



# ST. URSULA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

## APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday November 04, 2020 @ 6:30 pm  
Zoom

### ***Call to Order-Welcome-Acknowledgment of First Nations Sacred Territory-Opening Prayer (6:45 PM)***

**Attendees:** Rita. D, Jennifer. W, Anna V, Tanya B, Nadia. R, Miria. B, Elisa. W, Dawn. C, Patti. R, Sandra. V, Simonne. V, Douglas, Tanya S, Izehi O., Karen L, Mrs. DeSousa, Horace W, Deborah, Phung, Amara, Kofi. B, Nathaniel,

**Regrets:** Wayne C.

Miria opened the meeting with Indigenous Land Acknowledgement (6:45)

Tanya shared an opening prayer

### ***Principal/Vice-Principal's Report (7:00) PM)***

- We have two new staff
- Grade 5 FI does not have a French teacher. No teacher has applied to the position.  
Teacher shortage is a board wide issue
  - Supply teachers have been covering the class
  - Now we have secured a LTO teacher but she is not able to teach the french part of the program
  - Hoping after reorganization we will be able to secure a French speaking teacher
- Mr. Moscatini is on a leave currently. Mr. M. Ramdin will be replacing him until he returns.
- Staff and students engaged in spirit week. There are pictures in the newsletter
- Progress reports will be going home November 10, 2020
  - Remote students will get electronic copy
  - Parent teacher interviews will happen if requested by either teacher or parent. It will be by phone.
  - Forms had been sent home last week.
  - Nov 9-13-Teachers will conduct these calls on breaks and lunches
- Reorganization
  - Data has been collected, hoping to have information by end of week
  - Changes are likely to take place, Teachers as well as students will be reorganized
  - This will be the last one for the year.
  - 85 students have opted to remain remote; 313 students will be in the hybrid model.

- More kids are going to be back in the school.
- **There will be no in school learning November 13, 2020**
- School hopes to inform parents will by November 12, 2020
- November 11 2020 Remembrance day
  - School is working on doing a virtual presentation and moment of silence
  - Ms. V has reached out to the local region to see if they are going to distribute poppies to school. Open to donations by doing on cash online
  - Children can wear their Boy Scouts and Girl guide uniforms to show support
- November 16- anti bullying week- activities will focus on anti bullying strategies
  - This will be done virtually, so kids can stream it
- Sunday of advent November 29, 2020
  - Due to COVID restrictions, unable to have regular school masses
  - Father Joel will invite school to attend St Anne's streaming of daily mass
  - Grad masses will also be held this way
- Register for first communion will be open for May 2021, No dates yet for confirmation
- Confirmation dates for 2019 will happen in December. Specific details will come from parish
- Sharelife
  - Last year school raised over \$1700
  - We are hopeful that we can raise more this year

#### ***Old Business Updates (7:37 PM)***

- Approved Minutes from February 12 2020 minutes and October 14 2020
- Just for Kids catering
  - Money had been found from last year
  - Dawn reached out for the 2018-2019 to see if funds are there. Ms. V has not found outstanding money from 2018-2019
  - Dawn has sent another email to find out
  - There are no order details provided from the company
  - Mrs. V has reached out to purchasing and the company is now a not approved vendor
  - Vote to release outstanding money and not to recommend in the future
    - Vote passed
- X - Movement
  - Mrs. Davenport is waiting to get approval from the board as they are trying to continue the program with social distancing measures as they can provide a program outdoors. (They have updated their model to comply with Covid-19 regulations)
  - Hoping to have this in the spring. If this doesn't work, possibility that we will get our deposit back
  - It was brought forward to see if it is possible to enquire if they can reduce the deposit to \$500. Mrs. Davenport will email company to follow up
  - Issue will be brought forward to Dec meeting
  - Initial Deposit was \$2300

### ***New Business Updates (7:15 PM)***

Mira shared CCCSC In-Service - Nov 28 (To be confirmed)

Saturday morning webinar to provide training for school council members in new roles or seeking a refresher.

