



**ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES
March 1, 2023**

Full Name	Sept 28	OCT 19	NOV 16	DEC 7	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 19	JUN 7
Caroline Athaide (Principal)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Stephanie lassogna (Teacher Representative)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Luisa Medeiros (Teacher Representative)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Claudia Filipe (Co-Chair)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Julia Van de Kraats (Co-Chair)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Andrea Gavrilovic (Treasurer)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Nelly Xavier (Co-Secretary)	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Monika Serpa (Co-Secretary)	X		X	X	X	X		
Steve Starcevic (Parish Representative)	X		X		X			
Melissa Agius (OAPSI Representative)					X			
Mario Pascucci	X	X	X	X		X		
Caleigh Dale	X							
Jonathan Dale	X							
So Jin Jung	X	X	X	X		X		
Lubna Nemeh	X							



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1st order of business	<p>Opening Prayer/Land Acknowledgement</p> <p>Agenda Approval: 1st: Nelly 2nd: Monika</p> <p>Meeting Minutes Approval for February 1st, 2023 1st Julia; 2nd Andrea</p>	
Trustee Report	<p>Mario Pascucci – Provided following updates:</p> <p>1) April 26 Budget Talks – all parents welcomed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Purpose = to ensure transparency and that everyone is on same page ➤ Asking for Council to attend with prepared questions ➤ Goal of meeting is to answer any questions and address any concerns <p>2) Issue Trustee’s working on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Individual from Indigenous community has asked for Indigenous representation. ➤ Council is looking at this request to see if it is possible/practical –request is for a student rep ➤ Mrs. Medeiros asked is it can be any rep or an Indigenous individual ➤ MR. Pascucci unsure but is looking into it and will advise <p>3) Ministry Grant of \$500.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dufferin/Peel School Board initiated motion o have Ministry provide more funds towards programs to assist students – goal is to ensure no students are left behind ➤ Looking at where the Board wants to be in 2027 	
Principal’s report	<p>1)Monthly Virtue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The virtue for the month of February was Respect ➤ The virtue of the month for March is Kindness ➤ Friday, March 3rd at 13:15 Virtue Assembly will be held to celebrate the students from last month and discuss kindness 	



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	<p>2) Shove Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Great success – a special thank you to all the YFA; students; and volunteers ➤ Great way to start off the Lenten season and celebrate ➤ Mrs. Xavier-Cordner asked question re tweet of whether Longos donates items. Mrs. Medeiros clarified Longos didn't donate food but rather a parent who works for Longos was able to provide the school items at a discounted rate. ➤ Mrs. VDK ask what was the total cost of event – Mrs. Medeiros still collecting receipts from teachers and will advise <p>3) Candy Grams for Valentine's Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Total of \$1400 raised for Share Life – campaign was a huge success ➤ Mrs. Beach's class took the lead by setting up all the bags and decorating <p>4) School Mass on March 29 at 09:30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All parents welcomed to attend <p>5) Scientist in School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Science program offered for each class ➤ School will cover the expenditures for this activity <p>6) Snow Challenge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ STOC facing challenges with students and their safety when playing in Snow ➤ Students are not permitted to throw snow during recess as there is a safety concern ➤ Snow pants are mandatory for students who wish to play in field <p>7) Kiss and Ride Lane</p>	<p style="color: red;">*Follow up item – Mrs. Medeiros to provide breakdown of costs/and final total for Shove Tuesday</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reminder to all parents to keep moving this lane is for drop off ➤ Teachers on bus duty will keep monitoring and advising parents <p>8) Recap of Important Dates: <i>Mar. 3—Virtue Assembly at 1:15 p.m.</i> <i>Mar. 3—World Wildlife Day</i> <i>Mar. 3—World Day of Prayer</i> <i>Mar. 6—Black Mental Health Day</i> <i>Mar. 6-10— Social Work Week</i> <i>Mar. 8—International Day of Women</i> <i>Mar 9—Wear something Green for St. Patrick’s Day</i> <i>Mar. 13-17— March Break</i> <i>Mar. 15—International Day to Combat Islamophobia</i> <i>Mar. 17—St. Patrick’s Day</i> <i>Mar. 20—Solemnity of St. Joseph</i> <i>Mar. 20— International Day of Happiness</i> <i>Mar. 20— First Day of Spring</i> <i>Mar. 21—World Down Syndrome Day and International Day for the Elimination of Discrimination</i> <i>Mar. 24—ShareLife Spirit Day—Camouflage Day</i> <i>Mar. 22—World Water Day</i> <i>Mar. 25—Earth Hour the last hour of the day</i> <i>Mar. 25—Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord</i> <i>Mar. 28—ECO assembly for the Great Gulp, Great Crunch and “How to Recycle Right” skits.</i> <i>Mar. 29—Lenten School Mass at 9:30 a.m.</i> <i>Mar. 30—Chess Tournament at St. Philip School</i> <i>April 2—Palm Sunday</i> <i>Apr. 7—Good Friday</i> <i>Apr. 10— Easter Monday</i></p>	



