

St. Joachim Elementary School - 2024-2025 School Council

Meeting Minutes, October 10, 2024, 6:30 -8:27pm

Attendees: - J. Lise, S. Salameh, G. Russo, A. Baez, A. Valente, T. Johnson-White, L. Pavao, A. Picano, N. Gluhushkin, S. Davis Parsons, R. Castro, M. Castro, M. Rogato, S. Luckie, P. Johnson-Powell, D. Pancham, Christine, A. Caires, A. Balanoff

Absent: A. Szekely, I. Nwankwo, W. Mac

AGENDA ITEM & NOTES	ACTION ITEMS/PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE/APPROVALS
Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement	Amanda
Overview of CSC Roles and By-laws & Introductions	Mr. Lise/All
Election of 2024/25 CSC Co-Chairperson- A. Baez/A.Valente Secretary - T. Johnson-White Treasurer- L. Pavao Parish Representative- A. Picano OAPCE Representative -N. Gluhushkin Community Representative- S. Davis Parsons Teacher Representative- G. Russo Voting Members at Large: R. Castro, M. Castro, M. Rogato, I. Nwankwo, S. Luckie, W. Mac, P. Johnson-Powell, A. Szekely Council includes 16 voting members; 7 executive members, 1 teacher and 8 members at large. Quorum = 8	
Approval of Agenda	<i>Sheena – Approved</i> <i>Allen – 2nd</i>
Approval of Minutes (May 2024 CSC Meeting)	<i>Sheena – Approved</i> <i>Angie – 2nd</i>
Chair Report Chair Report, October 10, 2024 Welcome to all new council members. Before the end of the year, we can vote if we would like to increase the number of voting seats on council. Let’s see how this year goes first. Orange shirts were very well received by parents. Thank you to Angie for getting them all distributed. Krispy Kreme fundraiser will kick off October 21. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Orders due by Sunday, November 3. ○ Pickup will be on Tuesday, November 12th ○ Orders capped at 300 dozen ○ Selling for \$15/box, we pay \$8/box ○ Will need volunteers on the 12th to help with distribution Parents want a second hot lunch day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thinking Thursdays ○ Do we want pizza, or to try something new (patties or burgers)¹ ○ Feedback from Tonino’s wasn’t positive Fall movie night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can we do Thursday, November 21st, before the Friday PA Day? ○ Do we want to have pizza as was done pre-COVID? ○ Need to pick a movie Not a fundraiser	Amanda ¹ <i>Peta-Gaye and Sacha will check into patty options.</i> <i>Amanda B and Andreia will check into Harvey’s.</i> ² <i>Unanimous</i>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of various ideas such as Breakfast with Santa, only allowed 1 fundraiser per year, Krispy Kreme is one fundraiser and if do Dance-a-thon that is a 2nd fundraiser • Limited to 3 fundraisers for the year. • Mr. Lise: 2 major ones and lunch is excluded. Therefore, the lunch and tuck shop are excluded. There is a provincial rule that school council can only do major fundraisers and only allowed 10 days to break the unhealthy rule day. • Discussion: council would order the pizza for parents and families and the tuck shop would sell popcorn for the Movie night. • Mr. Lise: would need a permit due to event being after certain hours. Discussion of the tuck shop, as now through online (Cash online) and on the day of will still allow students to purchase items. Also, if a student is short on money they can still purchase from the tuck shop. • MOTION: Fall movie night on November 21st, 2024.² • VOTE: Everyone • Discussion of movies for movie night: Inside out, Grinch, Despicable Me, Home Alone, Kung Fu Panda, The Santa Claus 1 &2, Elf. 	
