - Grade 4-8

Meeting concluded at: 6:56pm

Next meeting: February 1 at 6pm, Staff Room