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<p>Parent Council Update:</p> <p>Julia Van deKraats and Claudia Filipe</p>	<p>1) Spring Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Felipe reached out to both Purdy's Chocolate and World's Finest – still waiting to hear back 	<p>*Mrs. Felipe will follow up again return to Council table with options. Hope is to launch fundraising so it aligns with Easter.</p>
<p>Treasurer's report</p>	<p>Andrea shared report provided to her from Mrs. Gordon for January report:</p> <p>Parent Council Treasurer Report 2022-2023: Opening Balance: \$13,746.47 Cookie Dough: -\$991.58 Pizza Days:- \$1,812.00 *Debit -\$2803.80 Pizza Day Revenue: \$3062.50 Closing Balance: \$14,005.17 *16,808.97 (13,746.47+3062.50) – 2803.80 (1812.22+991.58)</p> <p>*Council asked question re cookie dough expense – clarification required</p> <p>Pizza Day Sales Tracker Opening Balance: \$1705.90 Pizza Revenue: \$3062.50 Pizza Cost: \$1812.22 4768.40 (3062.50+1705.90) – 1812.22 = 2,956.18</p> <p>Pizza</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Each month pizza revenue fluctuates however not in red (deficit) but rather in green (profit) 	<p>.</p> <p>*Mrs. Medeiros to send out an email to all Teachers to confirm that they are on board with using napkins versus plates and then advice Council</p> <p>*Mrs. Gavrilovic to follow up with Mrs. Gordon re cookie dough expenses – as Council was unclear what this line is referring</p>



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<p>Teacher's report: Mrs. lassogna and Mrs. Medeiros</p>	<p>1) Mrs. lassogna – Virtue Tree Painting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ At a previous meeting STOC made request to move forward on Virtue Tree Painting ➤ MRs. Athaide provided a quote ➤ Mrs. lassogna would like Council to vote on whether or not this request is approved ➤ Goal is to have mural completed before year end ➤ Mrs. Filipe advised that the challenge existed because there was confusion surrounding council funds versus school generated funds. Now with clarification Council not in a position to use Council funds but no issues with using school generated funds for this request. ➤ Mrs. Athaide clarified that because generated funds were carried over from previous year need Council to approve as they are representatives of the School's community ➤ Parent Council approves <p>2) Mrs. Felipe raised questions re status of screen's/projectors' that were raised from previous meeting .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Athaide and Mrs. Medeiros need to update requests and their costs ➤ Mrs. Athaide asks if Spring Fundraising initiative can be used to make these purchases ➤ Council doesn't foresee an issue with this request but needs to review finances confusion as to what has been allocated and actually used 	<p>*Council approves the Virtue Tree Mural using School Generated Funds</p> <p>Council to follow up with Mrs. Gordon and review what is on Council funds; what has been allocated and what has actually been spent</p>



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	<p>3) Year End School Field Trip</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Question raised if \$10/per student still in reserve for year-end field trip ➤ Beginning of year Council approved \$15/per student - \$5.00 was used for Movies leaving \$10/per student – Question are these funds still available ➤ Questions raised around funds that have a been allocated versus used at what is remaining. Follow up required ➤ Mrs. Athaide recommended that at April Council Meeting – Council review finances – what’s been raised, allocated and spent ➤ Mrs. Athaide – can Council tentatively approve \$2500 to offset cost of year end school trip so that Teachers can proceed with planning and booking trip ➤ Mrs. Felipe – if Council has already approved these funds we will keep our commitment 	
ROUND TABLE	<p>1.) Spring Fundraiser – goal to have it set up and ready before March Break</p> <p>2) Mrs. Iassogna advised that school will be running an Easter Food Drive – more information to come</p>	
Next meeting date:	April 19 , 2023	