

Georges Vanier Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday May 13, 2024

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*Staff:* Daniel Birkenbergs

*Present:* Nicole Colp, Alexis Commander, Donna Sisneth, Marcello Farrace, Sonia Mastrantoni, Gillian Fraites

*Regrets :* Julie Esposito, Sandra Salvino, Michael Burns, Andrea Payne, Rime Boulos

**Approval of Agenda**

1st Alexis Commander

2nd Marcello Farrace

**Approval of February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Minutes**

1st Alexis Commander

2nd Donna Sisneth

**Fence Update:**

- The fence around the outdoor classroom is not installed. The vendor that we previously got a price from is no longer a vendor. A new vendor was found but they gave a different price. Mr. Birkenbergs had spoken to the board and because they already agreed on a price, the board will pay the difference. Council to pay \$1500.

**Chairs Report:**

- No update provided

**Treasurer's Report:**

- We still have the money ear marked for the fencing
- Not all the money from the Roses fundraiser was deposited into the account.
- Balance as of May 13, 2024, is \$5015.66

**Principal's Report:**

- A. DPCDSCB Standardization of Catholic School Councils
- B. EQAO
  - a. EQAO-Grade 6- May 21<sup>st</sup> to May 24<sup>th</sup> (inclusive)
  - b. EQAO-Grade 3- May 27<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> (inclusive)
- C. Liturgies/Virtues Assemblies
  - a. Sacrament of Confirmation-May 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7pm (St. John Fisher Parish)
  - b. Virtues Assembly: Fairness- May 30<sup>th</sup> @ 2:45
  - c. Sacrament of First Holy Communion- June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm (St. John Fisher Parish)
  - d. Year-end Mass- June 14<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am
- D. Catholic Community, Culture & Caring Action Team
  - a. Final Meeting- May 30<sup>th</sup> @ 3:45pm
- E. Grade 8 Graduation
  - a. Luncheon - June 25<sup>th</sup> (daytime; Mandarin Restaurant)
  - b. Ceremony - June 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm (St. Thomas Aquinas S.S.)
- F. Events Update
  - a. Rings and Rocks Program
  - b. Earth Ranger Presentation

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- c. Black Culture Celebration
  - d. MTC Life Workshop
  - e. Lenten Retreat
  - f. BRAVE Workshops (Gr. 5-8)
  - g. Swim to Survive
  - h. Intermediate Basketball
  - i. Earth Day Yard Clean-up
  - j. Rosary Apostolate Visit – April 26<sup>th</sup>
  - k. Catholic Education Week: We Are Called to Love- May 5<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>
  - l. Rosary Apostolate – Marian Celebrations – May 8<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15am (Gr. 4-8) & 10:20a. (K – Gr. 3)
  - m. Journey into Learning – May 8<sup>th</sup>
  - n. Community Engagement Event (MTC Life) & Art Show – May 8<sup>th</sup>
  - o. Catholic Education Mass – May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am
- G. Upcoming School Events
- a. Track & Field Day (Gr. 4-8) - May 15<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Victoria Day – May 20<sup>th</sup>
  - c. PPH Immunization Clinic (Gr. 7 & 8) - May 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - d. Soccer (Junior and Intermediate) - June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>
  - e. Alectra Utilities presentations – June 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - f. Family Movie Night – June 7<sup>th</sup>
  - g. P.A. Day: Assessment, Evaluation & Reporting

**Dress Code Expectations and Religious Education Curriculum**

- Reports will be attached to the minutes for both Dress Code and Religious Education Curriculum

**Parish Report:**

- June 25<sup>th</sup> is the retirement for Father Imperial

**Action Items:**

**Roses**

- The Mother's Day Rose Fundraiser was a success and we raised \$475. Thank you to Sonia for purchasing the roses and donating them to the Parent Council fundraiser.

**Play Day**

- Parent Council to provide ice dogs for play day  
✓ **All approved**

**Family Movie Night**

- The event is free to all families where they can watch the movie Migration on the outdoor screen. The screen will be paid for by past school fundraisers. Cash online will be set up for this event where families can pre order pizza. The school will also be selling popcorn. Council would like to provide some snacks for the kids such as water, juice boxes and ice cream sandwiches. Our budget is \$500.  
✓ **Approved**

**Next Meeting**

- All agreed to move the next meeting to June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm

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**OAPCE:**

**Staff Report:**

**Next Meeting Dates:**

- June 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Adjournment:**

- Moved by Donna Sisneth and seconded by Gillian Fraites to adjourn. Approved.