

St. John Bosco Catholic School Council - Minutes

Meeting Date: November 15, 2023 | 6:00

In Attendance

Cindy Young, Ida Bellizzi, Michelle Joseph, Isabel Biasini, Tania Da Costa, Tobi Guyer, Ashley Callaghan, Brittney Wilson, Kerrie-Ann Gunn, Sharmila Alwin, Paula Lima, M. Demetiou, Sandra Caputo, Janette Bautista

Opening Prayer / Closing Prayer

Opening and Closing Prayers – Ashley and Brittney
Land Acknowledgement – Ms. Young

Minutes Approved

Minutes Approved by Isabel and Michelle for October 11, 2023

Principal Update

- City of Brampton approved painting in the school yard
 - HPV clinic completed in October, a second clinic will be held in the spring
 - Father Roger and Youth Minister visited October 23, a great connection between the school and the parish. The Youth Minister worked with the younger students.
 - Picture Day was held on October 24th, Class photos were taken.
 - Halloween dance went great! All the teachers and students were happy.
 - November 1- the grade 8 students visited St. Thomas Aquinas for their art program
 - November 3- The Bishop had a visit at the school
 - November 7- Science Jam for the Grade 6-8 classes - It was done through Science Center
 - November 8- Virtual Camp Muskoka information night. 50 students need to sign up to keep the cost down. Number of students still need to be determined. There will be no cell phones allowed for this trip. It takes place from June 3-5
 - November 10- Remembrance Day celebration in the gym
 - November 14- Progress Reports sent home
 - November 16- Parent teacher interview night
 - November 23- Picture re-take in the afternoon only
 - November 24- PD Day
 - November 27- December 1- Book Fair – Information to be sent out soon
 - December 13- Electra Presentation – Talk about electricity
 - December 14- Advent Mass at 9:30
 - December 15- Christmas Night
 - December 22- Last Day of school for Christmas Holidays- Return to School January 8
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Financials

- A handout is given with the plan for the year, and where money is allocated, and which account money is being taken from
- Accounts within the school
- Board Account
- School Generated – Fundraiser, community, parents, school
- School Council

Parish Update

- Bulletin brought in and will be kept at the front desk with Ms. Barbe
- Christmas schedule sent out – Mass, and activities
- Edge Night- November 17 for Grades 6-8

School Clubs

- **Coding Club** – Students from the gifted program Grade 5/6 brought a proposal to start this, need to find a teacher to run the club
- **Chess Club**- Starting soon, in December intermediate students, and juniors starting soon
- **Intermediate Volleyball** – started already
- **Eco Club** – (With Ms. Straw) – Want to do a fair in January
- **Crochet Club** – Tania
- **Art Club**- Need to find a teacher to agree -Paula, Michelle, Melissa, Tobi, M. – Have a meeting in terms of what we are going to do (outside of school) – Look at supplies, and figure out a budget

Treasurers Update

- Parent engagement fund \$500 deposited Septepber 27
- In our account we have \$2521.86
- Pending Pizza Lunches for 3 winning classes for Halloween Pumpkin competition will bring the total to \$2375.86
- Halloween budget was \$450 and we spent \$241.13
- Subway Lunch- Take place every Monday – Payment is now open until June. Making less than \$1 per sub. The order for this is done every week and due by Wednesday. Isabel takes the orders in every Friday.
- Some confusion for the Monday after holidays for Sub days, Isabel will look into it.
- Sold 80 subs on Monday November 13

Upcoming Events

- **Christmas evening (December 15)**
- Santa paid for by school \$500
- \$200 for photos
- \$600 for decorations and activities, etc. Voted and approved by all.
- **Bosco Parent Engagement Night**
- \$500 to work with

- Talk more about this in January
- **Spring Market**
- Talk more in January

Other Business

- **OAPCE (Paula)** – Connection of the parents to the board- A way to get your voice heard to the board. Goes to the chair, and presented at these meetings.
10 Parents to sign up for the newsletter and emails and blog that they have
They have a Facebook Group and they send out information
Conference for parents on April 12-13 – Local in Mississauga
151 schools 148 schools represented by them
- Ms. Young's last day with Bosco is Nov.30, 2023
- Communion/Confirmation Support – Talk about it more in January
- Gift Ideas from the parent council – small gift given to the kids- ie. Bookmark
- Work with the Parish Committee
- Graduation Support- Talk about it in January
- CCAT Assessments – Parents are contacted if their child is accepted into the program
- Any parent can learn about the program, and look into the program from Grades 4 and up
- Madame when is she coming back. Hopefully soon.

Fundraiser Ideas

- **Poinsettias**- Interest within the school
- Look into permit for picking up after school hours
- Options for size and colour
- Looked at a few Nurseries presented by Isabel, best prices to keep cost down was Bradford Nursery.
- Send out letter by Monday Morning
- Start Nov.20
- Pick Up date – Week of Dec. 4 or Week of Dec. 11
- **Krispy Krème (February) Before Lent**- Talk more in January meeting
- **Donations (Ida)**
- From the community- gift cards from the groceries to help with the event.
- Christmas event is a give back event
- **Mabels Labels (Melissa)** – Follow up in January
- **Christmas Event**- Christmas details were discussed before meeting.

Next Meeting – December 6 @ 6PM-8PM (Tentative)