



MINUTES OF MEETING – May 17, 2021 / 7pm (Virtual meeting)

Attendees Present: K. Ferrao, P. Pancras, B. Stanger, A. Sol Cruz, J. Da Silva, J. Rosario, K. Ejzenchart, M. Habashy, S. De Melo, R. Barbuc, S. D’Mello, K. Roach

Nominated but Absent: N. Lobo; J. Carvajal

Agenda Item		Key Notes
1.	Welcome	K. Ferrao and B. Stanger welcomed all to the meeting. Meeting called to order 7:05 pm
2.	Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgment	Land Acknowledgment We acknowledge that this virtual meeting is taking place on Indigenous lands. This land, as we know it today, is rich in the history and modern traditions of many First Nations, the Métis and Inuit. Our Catholic Social Teachings call us, in solidarity with our Indigenous brothers and sisters, to honour and respect the four directions, lands, waters, plants, animals and ancestors that walked before us. All these wonderful elements of creation exist, gifted to us by our creator God. No matter where you are on Turtle Island, which is now known as Canada and the United States, you are always on Indigenous territory. It is an important act of reconciliation to know on whose land we stand on and work together in the spirit of Treaty 13 which covers those lands. We thank the Mississaugas of the Credit and the Anishinabek First Nations for being stewards of this land and for continuing to share this land with us.
3.	Approval of Agenda Review of March 22, 2021 Minutes	Motion to approve: R. Barbuc Motion seconded by: K. Ejzenchart Motion carried
4.	Chairs Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fundraising (Mabel’s Label) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Run beginning of the new school year 2021/2022 ● Parent-engagement night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Bingo Game – proposed to be run per classroom during class time by teachers who are interested) <input type="checkbox"/> Drumming et al. \$200 per session (2 sessions; different program from Kindergarten to Gr 4; and Gr 4 to 8) <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Wellness (budget up to \$500) to find the presenter ● Graduation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → 27 kids in total → Bingo online game for grade 8s, with prizes as a special treat for them at the end of the year → Gift ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ last year the amount spent was \$15 per student; alternative to lawn signs is sought for this year to enable equity amongst the board for those who don’t have lawns and signs are not environmentally friendly ◆ Custom baseball cap (e.g., Class of 2021) ● Well being support for family in need <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> \$75-80 approved
5.	Treasurers Update	Last meeting (March 22) balance was \$7532.97; \$500 allocated to Angel Fund and <i>up to</i> \$1100 for crafts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$500 for graduate gifts ● \$80 to support well –being for a family in need ● \$1800 for (5) Chromebooks; motion voted and approved by voting members
6.	Parish Rep Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● First Communion Update

		Per April 22 communication from St. Josephine Bakhita parish, First Communion is postponed to summer or fall (when restrictions lift); if individuals want to proceed at this time, the parish should be contacted for arrangements
7.	Principal's report- Ms. Ferrao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are happy to have Mrs. Di Vito back with her class. Stella G., has been recognized by the Philippine Consulate for her artwork that was submitted for the "Healing and Hope from Pandemic" competition. Joshua S., participated in the Skills Ontario Provincial Elementary TV-Video challenge The Day Care Centre has moved to St. Albert of Jerusalem while their space here is expanded. It is now under construction. Construction is due to be completed in the middle of August. They will be able to return once the space has been licensed by the Ministry. Note, if schools reopen before the end of this school year, we will need to lock the gate to the parking lot to ensure the health and safety of our parents and students while construction continues. (Several parking spaces have been blocked off for the construction, added congestion of cars trying to enter an exit would pose a health and safety risk). The school board started offering an Indigenous language course through night school that was well-received. They will be continuing with part 2 of that course as well as part 1 for students that are interested. In addition, anyone, regardless of age, can participate in learning Ojibway through Saturday school throughout the next school year. Families are welcome to attend together. Information about this course can be found in the May newsletter. Graduation – we have planned to have grade 8 graduation photos to be taken on June 25th, if schools are open, or at the Edge imaging studio, by appointment – if small businesses can open. Note that these can only happen if the Government and/or the Medical officers allow schools and/or small businesses to reopen. Plan B is in the works. Mr. Longo is collecting photos of the students in grade 8. He will photoshop them to prepare them to be used for a composite of the class of 2021 that Edge Imaging will print for us. The school will be giving these composites to the graduates as a gift this year. We have a window of opportunity to purchase Chromebook sand/or iPads. 25 of our current Chromebooks will be end of life as will 35 of our iPads. We will not be able to replace all of these with our current budget. Playground painting has been approved. We are now on the list of schools to be painted by Triple C painters. They will contact me before starting. You may have noticed that we have been locking the parking gates at the end of the day. This is to avoid people driving into the playground and attempting to do donuts with their cars on our pavement. I am happy to contact anyone who has any concerns. They can email the St. Edith Stein info mailbox. If they leave me their name, their child's name, and contact information, I will reply to them.
8.	Teachers Update	None.
9.	OAPCE update	Virtual 'Addiction to Gaming' presentation is open for registration. It will be held on Wednesday May 26, 2021 at 7 pm EST- register online
9.	Other Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 35 chromebooks will be end of life. School will purchase some, cannot replace all. Council voted on purchasing 5 chromebooks. Motion voted on and approved.
10.	Next Meeting	September 20, 2021 (tentative date)
11.	Adjourn Meeting	Motion to adjourn: B. Stanger Motion seconded by: R. Barbuc Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm
12.	Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer said by P. Pancras