<p>Treasurer Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed expenditures promised at final council meeting of the 2023-2024 school year. Current CSC account balance = \$3798.48 • Discussion of the Dance-A-Thon brought in close to \$10, 000. Money was committed the last school year to the Grade 8 graduation, bracelets. CSC also paid for Parent Engagement night, Aussie X night. CSC split cost of Orange shirts with the school. • Krispy Kreme anticipated that will bring in possibly \$2000 and ordering will be available on cash online as this was facilitated by Mrs. Ferro. We must order from the Mississauga Krispy Kreme location. Question asked re distribution, and logistics explained that council will get the donuts from the store and parents will collect from the school. Question re: checking Costco as its cheaper there and reply was that the Krispy Kreme is a fundraising program. • MOTION: Contribution of \$500 to St. Anne’s Youth Ministry³ • VOTE: Everyone • Discussion of St Anne’s Youth Ministry and the schedule on Friday evenings as kids can be dropped off at 6pm and picked up at 9pm. There are light snacks and activities provided and a small registration fee for parents that signed their kids up for the program. 	<p>Amanda ³ <i>Unanimous</i></p>
<p>Principal Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Reorganization, the school gained ½ Kindergarten class so 15 more students. Also gained an additional lunch monitor, so now have 3. Projected total for students enrolled is 520 and now have 30 more students, so now the school has 550 students have surpassed the projections. • Challenges: in the primary division with self- regulation as Grade 1 coming from Kindergarten, issues with Grades 1-3. • Athletics, Art club, Math Madness with Mr. Mintz are some activities. • Presenter at school focused on an equity and diversity lens. • Paid for grad hoodie and yearbook and this year will celebrate graduation at Notre Dame school. 	<p>Mr. Lise</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school doesn't charge for athletics, invitationals, taxis etc. There was a concern regarding financials this year, re distance from the Northern set of schools. For example, a tournament was in Bolton, and this was for Junior and intermediate divisions. The smaller tournaments will be local if the teams advance so will go North a few times per year. Parents will need to drop their kids off, but the school will arrange taxis to bring the students back to the school. Mention that there is a car-pooling option being arranged by some parents. <p>Orange shirt day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Joachim was number one in the Board, top five in all of Ontario for proceeds donated. The money benefitted an organization named Geronimo's dream (Indigenous initiative connected to residential school survivor). <p>New Snack Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is consideration of a new snack program, the details are still being worked on. <p>Mass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first Mass was held on September 30th by Father Suresh. Need to check Smore for updated information. 	
<p>Teacher Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Full report below 	Ms. Russo
<p>Parish Rep Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CWL is doing a donut sale this weekend before and after the Mass. Cleanup of Duggan Park will be on October 19th and there will be tree planting. Food drive- will be at the church. <p>Crosses for Grade 8 and passing of the Faith ceremony.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Anne's will provide Confirmation Crosses. The cost for making the bracelets will be \$1,100. There will be a communal gift for the students celebrating Communion. Mom's Group meets the 1st Thursday of every month. 	Allen
<p>OAPCE Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Report 	
<p>Community Rep Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Full report below 	Trisha
<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting dates for CSC 2023/24 (all meetings hybrid, unless noted otherwise): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday, November 21, 2024 Thursday, January 16, 2025 (virtual) Thursday, February 27, 2025 Thursday, April 24, 2025 Thursday, May 22, 2025 Discussion re: Another Dance-A-Thon, do we want to do this, will defer this decision to next meeting. Last year the Dance-a-Thon happened in May, and it is not possible to do this for Halloween this year. It could be done in February. Suggestion that a sub-committee be formed for the possible planning of the Dance-a-Thon, dates suggested including February 14th- this is a PA Day, February 18th is Family Day. 	All

