

# ST. URSULA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

## **UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES**

## Wednesday September 29 @ 6:30 pm Zoom

Attendees: Rita. D, Wayne. C, Miria. B, Dawn. C ,Jennifer. W ,Tanya B , Douglas F, Anna V, Nadia

R, Tanya B, Patti. R, Simonne V, Jennifer F, Simone B, Nicholas A

Visitors: Kathy M, Nicholas A, Jobin J,

Regrets: Victor. R, Nadine E,

Call to Order-Welcome-Acknowledgment of First Nations Sacred Territory-Opening Prayer (6:40

PM)

Tanya shared an opening prayer

Minutes from the last council meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### Nominations for council 2021-2022:

Votes:

Co-Chair: Miria Co-Chair: Tanya Treasurer: Dawn C Secretary: TBD OAPCE: TBD

Parish Rep: Tanya will share the information from the parish

Teacher rep: Jen Fairclough Non teacher rep: Anna Vitorino

- Nicholas Alexander-Marks volunteered for the secretary position. Need to follow up
  with bylaws to see if this is possible as the nomination had not been received in time.
  Jennifer shared she would help transition new secretary.
- Council needs to be elected in 30 days. Someone can take the position and if they are unable to meet the expectations, then someone else can take it on. Rita and Miria will strategize ways to have Nicholas in

### Principal/Vice-Principal's Report (6:45PM)

Welcome back to all students and families, we are happy to be back to in class learning.

We continue to follow all PPH COVID-19 protocols to ensure the health and safety of all staff and students

Like last year, only essential visitors are allowed access to the school and anyone entering must complete/pass the COVID Screening Tool before they enter.

We are asking that parents only access the building if they need to pick up their sick child or if they have an appointment and have completed/passed the Covid-19 Screening.

**NEW** this year- all students must confirm and verify that they have completed/passed the Covid-19 screening before they enter school each day. Students must present the Green Pass that was provided to all students or show that they received a green check on the Covid Screening App. So far this verification process is going well.

Currently we have 341 students registered. (40 online)

Reorganization of classes did occur on September 20<sup>th</sup> due to a decline in the # of students attending in person. Thank you to the community for your support with these necessary changes.

School Organization Plan for Term #1:

14 classes from FDK – Grade 8, 1 primary ASD special education class and 1 remote grade 5 class.

Depending on the number of students that choose to change their learning mode for Term # 2, another reorganization may take place in February. More details will follow as we get closer to the end of Term #1.

We would like to welcome new staff:

Ms. Di Felice Gr 5/6 FI

Ms. Constantin, Grade 6

Mr. Tshiama, Grade 7/8 FI

Ms. DaCosta, Grade 4

Ms. Decaire CYW

Ms. Evans- Chambers, ERW

Ms. Mazurkiewicz, ERW

Welcome back to Ms. Fairclough who is returning from Maternity leave.

At this time, we are not able to participate in inter school events or have large indoor assemblies or gatherings.

PPH has mandated that students must stay with their cohort(class) for contact tracing purposes and to limit opportunities for exposure so we cannot have all students outside at the same time for recess and lunch breaks. In response to this we have set up 2 x 25-minute outdoor physical activity breaks and a 20 minute outdoor block during the lunch hour for each class. Weather permitting all classes will have 70 minutes of outdoor activity time each day.

Over the summer months 2 projects were completed:

- a variety of games were painted on the paved area for students to use during recess
- indoor painting of murals highlighting the virtues and OCSGE

#### Coming up...

We will be having our Terry Fox walk September 29<sup>th</sup> and invite parents to donate to support the Terry Fox Cancer Research Foundation through School Cash Online.

On September 30<sup>th</sup> we will be recognizing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Grade 4 CCAT testing will be taking place the week of October 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Old Business Updates (6:50 PM)

- Ex Movement table to the spring- this will get addressed next year when the program is run outside. Commitment had been made in 2019-Deposit has already been made

New Business Updates(7:00 pm PM)

## Reports (5 minutes) (7:30)

No new business

- Treasurer:
  - Miria sent out report to everyone on council
  - We have about \$2200 currently in the account
  - \$4800 has been put aside. Miria is suggesting some of this money be pulled back as only \$740 has been used.
  - Raz kids, Rosary beads, gradation \$2000 had been allocated and used.
     Money will come back and get reallocated. We will be able to see Board funds.
  - Money coming back is committed funds.
  - o Balance \$11264.95- closing balance July 30, 2021
  - Anna will resend Reconciliation(June, July and August) report to Miria
  - Wish list will be reviewed at next meeting
     Virtual meetings can be done regarding residential schools and can get a presenter.

### Fundraising Committee:

Last year fundraising: pizza from Tonino's and Cakes from Occasions Little Caesars is well run but wasn't a possibility as we couldn't go and pick them up.

Christina C is passionate about fundraising. She currently is on council at Angela Merici She is willing to help St. Ursula with fundraising.

#### OAPCE

- 1. Dufferin-Peel OAPCE meetings for 2021 are listed below. Meetings will be online from 7-8:30pm. Registration is necessary to receive meeting documents and link.
- · October 27, 2021, 7:00 to 8:30 Regional Council team meeting
- December 1st, 2021, 7:00 to 8:30 Regional Council meeting followed by a presentation for parents, from a Registered Dietician
- December 15<sup>th,</sup> 2021 7:00 -8:00 p.m. "OAPCE representatives and guests Family Night". Celebrating Advent with an opportunity to make an art piece using Zentangle. Zentangle is linked to reducing stress and improving mental wellness.
- If you received OPACE notifications last year and would like to continue receiving them, you will need to re-subscribe for the 2021-2022 school year using this <u>LINK</u>.
- 3. September 2021 Newsletter

### Parish (Tanya)

Deadlines for sacraments is this Friday- classes will start in November Youth ministry will start Fridays

Sacrament classes were online last year. This year unclear if this is a possibility The lessons and structure is done through St. Anne's parish. Information is on the website. Information was in the school newsletter in September

Next Meeting: October 13, 2021

Agenda items for next meeting:

Adjournment and closing prayer (8:00pm)

# **New Meeting dates:**

October 13, 2021 November 10, 2021 December 8, 2021 January 12, 2022 February 9, 2022 March 9, 2022 April 6, 2022 May 11, 2022 June 15, 2022