

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Elementary School

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Be kind to one another. Ephesians 4:32

Catholic School Council Unapproved Meeting Minutes Thursday October 5, 2023, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, 6:30pm

In Attendance

Rob Scicluna, Principal

Marc Le Brun, Teacher Representative

Guests:

Kim Romany Joel Moody H.M. Cindy De Lio Keri Fernandes

Meeting commenced at 6:33 pm

Approval of April 2023 Meeting Minutes

Joel Moody 1st, Keri Fernandes 2nd

Appointments & Acclamations of Chairperson for 2023/2024 CSC

Appoint/Acclaim Chairperson for 2023/2024 – Kim Romany

Appointments & Acclamations for 2022/2023 CSC

- Treasurer Joel Moody
- Secretary Cindy De Lio
- Volunteer Coordinator Keri Fernandes
- Community Representative H.M.
- OAPCE Kim Romany
- Parish Representative vacant
- Fundraising Representative vacant

Approval of Agenda

Cindy De Lio 1st, Keri Fernandes 2nd

Set Catholic School Council Meeting Dates for 2023/2024

- Thursday November 30, 2023 @ 6:30 pm
- Thursday February 1, 2024 @ 6:30 pm
- Thursday April 4, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

School Lunch Program

- > Continue with Pizza Nova lunch program.
- > Kim will further look into Lunchbox Orders.
- Keri will reach out to volunteers regarding availability.

Fundraising

- > CSC discussed a popcorn fundraiser.
- > Cindy will further look into a Christmas poinsettia fundraiser.

Dufferin-Peel
Catholic District
School Board

> CSC is considering a freebie family movie night for the community.

Halloween

> Council to discuss within.

Treasurer

> Closing balance = \$37,090.82

Principal's Report - R. Scicluna

See attached.

Adjournment at 8:33pm



Principal's Report - Oct 5, 2023

Re-Organization

- We had to re-organize the school: effects
- Over 30 students moved to new classes, three straight classes became combined classes.
- Kept the same number of classrooms, just redistributed to keep with board mandated caps. For example – in order to keep primary classes capped at 20 (move 6 students)- we had to change three straight classes 3, 4 and 5 to 3/4, 4/5, and a 5/6.
- Student population 460 students
- We have 18 classrooms, plus two SERC and NM/NS
- o Created a second SERC classroom (1.8 points in Spec Ed, took .5 points)

Beginning of school year assembly

 Had it on the Friday of the first week, and it was sent to parents via SchoolMessenger

Timetable:

o Slight change

Meet the Teacher (Ice Cream)

o Thursday, Sept. 28

Faith

- o Opening of the Year school Mass (Wednesday, October 11)
- Sacraments: First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation emails sent to Gr. 2 and 7 parents from the school/church.
- Virtue Assemblies monthly with the entire school.
- Virtue Award Slips and Display Case
- Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations Medals /Display

Kinder Yard

- Will be getting a new sand box (October)
- New turf later in the year

Outdoor Learning Centre

\$11, 236 (Gave the go ahead, looking for CSC support)

Shuttering:

- We shuttered seven classrooms this year. This is a board initiative to save on Energy costs. Happens as the school is shrinking.
- o Floor Plan

Progress Report Card

- o Tuesday, November 7, 2023
- Thursday, November 9, 2023 (evening-as needed)
- o Email with link will be sent home

Assorted:

- o Orange Shirt Day (Assembly Sept. 29)
- o Terry Fox (Monday, Oct. 2)
- o Gr. 8 Servant Leadership Retreat (subsidize) \$3 a kid
- o Gr. 2 Rosary Buddies
- o Cricket (coming to school 7/8)
- o Peel Village
- o Conflict Resolution (WITS, I Messages, 4 Part Apology, and THINK)
- o Photo Day Thursday, October 12
- Gingerbread and Kris Kringle (Dec 7 or 14).
 Santa could be here all day and at night for Photographs.
- o Spirit Wear something we can look at next year. Any interest.
- o Emergency Procedures we will have/had three Fire Drills and one Lockdown drill.
- Communication continue with Newsletter via Smore and use of School Messenger (call, email and TEXT)
- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Athletics:
 - Cross Country and Volleyball
 - o **Pods** over regular season games

Budget:

- Money for things agreed to purchasing last year (\$10k computers, OCGSE Medals \$900, and \$800 Scoreboard) = \$11, 700.
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