

Georges Vanier Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday December 6th, 2021

Staff: Cathy Pickering,

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

Regrets : Amanda Kelba, Julie Esposito

Approval of Minutes:

- Moved by Donna Sisneth and seconded by Mara Schiavello
- Minutes from November 4, 2021 approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance as of December 6, 2021 is \$2029.12

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 another meeting

School cash online and should be easy. Only 2 choices so it should be easy. We make \$11 minus 2% for cash online. Delivery will have to be offsite and will only take a few days.

-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.

Chair Training

-Repeat of last year

Domino's

-Made \$195 which is great. No pizza day in December

Parent Engagement Grant

-The \$500 came through and now we are looking for ideas or topics. (Ex. Bullying)

-One speaker Mrs. Pickering suggested was MTC Life-mentoring training and coaching and is very popular and many people are booking him.

Christmas Cookies

-Cookie treats for all students. Terra Cotta has their vanilla snowman cookies available and will order enough for the virtual kids as well. We would need about 5 cases and the cost would be about \$234. We would need to send out a letter in case someone wants to opt out as a list of ingredients would be posted in the office.

Parish Update:

-2022 envelopes are ready for pick up in church

-First Communion and Confirmation-all dates are available in the church bulletin and on the bulletin board at the school

-No confession has been scheduled at the school.

OAPCE:

-Any emails Andrea sends them to Sandra and Sandra sends them out.

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-Catholic school system in Ontario and it is always at risk

Principal's Report:

- Enrollment is very low everywhere.
- Information regarding rapid tests being sent home with the kids will follow
- Survey will come out in January to possibly change learning mode, and depending on enrollment, it might result in reorganization for in person students. We should know by the end of January.
- Gravel in ditches-huge dumping of gravel to correct the big dips in the ground.
- Prices for benches-outdoor classrooms are very popular. The person did not get back to Mrs. Pickering so if there is something specific, let her know and Mrs. Pickering will reach out to the buyer.

Faith:

- Virtue of the Month: Hope, Virtual Virtue Assembly
- Advent Mass-Dec 1; Virtue activities linked with wellness
- Rosary Apostolates
- YFA: Advent Wreaths, Hat, Mitten, Sock Drive, Advent Angels
- Sharelife: Card Club creating Christmas Cards-available next week: 2 for \$2.00 (School Cash Online, or exact cash)

Curriculum:

- Scientists in School-virtual live sessions and bag of items for experiment
- Teacher Candidates finish on Dec 14 -Co-op Students (Aquinas and Holy Name)currently

Board:

- Financial Responsibility—SGF/money counted by two people/Funds Received Envelope/Log/Safe/Deposit slip/cash box when collecting money; original receipts when being reimbursed
- Health and Safety Protocols
- COVID Screening Tool: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>-if a student has symptoms, then the sibling goes home as well, if class closed/dismiss, siblings stay home>students learn remotely only in the situation-letters go home
- Parent Engagement Funding-\$500.00
- Community Bulletin:

Change of Learning Modes-more information coming January 3rd

Other:

- Lockdown Drill-Dec 3
- Nutrition Bins-Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays-bins
- Equity
- Picture Day: Photo orders due to school Dec 14; retakes and Grad photos: March 31st
- Intermediate Volleyball- games in new year
- Clubs: coding, card, craft
- Spirit Week and Ping Pong-Dec 13-17
- Advent Celebration on Google Meet
- Poster Contests: Keep Christ in Christmas and Sharelife
- Scholastic Book Fair-February 14-25
- Kindergarten Registration-Dec 7 online; registration drive January 10-14
- Christmas Break: Dec 20-31; return January 3rd

Teacher's Report:

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Other Business:

Flip Give

-Buy things through Flip Give and a percentage will go to the school. This could be another way we can fundraise and generate money. Sandra will try and get more information for everyone and she can set it up.

Kindergarten bags

We have 12 Kindergarten bags left so we may not have to purchase as much as we thought.

Meetings:

February 7, 2022	6pm
April 4, 2022	6pm
May 9, 2022	6pm
June 13, 2022	6pm

Adjournment:

- Moved by Sandra Salvino and seconded by Andrea Payne to adjourn. Approved.