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**Minutes of Iona Catholic Secondary School Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at 7:00 pm**  
**Iona Learning Commons**

In Attendance: Nelen Visconti-Avila (Secretary), Nelly Morgado (OAPCE Rep), Joanne Becke, Joseph Farias, Effie Farias, Justyna Czerepak, Marianne Carvalho, Kirsten Madsen, Andrew Selvam (Chaplaincy Leader), Carl Cini (P).

1. Opening Prayer
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Welcome and Introductions
4. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda
  - Approved – N. Morgado, K. Madsen
5. Review and Approval of Minutes from February 16, 2023 Meeting
  - Approved – J. Czerepak, J. Farias
6. Business Arising from the Minutes
7. Executive Update – Current Chair of our School Council no longer has a child that attends the school. A new Chair is needed. Expression of Interest asked for. Justyna Czerepak has volunteered at our Chair.
8. Treasurer's Report
  - Current balance – 1435. 73
  - \$500 Parent Involvement Grant received.
  - Approval of donation to Graduation Awards – Student Council Letter Award \$100, Iona Alumni Award 2 x \$200.
9. OAPCE Report
  - OAPCE has raised a number of issues with the Minister of Education including a strategy for student engagement, allowing for a grade 13 for students to catch up and remove politics from the classroom. Students should be learning curriculum in a Christ centered environment.
10. Chaplaincy Report/ Teacher Report
  - Handout provided at meeting
  - See attached

## 12. Principal's Report

- Academic Awards Breakfast was held on April 28 to celebrate our Honour Roll, Dolphin Club and Subject Award recipients for the 2021-22 school year. Students had a great time and provided very positive feedback. An Awards breakfast will be planned for future school years.
- Graduation Awards self-nominations are currently open in the Iona Grad Google Classroom. Students can nominate themselves for various awards. All submissions are due by May 5, 2023.
- Families are encouraged to pay the \$65 Student Activity Fee. This money is used for yearbooks, retreats and student events. If we do not collect enough student activity fees then certain events will not be able to occur.
- Midterm Report Cards were distributed on May 2. Please ask your child to see their progress. Teachers will have made contact if the student is in jeopardy of not earning their credit.
- As we approach the end of the school year and the weather improves, attendance becomes more important. Students still have time to improve their marks (or not) and attendance is a key factor to success. Guardians are asked to follow up with and encourage good attendance.
- CPTs will be starting soon. They are worth between 10 and 20 per cent of the final mark depending on that course. If a student is absent for a part of the CPT they must verify it to have an opportunity to make it up.
- Exams will take place from June 20 – 23. Attendance is mandatory for exams. Missed exams must be accompanied by a doctor's note or a mark of zero will be assessed.
- June 27 is Exam Review Day.
- Semester 1 Report Cards will be picked up at the school on June 29.
- 2024 survey on key issues
- Annie production is still open with 1wk performance remaining.
- Parent engagement event (x2) May 13. Presentation on human trafficking May 18.  
Registration May 5
- Alvin Tedjoe – putting together an advisory council for the area. Meeting place in Clarkson
- Please follow us on Twitter @IonaCatholic, on Instagram @ionacatholicmississauga and on YouTube at Iona CSS

### **Meeting Dates**

Thursday, June 1, 2023

### **Adjournment**

The meeting of the Iona Catholic Secondary Council was adjourned.