ST. ANGELA MERICI CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes, 2021-2022 School Year

Thursday, April 7th, 2022 – 6:30PM | Location Zoom/video call Meeting called to order by C. Calabrese

In Attendance

- Mrs. D. Linardic (Principal), Mrs. M. Vitale (Vice-Principal), C. Calabrese (Chair), T. Rossi (Treasurer), A. Bruney-Francis (Secretary), N. Edwards (Parent/Community Rep.), V. Frantellizzi (Parent/Community Rep.), C. Ferrari (Teaching Staff Rep.), A. Ghoura (O.A.P.C.E. Rep), A. Adeniyi (Parent/Community Rep.), Y. Annobil (Parent/Community Rep.)
- A. Baltazar (parent member), I. Pingyin (parent member)

Regrets

- Mrs. Benedik (Non-Teaching Staff Rep.), A. Valente (Parish Rep.), R. Ukwuoma (Parent/Community Rep.)
- S. Birnie (parent member), G. Lee-Chung (parent member), C. Vigneault (parent member), L. DeLeo (parent member)
- Y. Dew-Keys (community member), T. Fash (community member), R. Thompson (community member), Yetty (community member), R. Adegboye (community member)

Welcome Address (C. Calabrese)

C. Calabrese began the meeting at 6:32pm & welcomed everyone

Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement (C. Calabrese)

 C. Calabrese & her daughters delivered the Land Acknowledgement to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for their stewardship of their land, & led everyone in prayer

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (C. Calabrese)

- Minutes from the last meeting, Feb. 3rd, 2022, were emailed prior to this meeting for review. Floor was open for any questions; no questions posed.
- Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, approved by T. Rossi & V. Frantellizzi

Treasurer Report (T. Rossi)

- report sent out was as for upto & including January 2022.
- still have to confirm allocations can be released
- rosary bracelets completed & will be brought in next week to be arranged to be blessed
- allocation of spirit wear tshirts slightly higher: \$3623 from previously estimated \$3350

O.A.P.C.E. Update (C. Calabrese)

- reminder that all parent engagements for 2020→2022 are recorded & still available online for viewing
- CCCSC has a meeting April 7th (tonight) which is open to parents to phone and listen in, which will include a
 presentation about anti-human trafficking.

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

FAITH

Eco

- March World Water Week were activities all week
- April 19-22 Earth Week daily activities
 - Lights out Day
 - Walk/roll to school Day
 - Zero waste Day
 - Celebrate Earth Day
 - Daily announcements Fun Facts
 - Earth Day Poster and Art Contest
- Region of Peel Pilot Program
 - Collecting of Green Bin/Composte in each classroom
 - o ECO club beginning

Lent

- Food drive for Knights table March 28- April 8
- Shrove Tuesday (why we eat pancakes) /Ash Wednesday (liturgy)
- Lenten retreat school wide
- Holy Week:
 - Stations of the cross
 - Pretzels for each student
 - ShareLife campaign selling Freezies

Sacraments

- First Communion/Confirmation happening at the church
 - o Grade 7 Reconciliation: May 9 @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish
 - Confirmation: May 18 @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish
 - First Communion: May 28 @ 11:00 am at Guardian Angels Parish
 - Grade 2 First Reconciliation @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish
- Next Mass
 - June 22 @10:00 am via livestream
- Graduation
 - o June 23, in person at the Mississauga Convention Centre

Catholic Education Week May 1-6

- o Gr 7 Confirmation retreat to Sara Elizabeth Centre, in person
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Journey Into Learning May 5: Information night for families new to K for September

MERICI EVENTS:

- Intermediate classes received an Experiential Learning Grant making cars
- GORDON Shadrach artist presented March 23 focus on art and representation
- Recess and other routines returning to pre-pandemic routines

Student Achievement:

- Projections 365 students for 2022-2023
- Reduction in staff- 7 teachers
- EQAO.. is happening this year, to be used as a baseline going forward
 - o Dates TBD
- Tutoring
 - Ministry funded project re: tutoring offered, April June for 6 weeks

Equity

 BW Elementary Equity Conference (virtual) for grade 7 & 8 students (6/7 class invited as well) Wednesday April 20th, 2022

Community Events:

- Olympic Committee activities and lunch hour dance Feb 11
- Graduation plans: event at MCC June 23
 - Grad Photos: May 2
- Carnaval spirit week: Feb 14-17
- ICE DAWGS: once per month for April, May, June to be pre-ordered
- Snack Shack: starting up again in April

Coaching:

