



**ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES
SEPT 19, 2024**

Full Name	Sept 27 (2023)	OCT 25	NOV 22	FEB 21	MAR 27	APR 24	MAY 29	SEP 19 (2024)
Mrs. Maddison (Principal)	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Stephanie lassogna (Teacher Representative)	X					X	X	
Mr. Felice (Teacher Representative)		X	X	X		X		X
Mrs. Beach (Teacher Representative)		X	X	X		X		X
Mr. Salina's (Teacher Representative)					X			
Mrs. Perreira (Teacher Representative)					X	X		
Madame Galle (Teacher Representative)					X			
Claudia Filipe (Co-Chair)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Julia Van de Kraats (Co-Chair)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Andrea Gavrilovic (Treasurer)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nelly Xavier (Secretary)	X	X	X		X	X		X
Monika Serpa (Parish Rep)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Janet Kus (OAPSI Representative)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vasilios Trifonopoulos	X	X	X	X				



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Chris Garofalo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Megan Grdadolnik	X	X	X	X		X		X
Melissa Agius	X	X	X	X		X		X
Mario Pascucci	X	X	X	X	X			

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1st order of business	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Opening Prayer/Land Acknowledgement</p> <p>Agenda Approval:</p> <p>Minute Approval:</p>	<p>1st Chris; 2nd Nelly</p> <p>1st Julia; 2nd Andrea</p>
Principal's report	<p><u>Impacts of increased school population:</u></p> <p>Increase to school population mainly in primary classes – in consultation with board and teachers a reorg of classes need to occur. Impact mainly seen with primary grades.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase in numbers in students resulted in increased planning time (three day planning time teacher) – looking for to fill a planning time teacher vacancy by next week. Currently Mrs. Nerona is covering that vacancy but she also has a two day planning time position - Mr. Pyczek is only filling position until November - Mrs. Armstrong returned and is teaching grade 3/4 - Half time educational worker – previously STOC only had Ms. Knibbe but now joined by two half time educational workers 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs. Midgley covering for a maternity leave for the entire year <p><u>Teacher Representatives at Council Meetings:</u></p> <p>For this upcoming school year’s council teacher representatives at meeting’s will be rotational.</p> <p>Goals for the school year and Council’s:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Focusing on ability to support faith development. - Theme for the year – is our year of prayer as we work towards supporting our Jubilee year 2025. - support achievement and professional learning goals with literacy, math, social sciences with all tools we have in place - Goal is to place a focus on technology – and all the various uses the kids use devices for i.e. raz kids. - School initiated fundraising goal will be to increase devices and technologies - Device policy has not changed as policy has always been that devices are put away while at school. - Focus on equity and well-being as well. <p><u>School Trips</u></p>	



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	<p>Primary's looking to go to Downey's Farm at the beginning of school year will be looking to Council to support this event. Request for funds made and approved.</p> <p>Similar to previous years Council has supported school trips by subsidizing costs.</p> <p><u>Council Elections for 2024-2025 School Year</u></p> <p>Election and nominations procedures was sent home on September 15th by email.</p> <p>Nominations forms are to be sent back to the office. Office signs receipt of forms a week before election meeting. Goal at open house will be to promote council.</p> <p>School Council roles document was also sent out to the community.</p> <p>October 24th Catholic school council chair meeting – please mark it in your calendar a representative from council will need to attend.</p>	
<p>Treasurer's report</p>	<p>After wrapping up last year the remaining balance is \$4,241.82.</p> <p>All expenses made and paid for.</p> <p>Last year's big purchase was the new screen for the gym.</p> <p>Mrs. Maddison advised that money can be allocated prior to Council's first meeting in October it will just need to be noted in the minutes of that meeting. For example, if council wanted to approve contributing towards school trips they could.</p>	



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Parent Council Update:	<p>No new updates/new business as the intent of this council meeting is to close off last year's council.</p> <p>All new business items will be discussed at the October 2nd meeting.</p> <p>Update on Open House BBQ</p> <p>Recommendation made by Council to have community outreach communication translated into Ukrainian – school population has increased significantly, however participation in events are low i.e. Open/ house BBQ and pizza.</p> <p>Low participation can be a result of lack of understanding/awareness, Council wants all of STOCs community to feel welcomed and by having communication translated may result in an increase in fundraising initiatives.</p>	
New Business: Fundraising for School Year 2024-25	<p>Discussion around having a separate committee for fundraising.</p> <p>Confusion of council regarding the intent of Principal's vision to have a separate Fundraising Committee and questions raised and Council requested further clarification i.e. roles and responsibilities.</p> <p>Principal (Mrs. Maddison) clarified that proposal for a separate committee is a result of last year's confusion which resulted in the cancelling of fundraising events. Principal advised that she felt that if Council approved fundraising events having a separate team to</p>	



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	<p>handle logistics and execution would result in clear plan and prevent a repeat of last year. Additionally, by having a separate committee council would not need to spend all their time at council meetings to discuss fundraising initiatives.</p> <p>Council clarified that confusion was not a result of Council not coming together as a team to plan events but rather the G.A.P. restrictions and regulations which impacted Councils ability to execute fundraising events that would be worthwhile in time, effort and results yielded.</p> <p>Council further advised that prior to each Council meeting last year Council held regular offsite meetings to discuss the planning of fundraising initiatives essentially as a fundraising committee.</p> <p>Furthermore, Council expressed no issues with having parents volunteer to assist with fundraising initiatives and welcome it. Unfortunately, Council noted that past experience has shown that although parents are eager to help most of them usually only assist the day of the event. Fundraising events take countless hours of prep prior to the event and many parents are unable to assist.</p> <p>Important to note that a separate fundraising meeting was scheduled for after this Council's meeting but no additional parents attended other than those present at Council, subsequently, no additional committee was established.</p>	



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	<p>School led fundraising initiatives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sale of cookies (1x/week potentially Wednesday's) 2. One time donation online <p>Goal of funds to be raised is \$5000.00: \$4000 for new Chrome books \$1000 for families in need</p> <p>*school will not be making any future requests to Council for the above two items as they are leading their own fundraising initiatives.</p> <p>Proposed Council led fundraising initiatives important to note that these initiatives discussed but will have to be approved on October 2, 2024 when a new council is voted in.</p> <p>Proposed Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Halloween Dance – this event may not be feasible due to timing (meeting on October 2 dance on 31 does not allow enough time for new council to plan, prepare and execute) 2. Popcorn Friday's 3. Christmas Concert – Council to host fundraising initiatives i.e. silent auction 4. Spring Family Movie Night 5. Pizza Tuesday's – not a new initiative but one that continues. Discussion had around the quality of pizza from current provider and whether it was feasible to change vendors. Further discussion to be had. <p>Council's fundraising initiatives are to support upgrades to the school's outdoor playground areas and the purchasing of new shade</p>	<p>Follow up item: Council to look into pizza vendors and discuss with Mrs. Gordon the feasibility of switching vendors and impacts on "cash on line" .</p>



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	structures (approximately three). Rough estimate of costs for shade structures is approximately \$20,000.00.	
Next meeting date:	October 2, 2024	
Approved Funds Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to \$500 for Primary's to attend field day trip to Downey's Farm 	