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<p>Ideas for fundraising will be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas include Year end Carnival, Dunk the Principal, Bake Sales, Bouncy castle, BBQ fun fairs. The school has done a year end Carnival previously. • Question re: vendors and who can be a vendor and reply that vendors must be approved by the Board. • Idea re: Christmas event, as could set up different tables with different vendors. Have Santa Claus attend, and families would have the opportunity to take pictures. This could be done on a Saturday. • Parent engagement ideas: every year spend \$500 on Parent Engagement, so need to bring ideas for parent engagement for the next meeting. • St Anne’s also has a Christmas Concert on December 8th. 	
MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:27 PM	<i>Natasha - Approved, Angie - 2nd</i>
Next Meeting is on November 21, 2024 at 6:30pm	

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School Council Teacher Report

Thurs. Oct. 10, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

From the Library, the book fair was held the third week of September, it was very successful and as a result of the community support, we've been able to purchase a wide range of books to support students in kindergarten to grade 8.

Library Helpers will be starting up soon we had several students come out we will begin training in a week or so.

Burns

Eco Schools - Eco schools has begun with a brand-new team of members from grades 3-8. We will also be including class reps this year to get the entire school involved. Our student council has a minister of the Environment that will be a part of our Eco Schools Team.

We have created an X (Formally Twitter) account @joachimecoteam where we will post photos and reminders for upcoming events and activities!

Events for the month of October include:

Waste and recycling audits

Energy Audits

National Walk Ride to school week (10 Points)

Take me outside day (5 Points)

School Wide Yard and Community Clean Up (5 points)

Phantom Energy campaign (10 Points)

YFAs

Thanksgiving Food Drive has ended today. The Knights Table will be picking up the donations tomorrow.

Next initiative is Bullying prevention week which will be coming up in Nov.

We have a Well-Being group of students. Students are from Gr. 7 & 8. They attended a Well-Being conference & will be meeting to come up with initiatives in the school and will be working with the YFAs.

Sports

Softball-Dyba, Mintz & Burns-Junior tournament was last week. Happy to have a junior team for the first time at our school. Out of 3 games they won 1 game and did their best. There was an intermediate team as well.

Sports happening this month:

- Jr. Girls and Boys participated in the Junior volleyball minis on Oct.10
 - The boys won; they will be moving on to the family tournament on Oct.15
- Cross Country tournament will be happening on Oct. 17 at Sesquicentennial Park
 - If any students place in their run, they will be participating at the board tournament on Oct.22
- Intermediate Co-Ed Flag Football Tournament will be held on Oct.18
- Intermediate Volleyball will be starting. Tournament will be on Nov.28

Snack Program-Ms. DeRose & SERTs

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The YMCA of Greater Toronto Peel Student Nutrition Program is the sole provider of Student Nutrition Programs in Peel Region

Student Nutrition Programs help schools provide nutritious snacks to children and youth, create an environment where all children and youth feel welcomed, encourage children and youth to pay attention to their hunger and fullness cues and offer foods with the most nutritional value. It recognizes that good nutrition is important for healthy growth and development, fed children are better prepared to learn and good nutrition can reduce the risk of health problems in later years.

October 2024, Community Events Bulletin

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DPCDSB Community Events Bulletin

1. <https://www.dpcdsb.org/parents/community-bulletin-board>

City of Brampton Events

2. <https://www.brampton.ca/EN/Online-Services/Events/Pages/Welcome.asp>

City of Mississauga Events

3. <https://www.mississauga.ca/arts-and-culture/events>

4.FOLD Kids Book Fest 2024

<https://thefoldcanada.org/kids/>

In 2024, the festival will host live virtual events designed for classrooms and educators from

November 5-9. Events for classrooms and educators will take place on November 5-7 in our Virtual Clubhouse; live in-person events will be held in Brampton from November 7-9 at various locations. All virtual events, and select in-person events, will be available to watch on-demand until December 9, 2024.

Example of presenters: Arley Nopra

The bestselling series *The Baby-sitters Club* is available as a graphic novel series! In this bonus event, artist Arley Nopra guides kids through the process she followed converting Claudia and the Bad Joke from a chapter book into a middle grade graphic novel. This event is sponsored by Scholastic Canada.

Grades 4 - 7.

City of Brampton Recreation

5. <https://www.brampton.ca/EN/residents/Recreation/Programs-Activities/Pages/Welcome.aspx>

City of Mississauga Recreation

6. <https://www.mississauga.ca/recreation-and-sports/sports-and-activities/>

Brampton Library Events

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7. <https://bramlib.libnet.info/events>

8. Bricks in the Six

Lego event

November 14- 17th

Hilton Meadowvale

<https://bricksinthe6.ca/>

9. Fire Prevention Week

October 11, 10- 2pm

This year, the focus of Fire Prevention Week is Smoke Alarms: Make them work for you. It is the law to have working smoke alarms in your home. Learn more about how smoke alarms save lives every day at our live burn demonstration at 12 p.m. Garry W. Morden Centre

10. Celebration Scare, presented by Tim Hortons

Saturday, October 19, 2024 @ 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Free



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12. Dinos Alive: An Immersive Experience

Friday, October 25, 2024 - Sunday, December 22, 2024. Location: Downsview Airport Lands, 30 Hanover Road, Toronto, M3K 0E2