



# ST. FAUSTINA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## Catholic School Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 6:30 pm

**Present:** Karen Kilic, Lori Della Bianca, Patrick Lazzara, Angela Tucciarone, Tannice Ashman

**Regrets:** Anthi Scarafile

**Note:** Meeting was held virtually through Microsoft Teams.

### Agenda:

- Welcome Prayer and Acknowledgement of First Nation Sacred Territory

### Principal's Report:

- a. Report cards emailed to students – February 15, 2022. Reminder on how parents can access the reports cards will be emailed out to parents.
- b. Change in Learning mode – February 22, 2022. Limited changes within school.
- c. School projection for the 2022/23 school year: 253 students. New enrollment of 22 FDK students.
- d. Council received a \$500 parent engagement grant. Council to research potential guest speakers or family engagement nights to utilize the grant
- e. School received money to be used for outdoor education initiatives. School purchased primary and intermediate outdoor equipment kits for student use.
- f. School is still diligent about following covid safety protocols
- g. Hired a third student monitor. School is permitted to have 4, room to hire 1 more.
- h. Six teacher candidates will be joining the school and will work closely with teachers, providing additional support for students
- i. Highschool SHSM art student will be painting a school mural, currently gathering ideas about what should be highlighted in the mural
- j. Portion of school student generated funds has been spent on school maintenance and updating/replacing technology within the school
- k. School has obtained Platinum status with eco stewardship in past years and continues to work hard to achieve Eco goals
- l. School will be installing a concrete slab in the outdoor classroom area to display a bench which was donated to the school in honour of a beloved ERW who passed away.
- m. School is celebrating Black History Month. School purchased new books highlighting great contributions made by Black leaders in Canadian history
- n. Council is reminded that annual offense declarations are due soon. Please watch email for renewal instructions.

### Upcoming school events/dates to remember:

- a. Grade 8 Grad photos and picture re-take day – Monday, March 28, 2022
- b. Teacher/Parent interviews (Virtual) Feb 17 (evening) and Feb 18 (school day)
- c. PA DAY for students: Friday, February 18, 2022 – no school
- d. Family Day – Monday February 21, 2022 – no school
- e. Pink Shirt Day – February 23, 2022
- f. March Break – March 14 – 18, 2022

**Parish Update:**

- a. First Reconciliation – April 4 – 8, 2022 – register with Parish
- b. First Communion for St. Faustina Students – May 7, 2022, at noon. Details to be confirmed by Parish
- c. Parents are reminded the virtual masses are being offered. Multiple days/times to choose from. Attending mass is encouraged for all families to support and enhance catholic faith – especially for those who have children celebrating the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- a. Balance remains the same from last meeting.

**OAPCE:**

- a. New website is now live – [dufferinpeel.oapce.org](http://dufferinpeel.oapce.org). Parents are encouraged to visit the site to view past webinars and review parent resources
- b. Remind parents to direct their tax support to separate catholic school system. Details on DP website under the "school" tab
- c. CCCSC Presentation at 7pm on Feb. 24 – Anti Racist Approaches with Tiyahna Ridley, author of Trailblazers: Black Pioneers who have shaped Canada. Flyer promoting the event has already been sent to families through school email. Parents can now register for the webinar on the OAPCE website.
- d. Next meeting – February 23, 2022.

**Fundraising:**

- a. Continuing Domino's Pizza Fundraiser once a month until June.
- b. January Domino's campaign raised \$190.00. 38 families participated.
- c. February campaign dates: Feb 22 – 24, 2022
- d. Will look at more options once covid restrictions are lifted – possible pizza days, lunch lady, school barbeque etc.

**Chair Update:**

- a. Approval of minutes from January 5, 2022, meeting
- b. Completed council survey and results have been submitted to the board
- c. When restrictions are lifted, suggest hosting a family event where parents and student can interact. Families are not connecting due to covid restrictions. Important to bring families together to form a sense of community.
- d. Council is willing to help organize and cover some costs associated with grade 8 graduation and holy sacraments.

**Upcoming Council Meetings:**

- April 6, 2022 @ 6:30 pm
- May 18, 2022 @ 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned: 7:22 pm