

Georges Vanier Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday November 8th, 2021

Staff: Cathy Pickering, Julie Esposito
Present: Sandra Salvino, Mara Schiavello, Donna Sisneth, Sonia Mastrantoni, Marcello Farrace, Andrea Payne
Regrets: Nicole Colp

Approval of Minutes:

- Council email address added to these minutes: gvcatholiccouncil@gmail.com
- Moved by Mara Schiavello and seconded by Andrea Payne
- Minutes from Nov 8th, 2021 approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance as of November 4, 2021 is \$1815.62
- Domino's pizza was not included in this total
- \$500 (Gr. 8 Grad and \$200 Kinder Bags) in committed column

Chairs Report:

Fundraising Updates: So as per the meeting I attended where our super intendant was heading, only essential staff is allowed in the school. So any fundraising is encouraged to have an online component. McMillians will sort our orders but they do not have an online website for ordering. We would have to set up Cash Online. However we would lose an additional 2% of sales because of it. Also Mrs. Fay would need to set it all up and that is time consuming. We would only make 33% on the sales.

If we want to go ahead with them, I suggest the new year so that we can have our delivery booked for just before Easter. This way it gives Mrs. Fay time to set up Cash Online.

Sonia forwarded me a fundraising company called Big Box of Cards. Card boxes are \$33 to purchase and we make \$11 off each box. They are now booking spring fundraisers. I've sent the link in your emails. *Sandra will look into Big Box of Cards for fundraising. Mrs. Pickering asked if Family Day long weekend could be included in fundraising weeks.*

Domino's: Domino's was a great success thank you to all of you who ordered pizza and passed the info on to family and friends. We raised \$270 for our first pizza day of the year. Our next one is Nov 24th!

Georges Vanier Portrait: 8pt cardstock \$35.00 plus HST, 16pt cardstock \$50 plus HST. Frame was donated by school. *\$50.00 plus HST approved at this meeting*

Marketplace Items: Mrs. Pickering took an inventory for us. I attached the list in the email I sent out yesterday. Again, if we need to do this through School Cash Online whatever we sell we will lose 2%. Unless regulations are lifted next year or the staff is willing to help us out. I think we wait so that we can make the most of what we have.

Mrs. Esposito asked if items could be donated to be used in the school and everyone agreed this was a great idea

CCCSC: As I mentioned I attended the CCCSC meeting for our family of schools. Our local reps were elected. Not much else happened besides the mention of fundraising briefly and as well as ordering supplies through the school board. There is a chairs training session on Nov 25th and normally more information is shared at this meeting. Also please note that you are able to attend the training if you are new to your role. You can also attend just to get any additional information or ask questions about your role as well.

Bulletin Board was created in October and Updates will be going up this week!

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School Yard: The gravel in the back yard has really big divots and holes. Is there anything that the school can do to fix it? I pick the kids up every day and I have heard multiple parents complain about it. There are small ditches and divots everywhere that are tripping hazards. What can be done?

Parish Update:

-Grade 4's who hadn't had their communion just celebrated their sacrament in October. Congratulations to them for receiving their sacrament.

-The Church's Boiler broke, flooded the basement and damaged the furnace. Repair/Replacement cost is \$46,000, they will use half the money from the building fund and have a new debt of \$23,000.00. If you can give a donation to help the church all donations are greatly appreciated.

The 42nd Annual Cardinals Dinner - A virtual evening is Nov 7th at 7:00pm. This raises money for the Cardinal's personal charities for the less fortunate in our community.

Lector's are needed at all masses and especially the 12pm Sunday mass if you are interested please contact the church.

Catholic Women's League is having an Outdoor Christmas Market on Saturday November 20th between 10am-2pm. If you are free please attend and support a great cause.

Fresh Fudge Fundraiser is happening Makes a great Christmas gift orders must be received by Nov 22nd and will be available to pick up on or after Dec 11th. Lots of flavours, see bulletin for details!

Saints Contest is running for all students in Grades 1through 8. A template is available on the churches website. One winner from each grade will be chosen. Contest will run from Nov 1st to the 15th.

Sandra will make be putting some of these events on the schools bulletin board as well so that we can spread the word to our school community.

OAPCE:

- First meeting was in October, definition of what an OAPCE rep does and what OAPCE is. All emails for OAPCE presentations Andrea receives she will forward to Sandra and Sandra will send to council.

Principal Report:

-Virtue of the Month: Conscience, Virtual Virtue Assembly -November-Conscience Hosted by Ms. Iannizzi's class

-All Saints/All Souls Liturgy hosted by Ms. Pizzani's class, Remembrance Day Liturgy Hosted by Ms. Baltazar's class

-Rosary Apostolates – Nov 25th on zoom/google meet. All children have a rosary with their names on it

-Candy Drive-Dr. Simone until Nov 11

-Pastoral Plan TBA Communion and Confirmation dates. Priests allowed into school if they follow covid protocol

-Virtual assemblies with liturgy imbedded and will try to have a virtual mass.

-YFA: Remembrance Wreaths, Sharelife, Advent

-Bullying Prevention Week

-Equity Curriculum: -CCAT-Grade 4– Sent out for marking, awaiting results

-School Goals

-Progress Reports emailed to student email-November 16, Phone Interviews-November 18

-Scientists in School-all classes including virtual classes will have virtual live sessions and bag of items for experiment

-4 Teacher Candidates from Lakehead University in Dec

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- Co-op Students from Holy Name of Mary and St. Thomas Aquinas (3 students)
- 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
- CSC Training—November 25th@7:30pm
- CCCSC Parent Engagement Night-November 25@6:30pm-Dr. A. Jamieson: Catholic Education
- Superintendent second visit to school
- PA Day-November 12
- ECO-bulb planting (100 tulips planted & pollinator bulbs to be planted in spring)
- Nutrition Bins
- Saidat-Live Virtual Presentations: Social Responsibility (K-Grade 3 slides and activities-Grade 8)
- Mrs. Cornacchia will be buying books that represent all the students in the school
- Picture Day: Monday, November 22-individual photos only, no class photos, Edge Imaging taking pictures
- Graduation Composite from last year now hanging in school
- Intermediate Volleyball
- Clubs
- Spirit Wear
- Bus Cancellations: Zone #2-if busses are cancelled in our zone, students stay home
- Library closed for 2 days for inventory
- Eco-team looking forward to outdoor classrooms
- Logs for outdoor classrooms – *council looking at more of a bench idea so that they will last longer*

Teachers Report:

- Faith Ambassadors allowed to meet again, each class received a wreath to decorate for Remembrance Day. Wreaths will be displayed in foyer of school.
- Nov 22-26 Bully Prevention Week
- December- advent wreaths, Christmas decorations, mitten tree
- Equity workshops: collect resources, opened a GV tab so that all teachers can access information

Meetings:

December 6, 2021	6pm
February 7, 2022	6pm
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.