

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Elementary School

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Catholic School Council Unapproved Meeting Minutes Monday February 6, 2023, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, 6:30pm

In Attendance

Rob Scicluna, Principal Marc Le Brun, Teacher Representative Kim Romany, Chairperson Joel Moody, Treasurer Susan Oh, Parent Representative Natalie Laporte, Vice Principal Karen Rose, Non-Teacher Representative Cindy De Lio, Secretary Keri Fernandes, Volunteer Co-ordinator

Guests

Angela Lynotzis (Toppi) Joyce Mah Ghadah Ghanim A.M. Ivana Perej Ida Wong

Meeting commenced at 6:32 pm

Approval of Agenda

Cindy De Lio 1st, Susan Oh 2nd

Approval of November 2022 Meeting Minutes

Susan Oh 1st, Joel Moody 2nd

Chairperson Update - K. Romany

- Lunch Programs
 - Pizza Session 1 is near completion. Session 1 has been well received and well supported. Thanks to many parent volunteers.
 - ➤ Pizza Session 2 will run from February 24 to April 28. There will be a change to the lunch hour for that day only. Lunch first then recess; pizza will be hotter and be delivered faster. Due to Lent cheese pizza will only be served.
 - Pizza Session 3 will run from May 5 June 3.
- Valentine's Dance
 - > DJ John has been booked. Council will distribute a heart shaped cookie to all students who have handed in their permission form.
 - We remain within the budget of \$700.
 - Just a reminder that the dance is only for students.
- Shrove Tuesday
 - We will be offering approximately 500 pancakes to students and staff.
 - We remain within the budget of \$300. Planning on starting at 8:30 am and hoping to have students served by noon.

Principal's Report - R. Scicluna

- Introduction and thank you to parents.
- Created a new crest and sports logo.
- School motto be kind to one another.
- Removed all covid signs throughout the school. The goal is to bring normalcy back to the kids.
- Announcements are now over the PA system with the help of students.
- Virtue award slips are given to staff, if they catch a student doing something good, the teacher fills it out gives it to the student, who brings it to the office and gets praised right away.
- We have started a Medal program based on the 7 Catholic Graduate School Expectations. We
 want to make sure they mean something and instill in them amongst the students with
 understanding. A medal will be given to a student every month in each classroom.
- Silent mentoring students who need more attention. Focus and make connections with students.
- Online Reporting Tool the online reporting tool is now available board-wide and has proven
 useful. It can be found on every school website and is intended for Dufferin-Peel students to
 report bullying incidents and negative behaviours impacting the school community.
- We have implemented bathroom signs with positive and affirmation messages.
- The outdoor space will be getting 2 more basketball nets.
- Class pictures will now be replaced with class composite pictures. The same will be for the grade 8 graduation, the composite will be given to each student as a gift.
- Ash Wednesday liturgy will be held in the gym, waiting to hear back from the church where ashes will be delivered.
- Sports League Pod Tournament will take place instead of league play, and teams will play one day during the week. Parents are not involved. More volunteers are available to coach because of this new format.
- February 14 report cards will be distributed. February 17 teacher-parent interviews. Interview request is now an online format.
- Grade 8 Graduation will be more cost efficient. The ceremony and reception will take place on one night, from 5pm to 10pm. More details to come.
- Rob Scicluna to look into the request for more outdoor space for students.

Treasurer Report - J. Moody

- Bank balance is \$21,611.64 as of Dec. 31/22
- Need to find savings in the current budget. Re-evaluate the budget and examine school needs.

Volunteer Co-ordinator Report – K. Fernandes

- Pizza Session 1 had a good number of volunteers. A bit challenging at times, many volunteers are full time working parents.
- Keri to reach out to volunteers for help distributing cookies on Valentine's Day.
- We require approximately 10 volunteers for Shrove Tuesday.

OPACE Report – K. Romany

- March 29 Conference Teresa Harnett God's Design for Us
- April 22 Conference Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Miguel Martinez, Theresa Kennedy Deepening our Faith as Engaged Parents
- May 25 Annual volunteer celebration and school year wrap up.

Teacher Rep. Update - M. Le Brun

Nothing to report.

Non-teacher Rep. Report – K. Rose

Nothing to report.

Other Items & Adjournment

- None
- Adjournment at 7:33pm

Next Meeting April 24, 2023 @ 6:30pm