

ST. ANGELA MERICI CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes, 2022-2023 School Year

Thursday, April 13, 2023 – 6:30PM | Via Teams, video call

Meeting called to order by Christina Calabrese

In Attendance

- Christina Calabrese, Taria Rossi, Nadine Edwards, Mrs. D Linardic, Julia Rivero, Lisa DeLeo, Joseph Fernandez, Mrs. Miranda Brant, Ivan Pingyin., Ann Ghoura, Linda Benedik, Valerie Frantellizi.

Regrets

- Regrets: Nil

Welcome and Introduction (Ms. Christina Calabrese)

- Meeting called to order by the Chair at 6:33pm

Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement

- Land Acknowledgement and the Opening Prayer by Christina Calabrese's daughter

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (Ms. Christina Calabrese)

- No points raised
- Motion to approve the minutes - approved by Christina Calabrese seconded by Joseph Fernandez

Principal's Report, Administrative Updates (Mrs. D. Linardic)

FAITH:

- Mass - June 16 @ 9:30 at GAP (buses to be booked)

ECO

- Earth Rangers Battery Blitz using the Call to Recycle until April 28
 - Earth Rangers Presentation: May 9
- EARTH DAY - April 22nd
 - Spirit Earth Week APRIL 17th to APRIL 21st
 - Daily challenges and spirit day colours.
 - Dance Party outside April 21
- PROJECT ZERO - Two challenges:
 - begins Monday April 17th and will continue until the end of the year and into next year
 - journey to zero single-use plastic in our school by eliminating one single-use plastic a year
 - This year: cutlery
 - Monday, each classroom will receive **3 metal forks and 3 metal spoons** in a brown bag to be kept in classrooms

Equity:

- Land Acknowledgement
 - In depth understanding of the Land Acknowledgement
 - Melanie Cormier, Anishinaabek elder and knowledge keeper, will teach students about treaties and our reciprocal relationship with nature

Lent

- c. Successful Food drive for Knights Table
- d. Shrove Tuesday /Ash Wednesday (liturgy)
- e. Holy Week:
 - Stations of the cross
 - Pretzels for each student: a symbol in Lent

Sacraments

First Communion:

- **April 20:** Retreat
- **May 1:** First Reconciliation for Grade 2 at GAP @ 7:00 pm
- **May 6:** First Communion at GAP 11:00 am

Confirmation:

- **April 24:** Reconciliation for Confirmandi at GAP @ 7:00 pm
- **April 28:** Retreat at Sara Elizabeth Centre
- **May 15:** Confirmation (Grade 7) at GAP @ 7:00 pm

Catholic Education Week May 1-6: We are Many, We are One

- May 1: Reconciliation Grade 2
- Scholastic Book Fair
- May 3: Journey Into Learning - Information night for families new to K for September
- May 5: Crowning of Mary
- May 6: First Communion

Ottawa

- April 19-21
- Grade 7/8
 - a. 43 students participating

Community Events:

- April 13/14: Dental Screening
- Jungle Sport – big success
- Friday Freezies: April and May
 - Portions to support Graduation
- April 26: Dance Competition at Rose Theatre
- Swim to Survive: Grade 3 students participating at Cassie Campbell
- June 9: Kindergarten celebration of Learning
- June 21: Graduation @ 6:00 at the Mississauga Convention Centre

Wed. April 26

- The 2023-2024 Public Budget Consultation Webcast is Wednesday, April 26, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The webcast offers an opportunity to share important financial information with the Dufferin Peel communities and provide an opportunity for questions to be addressed.

CCCSC

Thursday, April 27

- Virtual parent engagement event on **Human Trafficking**
- Thursday, April 27th at 6:30 pm on Zoom for all to attend
- Interested attendees have been requested to pre-register using the link, and may submit questions ahead of time for presenters to address

Zoom Presentation Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/99426809888?pwd=YjV5amdtVWtRRmRpL0wzd2hlZWY5UT09>

- Passcode: DskLd7

EQAO: begins May 10

Coaching:

- Intermediate basketball currently running
- Ball Hockey April 13, one day event
 - Merici placed 3rd

Coming up in May/June:

Softball

Soccer

Track and Field

Chess Tournament:

March 24 (jr/int)

PALS Program – up and running Tuesday and Friday

2023-2024

- a. Enrollment drop projection 343
 - i. 250 English
 - ii. 93 FI
- b. All combined grades except FI which all straight grades, only 1 – Grade 1 FI class
- c. Allocations:
 1. No changes
 - a. 16 classes (plus SERC)
 - b. Library 0.4
 - c. ESL 0.3
 - d. FSL 1.0
 - e. PTFR 0.8
 2. Decreases:
 - a. SERT from 1.7 to 1.2
 - b. PT from 1.6 to 1.5

Upcoming Events/Dates:

April 17-22 -Earth Spirit Week

April 22 - Earth Day (Merici to celebrate April 21)

April 24 - Reconciliation for Confirmandi at GAP

Saidat Show (School Wide event)

April 30 – May 5 - Catholic Education Week: We are Many, We are One

Wed. May 3 - Journey Into Learning

May 6 - First Communion at GAP

May 9 - Earth Rangers Presentation Gr 1-6

May 15 - Confirmation (Grade 7) at GAP

MTC event in PM

Mon. May 22 - Victoria Day

Wed. May 24 - Domino's Pizza Fundraiser

June 16 - School Mass at Guardian Angels Parish

Wed. June 21 - Grade 8 Graduation

Fri. June 30 - Last day of School

Treasurer Report (Ms. Taria Rossi)

- The following allocations were approved by: Julia Rivero, Joseph F, Mrs. Brant, Christina Calabrese and Taria Rossi:
 1. Tech \$9300
 2. Sound System \$3000
 3. Pretzels \$850
 4. Guest Speaker \$1000
 5. Play Day (Freezies) \$150
 6. Grad Add \$400
- The following expenditure was approved by Ms. Brant, Julia Rivero, Joseph F, Christina Calabrese and Taria Rossi.
 1. Buses to Church \$1000
- Estimated balance roll over to following year: \$1100.

Fundraising (Ms. Christina Calabrese)

- Mrs. Benedik to send a reminder email out Apr 14 to remind everyone to book their last Pizza session for May and June

Other Items

- Christina to send the timing of Miguel arriving so Mrs. Lindardic to share and coordinate with staff.

Next Meeting

- Next meeting scheduled for May 18, hybrid

Conclusion

- Christina Calabrese thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Meeting adjourned 7:14pm