

Georges Vanier Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday February 7th, 2022

Staff: Cathy Pickering, Julie Esposito, Shawn Xaviour

Present: Sandra Salvino, Nicole Colp, Mara Schiavello, Donna Sisneth, Andrea Payne, Sonia Mastrantoni, Marcello Farrace

Regrets : Amanda Kelba

Approval of Minutes:

- Moved by Andrea Payne and seconded by Mara Schiavello
- Minutes from December 6, 2021 approved.

Shawn Xaviour:

- Thank you to parent council
- Black History Month and please celebrate with school and families
- Extended French-public information session tomorrow at 7pm
- Board is waiting from the Ministry in regards to athletics at the school and hopefully they ease up
- Conversations going on right now in regards to graduation. Fingers crossed we are able to have a graduation as restriction ease up.
- Parent Engagement sessions starting in April and if there are any ideas, please feel to contact him

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance as of December 6, 2021 is \$1944.85

Chairs Report:

Fundraising:

Big box of Cards

- This will run from April 7-April 21
- We will need prizes but we can discuss that at the next meeting
- School cash online and should be easy.
- We will also send out a letter if parents want to opt out of the fundraiser, they still have the option of just sending a donation to the school.
- Letters will be sent out after March Break

Domino's

- Made \$120.00 even though the weather was not great. Next pizza day will be February 23rd.
- As of March 1st, pizza prices are going up from \$10 to \$11. The school will still make \$5 per pizza.
- Sandra will set the dates for the rest of the year.

Flip Give

- We have made \$60 so far.
- Buy a gift card online for different places then use that gift card at the places you have purchased it for. The school will make a small portion of that.
- You can also purchase directly through the app.

Parent Engagement Grant

- The \$500 came through and now we are looking for ideas or topics. (Ex. Bullying or online safety)
- Sandra looked into MTC Life and she was kind of confused by it and Mara didn't like them.

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- Andrea asked the OAPCE group who they have used in the past and she will send the list to Sandra.
- We will decide that meeting who to book.

Benches:

- Mrs. Pickering looked into tendered companies for the benches. There really isn't anything and so since the tendered company doesn't have anything we are able to look into another company. Sandra will look into another supplier.
- Mrs. Pickering thought the most cost effective would be the logs with the mulch around. Sandra wants something long term.
- Will look into all of the options

Parish Update:

- Registration closed for both communion and confirmation. Dates for these sacraments will be announced at a later date. All classes are on hold.
- Looking for volunteers
- Jewellery donation-thought we could donate from the hub room jewellery. All agreed that we would like to keep in within the school for the kids to purchase for Mother's Day.
- Need Ushers-kids can get volunteer hours for this

OAPCE:

- Any emails Andrea sends them out.
- Online reporting tool is being revamped
- Andrea sent some slides to Sandra who will send out at a later date.

Principal's Report:

Faith:

- Virtue of the Month: Respect, Virtual Virtue Assembly
- Rosary Apostolates
- Ash Wednesday: March 2, Lent Begins

Curriculum:

- Reports Cards emailed to student email accounts by February 15 <https://students.dpcdsb.org/>
- Virtual/phone interviews (February 17 evening & 18 day), request forms: Feb 7-11
- EQAO: dates forthcoming (Grades 3 & 6)
- Outdoor Education Grant

Board:

- Financial Responsibility—SGF/money counted by two people/Funds Received Envelope/Log/Safe/Deposit slip/cash box when collecting money
- Health and Safety Protocols
- COVID Screening Tool: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>
- Covid Reporting to Class, Community and Ministry of Health
- Student Health Pass Forms
- Rapid Antigen Test Kits
- School-Based Vaccination Clinics
- Parent Engagement Funding-\$500.00
- Community Bulletin: Change of Learning Modes until June 30 effective February 22
- PA Day-Friday, February 18
- Catholic Board Improvement Learning Cycle 2020-2021 Year in Review, board website

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Other:

- Welcome to our new Custodians: Anita and Ryan
- Nutrition Bins
- Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays-bins
- Equity-Julie—we continue to review and set goals around equity and inclusion.
- Black History Month
- Picture Day: retakes March 31st and Grad photos
- Sports-on hold
- Spirit Week: February 14-17 /Olympics
- Reorganization: February 22
- Scholastic Book Fair-February 14-25
- Kindergarten Registration-steady stream of new registrations
- Family Day: Monday, February 21

Teacher's Report:

- School activity on respect. Students will be making their own text message on a template of a cell phone and they will be displayed.
- Black history month-board has provided many resources for the teachers to use

Other Business:

Meetings:

April 4, 2022	6pm
May 9, 2022	6pm
June 13, 2022	6pm

Adjournment:

- Moved by Sandra Salvino and seconded by Donna Sisneth to adjourn. Approved.