Intermediate basketball currently running,

- No board tournament, having mini tournament
- o Begins week of April 19

Will be Softball and Track and Field in spring

Re-Organization February 22

- No re-organization necessary
- 7 students changes mode of learning
- Mme Deveaux- Matthews new position working in Equity department at the board office
 - Interviewed for the position

BUDGET:

- Purchasing for:
 - makerspace
 - More chromebooks for the school
 - Sensory path
 - o Phys ed equipment

T-Shirts: update

- o Hope for the Future Event: all made art to convey a message, chose art for T-shirts
- o Price higher than previously approved final bill 3,623.06
- Delivery expected beginning of May
- Once arrive, will decide on a day for school spirit to all wear tie in with Equity and Eco learning about Hope for the Future

Upcoming Events:

April 10-16

Holy Week

April 15, 2022

Good Friday - No school for students

April 18, 2022

Easter Monday - No school for students

April 21, 2022

Grade 2 First Reconciliation @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish

May 1-6

Catholic Education Week: Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together

May 2, 2022 (revised date)

GRAD PHOTOS

May 9, 2022

Grade 7 Reconciliation @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish

May 11, 2022

Domino's Pizza Fundraiser: Catholic School Council

May 18, 2022

Confirmation @ 7:00 pm at Guardian Angels Parish

May 23, 2022

Victoria Day - No school for students

May 28, 2022

First Communion @ 11:00 am at Guardian Angels Parish

June 22, 2022

Virtual Year End/Graduation Mass @ 10:00 am

June 23, 2022

Graduation Ceremony

Parish Update

• Parish will be holding a fundraiser on May 15th. After the 9am & the 10:30am masses, they will be selling pancakes, coffee and hot chocolate. After the 12pm mass they will be selling hotdogs.

Fundraising Update

- FlipGive: so far raised \$124 this year
- Dominos pizza: so far raised \$275. Next pizza fundraiser will be May 11th
- BigBoxCards fundraiser:
 - \$500 worth of prizes donated by 'Norm Benn Training Centre Inc.'
 - since didn't sell min boxes needed inorder for BigBoxCards to donate prizes; therefore council had to pitch in for prizes
 - o after all was calculated, still profited approx. \$1548
- Pizza lunches are back; starting within next week or two
 - cost has increased from \$9 a box to now \$10 a box
 - taking into account surcharge from SchoolCashOnline
 - Council members in favour of keeping price at \$2-per slice: T. Rossi, A. Brunei-Francis, V. Frantellizzi, Y. Annobil, A. Adeniyi, N. Edwards
 - Mrs. Linardic posed we need to work out logistics since school changed lunch recess which means teachers are not in room to help distribute to students
 - o Pizza lunches memo to be sent out announcing the program will run April 26th → Tues. June 28th.
 - o A. Baltazar volunteered to help out every Tues., with A. Ghoura & T. Rossi volunteering when available
 - C. Calabrese asked
 - about this time around offering cheese AND pepperoni, or cheese only, or alternating weeks/months.

- Council members in favour of offering both: V. Frantellizzi, Y. Annobil, A. Ghoura, T. Rossi, C. Calabrese, A. Baltazar, A. Adeniyi, N. Edwards
- T. Rossi advised if we want to do 'LunchBox' program starting Sept./Oct. 2022-2023 school year, we should start process of setup now/soon.
- Mrs. Linardic confirmed C. Calabrese question of when can parents start bringing lunches again.
- V. Frantellizzi suggested supplying bag of games for each class (chalk, soft ball, etc.) for more options for recess.
 - o T. Rossi we did a couple years ago including board games, but everything got lost within a few weeks
 - Mrs. Linardic if we needd to purchase items, we have to go through Board approved site/buyer
 - o Mrs. Linardic currently we did give each class a bin of stuff
- A. Ghoura what are plans for future meetings? Can we do inperson or a hybrid
 - o T. rossi, N. Edwards, Y. Annobil, A. Ghoura, V. Frantellizzi in favour of continuing virtual for last mtg & in new school year revisit & vote on those future mtgs

Other Items

- C. Calabrese stemming from an idea brought up at the last School Council mtg to honour teachers with a hot lunch. On March 11th a FREE hot lunch was provided to the teachers; donated by 'Mark Harris from Harris Does Homes', a local real estate agent
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Next Meeting

- Next/last School Council mtg dates:
 - o Thurs. May 26th, 2022
- All meetings are scheduled to be held virtually, until we get closer to that date & know more about any restrictions being lifted due to COVID safety. When held virtually, a link will be sent out by the School Council Chair within a few days before that scheduled meeting date.

Conclusion

- C. Calabrese thanked everyone for joining tonight's meeting.
- Meeting adjourned 7:42pm