

ST. URSULA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes, 2022-2023 School Year

Wednesday, Sept. 21st, 2022 at 6:30PM | Location: In-person & Google Meet video call
Meeting called to order by: Mrs. Davenport

In Attendance

- Mrs. Davenport (Principal), M. Biagi (Co-Chair), T. Bell (Co-Chair & Parish Rep), D. Cook (Treasurer), N. Yousif (Teacher), K. Barimah (parent), A. Bruney-Francis (parent), C. Calabrese (parent, via online)

Regrets

- A. Vitorino (Non-Teaching Rep.), I. Misic (Secretary), P. Rodrigues (Parent Rep), N. Rodney (Parent Rep.), J. Fairclough (Teacher Rep.)

Welcome Address

- Mrs. Davenport began the meeting at 6:39pm & welcomed everyone

Land Acknowledgement

- Mrs. Davenport showed a video for the Land Acknowledgement to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for their stewardship of their land

Opening Prayer

- T. Bell led everyone in prayer: "Prayer to Begin a School Year"

School Council Members: Outgoing & New Elected/Appointed

- dissolved 2021-2022 School Council members
- Mrs. Davenport informed attendees of School Council member nominations.
New School Council members are as follows:
 - **Co-chair:** T. Bell
 - **Co-chair:** M. Biagi
 - **Teaching Rep:** N. Yousif / J. Fairclough
 - **Non-Teaching Rep:** A. Vitorino
 - **Treasurer:** D. Cook
 - **O.A.P.C.E.:** K. Barimah
 - **Secretary:** A. Bruney-Francis
 - **Parish Rep.:** no one nominated & no one appointed. Mrs. Davenport will relay any information from the Parish.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

- Minutes from the last meeting, June 15th, 2022, were reviewed. Floor was open for any questions & suggested edits are required.
- Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with suggested edits: approved by T. Bell & D. Cook

Treasurer Report

- School Council generated funds by the end of August 2022 = \$1,854.91

O.A.P.C.E. Update

- nothing to report at this time.

Principal's Report, Administrative Updates (Mrs. Davenport)

- *Welcome back to all students and families! We are looking forward to a regular school year with all the usual extra-curricular activities and events!*
- COVID-19 Updates
 - Reminder, all Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted. We continue to promote proper hand hygiene with students.
 - Daily Covid Screening is recommended, and we ask that parents keep their children home when they are sick.
 - As per PPH -masking is required when your isolation after COVID-19 symptoms have ended and for 10 days after last exposure to a person with COVID-19 or COVID-19 symptoms
- School Organization:
 - Currently we have 326 students registered.
 - Reorganization of classes did occur on September 19, 2022.
 - Thank you to the community for your support with these necessary changes.
 - School Organization Plan for Term #1:
 - 14 classes
 - FDK, SK/1, 2, 2/3, 3/4, 5, 5/6, 6/7, 7/8, 8
 - French Immersion 5/6, 6/7, 7/8
 - 1 Board Level primary ASD special education class
- We would like to welcome some new staff:
 - Ms. Wickham, Grade 8 LTO for Mrs. P. Gallant
 - Ms. J. Selvaggio, SK/1 LTO for Ms. Y. De Souza
 - Ms. C. Isalana, ERW
 - Ms. L. Di Geronimo, ERW
- Over the summer months 2 projects were completed:
 - Replacing of the School Boiler
 - New Elevator
- School budget for 2021-2022 was used on:
 - classroom supplies
 - X-Movement
 - micro-bits/ robotics
 - gym equipment
 - Chrome Books & their chargers & headphones

- SMART Boards

- Coming up...

- Terry Fox Walk Sept. 23, we invite parents to donate to support the Terry Fox Cancer Research Foundation through School Cash online.
- Sept. 28th Open House/BBQ, looking forward to seeing all families
- September 30th we will be recognizing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Orange Shirt Day
- As part of our Anti Bullying BRAVE workshops have been booked for Oct. 3-4th. I would like to ask for CSC's support and the rest of the money will come from SGF (PIZZA \$ from last year)
- Brampton West Harvest of Hope -Oct. 14th (*event for children with special needs*)
- Opening School Mass Oct. 17· 2022, 11:00am in the school gym, all parents/guardians are welcome to join us in-person
- IEPs go home Oct 18th
- Photo Day October 20th (Retake No. 17th)

Parish Update

- nothing to report at this time.

Fundraising Update

- Pizza lunches will continue to be a fundraiser run by the School.
- proposed fundraisers by School Council:
 - sub lunches - all Council members voted in favour.
 - Poinsettias during Christmas season - all Council members voted in favour.
 - Domino's pizza dinners – all Council members voted in favour
 - gift cards fundraiser – D. Cook to look into further
 - FlipGIVE – D. Cook to look into further
 - CodeNinjas gift giveaway to schools – D. Cook to look into further

Other Items

- School generated funds by the end of August = approx. \$2,329.
 - Mrs. Davenport asked Council for help via \$1,000 to book the 2nd session for Intermediate classes focussed on anti-bullying workshop. Council opted to hold off for now until more funds have been raised; in order to make sure there's still enough funds to give towards regular allocations such as student agendas, First Communion bracelets, Intermediate graduation, etc.

Next Meeting

- Next School Council mtg dates:
 - Wednesday, October 12th
 - Wed. November 9th,
 - Wed. January 11th,
 - Wed. February 8th,
 - Wed. April 12th,
 - Wed. June 14th
- All future meetings are scheduled to be held virtually, unless Council members feel an in-person meeting is required. A link will be sent out to the school community within a few days before that scheduled meeting date. As per the

School Board, going forward, any School Council meetings held in-person still need to have a link sent out for school community online attendees.

Conclusion

- Mrs. Davenport & M. Biagi thanked everyone for joining tonight's meeting.
- Meeting adjourned 8:43pm