



**John Cabot C.S.S.  
School Council Meeting  
Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm  
Agenda  
*Approved Minutes***

Join Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/97317881133?pwd=QzIVVE1QaTJJZy9jTnhkbkFjTmtCUT09>

**Chair - Mary Jo Ferreira**

**Treasurer - Vesna Gandin**

**Community Representative - Diane Kowalski**

**Teacher Representative - Jim Vitale**

**Non-teaching Representative - Doreen Giansante**

**Principal - Frances Campese**

***Trustee Ward 3 - Mario Pascucci***

**Secretary - Cindy Flandes**

**Parish Representative - Elizabeth McGee**

**OAPCE Representative - Mark Gandin**

**Student Representative - Gabriel Lam**

**School Chaplain - Carolyn Esvelt**

**Vice Principal - Mary Cutrara**

***Trustee Ward 4 - Stefano Pascucci***

1. PRAYER & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT: Carolyn Esvelt
2. Introduction of new members to council: Frances Campese
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Approved
4. Trustee Remarks:
  - Welcome by Mario Pascucci
  - Benefits coming out of COVID
  - Government funds for ventilation
  - Follow peel health mandates in direction of spending government funds
  - Main ambition to make sure no school closures and re-establish a normal where students can return to play and being social
5. PRINCIPAL REMARKS:
  - Thanksgiving food drive: extending past thanksgiving date; approximately \$1700 collected on top of food items that have been dropped off; Goal= \$2000.00
  - Terry Fox drive success 'Toonie for Terry': collected \$1500.00

- Activity Fee/Student Fees collection began in September as per board direction this fee covers things like retreats, student council, student activities, student agenda (My school day app), student yearbook, student awards, and many more...
- 320 students have paid to date; cannot be part of a team/club if not paid; no athletic fees collected this year; will continue to send email reminders to pay activity fee
- Activity Fee for 2021/2022 is \$65.00
- School continues to fund breakfast club
- Cosmetology: classroom to be built funded by board; summer of 2023 to be built; quad 2 first time offering course
- Parent Inservice: next Monday Mary jo will attend chair meeting with board; more inservices to come will share info when available
- Percentage of in person close to 90%; 10% virtual environment; can change delivery in quad 2

#### 6. SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIR UPDATE

- No updates

#### 7. TREASURES REPORT

- No updates

#### 8. SECRETARY REPORT

- Minutes approved

#### 9. PARISH REPORT

- No update

#### 10. OAPCE REPORT

- No update

#### 11. CHAPLAINCY REPORT

- Pastoral theme: rebuild, restore, and renew
- Initiatives: helping grade 9 to transition; chapel visits for all; all 9-12 students have participated in retreats; September 30 school wide event Orange Shirt Day; students were involved in slide presentation and orange ribbons were tied around trees on property for student voice; October 6 opening mass, pastor from St. Patrick celebrated, live streamed to all; two ongoing extra curriculars Life Teen youth ministry student led community building virtual; youth faith ambassadors Cash Online/Knights Table working with St. Patrick's church
- Support families within own school that deal with food insecurity

## 12. TEACHING STAFF REPORT

- Welcome to Mr. Jim Vitale
- His last 5 years at Archbishop Romero Expulsion Site
- Happy to be back in mainstream school
- Started labs in science; dissection for grade 10 frogs.
- Everyone happy to be back; can see excitement in students; hallways full of smiles
- Process of starting robotics program; has applied for grant
- EQAO: Math: Grade 9 Quadmester 1: October 8-9
- Picture Day: November 10, cohort C will be offered to come in at end of day keeping with all protocols
- Last day of Quadmester 1: November 11
- November 12: PA Day
- Literacy Test: Grade 11 will write test on November 23 and 24; Grade 10 will write sometime in March; Grade 12 are exempt from writing; students need to write and pass test, if not offered to take course or attempt test again; Cohort C has been invited to write test as well if they chose not to write will have to write in grade 12
- Academic Award Celebration: November 17: period 1: will be live streamed all school and recorded for parental viewing later, honour role students will receive medals
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## 13. STUDENT REPORT

- Grade 12 executive member: Gabriel
- Terry fox council involved
- Next week Halloween week: bingo for fun, kahoot, scavenger hunt, guess song, 29<sup>th</sup> civics day; prizes are being awarded.
- clubs are running: studio 304: AV, photography, robotic club; on line club fair; sports running fall, winter and spring coming soon, all pre-covid team running now post covid including tennis club although team now also running as tennis club for all interested to join
- no spectators allowed at games,

12. Trustee Stephano Pascucci: welcome to all council members; open to any questions.