

ST. URSULA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes, 2022-2023 School Year

Wednesday, Oct. 12th, 2022 – 6:30PM | Location: Google Meet video call

Meeting called to order by: M. Biagi (co-chair)

In Attendance

- Mrs. Davenport (Principal), M. Biagi (Co-Chair), T. Bell (Co-Chair), D. Cook (Treasurer), A. Bruney-Francis (Secretary), N. Yousif (Teaching Rep), A. Vitorino (Non-Teaching Rep.),
- C. Calabrese (Parent), A. Baltazar (Parent), G. Chung-Lee (Parent), J. Geraldles (Parent),
- K. Barimah (O.A.P.C.E. Rep.) joined 6:49pm

Regrets

- J. Fairclough (Teaching Rep)

Welcome Address

- M. Biagi began the meeting at 6:37pm & 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

- M. Biagi led everyone in prayer.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

- Minutes from the last meeting, Sept. 21st, 2022, were reviewed. Suggested edits are required.
 - Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with suggested edits: approved by M. Biagi & T. Bell

Treasurer Report

- Summary presented by M. Biagi, updated as of Sept. 30th, 2022:
 - \$429.90 profit last school year from fundraising
 - \$862.62 available balance going into 2022-2023 after allocations for 2022-2023

O.A.P.C.E. Update

- no update at this time

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

- On Sept. 23rd staff and students participated in the annual Terry Fox Walk
 - Thank you to all families for supporting the Terry Fox Cancer Research Foundation

- September 30th St. Ursula classes were engaged in learning and talking about the significance and importance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Thank you to all families who came out on Sept. 28th for our Open House/BBQ.
- All classes participated in BRAVE Anti Bullying workshops on Oct. 3rd and 4th to support our commitment to creating a safe and caring environment for all. We are planning to invite them back in the new year depending on the availability of funds.
- Some students with diverse learning needs will be participating in the Brampton West family of schools annual Harvest of Hope Event on Oct. 14th.
- We look forward to welcoming Father Jobby to our Opening School Mass on Oct. 17th, 2022 at 11:00am in the school gym, all parents/guardians are welcome to join us
- Reminder that first term IEPs go home Oct 18th
- Photo Day October 20th (Retakes on Nov. 17th)
 - class photos will be done at a later date on April 19th
- We have several clubs and athletics up and running – Junior volleyball, cross country, flag football, YFA, Rosary, French and more to come.
- 2022-2023 year is off to a great start!

Parish Update

- no update at this time

Fundraising Update

- M. Biagi requested volunteers for a fundraising committee:
 - volunteers: D. Cooke, M. Biagi & A. Baltazar
- J. Geraldles spoke about 'Terra Cotta Cookies':
 - each box comes with 40-drops frozen, quick bake
 - \$15 per box with \$6 per box profit towards school
 - shortbread box = \$10 per box with \$4 profit per box towards school
 - Terra Cotta will create web page for school so we can distribute to parents for ease of ordering & paying through that web page
 - If over \$500 is raised by the school, then a huge cookie is awarded from Terra Cotta to the school. Which can be raffled off or used as an incentive to participants for selling more,
 - if less than \$500 raised then school has to pick up orders directly from Terra Cotta in Georgetown
 - products are all nut free
 - School Council members voted in favour: T. Bell, M. Biagi, D. Cooke, K. Barimah, N. Yousif, A. Bruney-Francis, A. Vitorino

- Sub lunches
 - A. Vitorino to check deadline time on School CashOnline, as it's usually midnight of the deadline day indicated, but this first one for subs closed about 10am (as noted by A. Brune-Francis)
 - A. Baltazar asked if we can have the option to order a 12" sub in combo instead of a 2nd whole combo, or a 2nd 6" sub in addition to combo. D. Cooke to look into with Mr. Sub.
- Dominos pizza
 - All voted in favour to go ahead once all info is gathered
- Poinsettias
 - D. Cook reached out to contact but hasn't heard back yet
 - Council members decided to not pursue at this time.
- FlipGive
 - A. Baltazar & A. Vitorino spoke about great to start now
 - Council members voted in favour: unanimous

Other Items

- next School Council meeting of Nov. 9th same time as St. Roch open house, & Nov 30th is Cardinal Leger
 - will reschedule for Dec. 7th mtg instead of Nov. 9th.
 - Council members voted in favour: unanimous
- T. Bell spoke about McMillian cookies = 30% profit, 35% after 249-items. Not as 'hands off' as Terra Cotta cookies
 - McMillian can't guarantee peanut free
- T. Bell picked up Code Ninjas gift basket for free, we can use as prize in one of our fundraisers

Next Meeting

- Next School Council mtg dates:
 - Wed. December 7th
 - 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 read a closing prayer from a one of the classrooms: "The Voice of our Faith"
- M. Biagi thanked everyone for joining tonight's meeting.

- Meeting adjourned 7:54pm