



School Council

Unapproved Minutes – October 28, 2019

Attendance:

Frances Campese
Dorota Jakubowska
Doreen Giansante
Lori Gencarelli
Steven Lim

Mona Humsi-Tonna
Mark Gandin
Sue Borges
Nancy Wigchert
Ghassan Al Kakouri

Mario Pascucci
Stefano Pascucci
Aileen Santos
Mike Weckauf

Regrets: Mary Jo Ferreira, Vesna Gandin, Elizabeth McGee

The meeting commenced at 6:33 p.m. with **Land Acknowledgement** and prayer led by Chaplain Aileen Santos.

Introductions

Trustee Report

- negotiations are underway (teachers and other support staff) - hopeful that things will be resolved quickly
- 33 teachers still to be placed because of cuts by government
- looking at bullying bylaws in light of Hamilton incident
- vaping: not allowed on board property
- board recognizing gender inequality – next year will roll out a policy
- PRO (Parents Reaching Out) Grants – new process for grant
 - More centralized i.e. will go through Board
 - Cuts with respect to money available for grants, and number of grants allowed may decrease
- e-Learning – many questions around this that the government has not provided answers for: content/subject areas?, Catholic piece?, provider?

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from September 23, 2019 with name corrections – Mona; seconded – Mark; approved

Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve agenda – Lori; seconded – Mona; approved

Principal Remarks

- **School Generated Funds (SGF):** money that the school takes in from students (e.g., from Student Activity Fees)
 - Used for religious retreats, yearbooks, agendas, student council, etc.
 - In the past, SGF paid for stained glass windows, water refill stations, refrigeration system for hospitality, etc.
- **New Uniform Items:** black hoodie, black dri-FIT golf shirt, pants with new JC logo
- **Catholic School Council Executive Member Training:** Saturday, November 2, 2019 @ St. Joseph's Secondary School

Student Council Report

• Events:

- Halloween Week – Guess amount of candy, What's in the Box game, Kahoot trivia, pumpkin decorating (looks like homeroom teacher), costumes, various games, photobooth pictures, donations of candy to Dr. Simone
- Blood Donor Clinic – trying to organize for November
- Thanksgiving Food Drive – collected 1800 lbs. of food
- Grade 9 Night In – November 14th

School Council Co-Chair Update

• **Vaping:** concern about it taking place in bathrooms – Frances ensures that suspension is automatic

- Is it possible to install detectors in bathrooms? – Frances says Board is looking at what works to determine course of action

• **PROGrant:** examining an initiative to implement

Teaching Staff Report

• Events:

- ECO Team: Kahoot about Do's and Don'ts of Recycling
- Academic Awards: November 7th
- Grade Nine Night In: November 14th
- Remembrance Day: projected to classes

• Sports:

- Girls Flag Football: made it to playoffs
- Boys Volleyball has ended
- Girls Basketball: still going on
- Cross Country: ended last week

New Business

- Concern about garbage from students taking lunches at plaza

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.