- Nov 28, 2020 training information for training
  - Human trafficking webinar November 18, 2020- reminder will be online
  - Treaties recognition week
  - Board website has a lot of information
  - Updated Covid19 numbers can be found on the Dufferin Catholic school Board
- Miria has send an email to the superintendent to see # of resolved cases  
Students and staff are doing a great job at social distancing

Issue of water bottles was brought forward

Some parents are concerned that children were not getting enough water, as school fountains are not being used. Ms. Davenport shared that students are able to use the refill stations.

Ms. Davenport suggested the possibility of purchasing water bottles for students  
Tanya will look into the cost of water bottles (315 bottles in total)

### ***BRAVE Program***

- *They had reached out to Mrs. Davenport*
- *They have a series of online programs that can be offered virtually*
- *Teachers can also do follow up lessons*
- - *This is going to be pushed into the new year. Jan 2021 meeting*

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

- *Treasurer: (6:40-6:50)*

Horace attended the meeting tonight to share the report  
The final report has some outstanding things before being able to close off the books.  
Money in fund is \$13058.95  
Some money was put back into the fund as the commitments did not happen last year. (Grade 8 trip 2000, Grade 8 grade and kindergarten grad was less than first committed  
Raz kids no invoice- left as committed finds  
Made money on chocolate and cards  
He will make a written report for the treasurer. Will hand it in this weekend  
He will also meet with Nadia and Miria to bring them up to date. He will reach out to them to connect.  
Council will review commitments for upcoming year and review  
Horace will make a version of last year's report to share with the community. He will make a draft for review

- *Fundraising Committee:*
  - Can fundraise this year as long as it can be done online
  - However, should not raise funds right now until money from last year is spent
  
- **OAPCE**
  - Had meeting Oct 28, 2020
  - OAPCE is currently seeking provincial feedback from parents and guardians regarding the 2020/2021 return to school protocols and communications.
  - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeLSppeJlBprLAfrdhp5pKQgZ4LlueFS7ZaGJWFw32eTDjVrw/viewform>
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  - **Webinar Series in November - FREE**
  - The theme is "Parenting Positively in a Pandemic"
  - The series will take place over 3 consecutive Saturday afternoons:
  - *November 7 - Michael Way Skinner*
  - Will lead a discussion about one of the best ways to develop an intentional practice of looking for signs of God's presence and goodness in the ordinary events of daily life
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  - *November 14 - Penny Patrician, Ministry of Education*
  - This workshop will examine some of the myths of parent engagement and explore what matters most to children's success.
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  - *Nov 21- OAPCE 81st AGM*
  - Dr. Anne Jaimeson, Executive Director, ICE
  - Will help us reflect on who can nurture our hope, how it can be nurtured and what kind of harvest we can expect. Scripture promises us "Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength." (Is 40:31)
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  - Miguel Martinez-Parenting through the new normal
  - Through this highly interactive and engaging workshop, caregivers will discover two principles 1) Strategies to help their child cope with complicated feelings and 2) Develop routines to re-establish normality and increase good mental health.
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  - Visit <https://www.oapce.org/2020-oapce-agm> for more details about the sessions and to registration
  - **CCCSC In-Service** - Nov 28 (To be confirmed)
  - Saturday morning webinar to provide training for school council members in new roles or seeking a refresher.
  - **The Parent-4-Parent Press** ( Vol. 81 Issue 10 2020)
  - <https://www.oapce.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/The-Parents-4-Parents-Press.pdf>
  - **You must register to attend these webinars**
  - Parents can get newsletter to get information

- *Parish (Tanya)*
  - Beading Buds- Tanya will try to see if there are other ways to do it so we can continue as we can't have people in the school
  - Confirmation will start in Dec. Confession will be the first week of Dec. last week of Nov.
    - Will be on a first come, first served basis. Limited seating

some parents from last year did not get communion. This was registered from the church Ms. Arlene did indicate that some of them moved the remainder of the lessons were online Follow St Anne parish on Facebook

***Next Meeting: December 2, 2020*** at 6:30 p.m., Zoom (link to follow)

***Agenda items for next meeting***

***Adjournment and closing prayer (7:48 pm)***

#### **Meeting dates**

- January 27, 2021
- March 3, 2021
- April 7, 2021
- May 5, 2021
- June 2, 2021