

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School
CSC Meeting Minutes – Virtual Meeting #5
April 21, 2021 6:30pm to 7:45pm

In attendance: Principal: Leslie Marchand

Teacher Representatives: Katie Box Hodgins

Parent Representatives: Atzire Perez, Sarah Kelemen, Kayla Stephenson, Nadia Shea, Alex Irving

Parents of Children (non voting): Suzanne Nunne, Keri Keast, Jemililya Mary 2, Christina Tsung, Varghese Mathew, Lee Anne Fitzpatrick

Regrets: Tara Harkin, Atzire Perez

Council

- Chair: Tara Harkin
- Chair: Kayla Stephenson
- Treasurer: Donovan Irving
- Secretary: Sarah Kelemen
- OAPCE Rep: Atzire Perez
- Parish Rep: Alex Irving
- Teacher Rep: Ms. Katie Box
- Volunteer & Fundraising: Nadia Shea

Require 4 for Quorum

Feb 24th meeting notes approved.

Principal's Report

- Students were happy before Easter about being at school.
- Students told before Easter to bring stuff home.
- No Covid cases reported up to Easter break at OLMCY
- Responsible thing to be at home right now
- Mercy March Madness week went over well, and the kids felt connected
- School Spirit wear looks great. Profit from the fund raiser not available yet. Items are in production.
- Virtual book fair did well. Earned \$200 in resources.
 - \$1600 in books gifted to the librarian for the purchase of new books, with a focus on diversity
- Culture survey sent out by the board and closing on April 23rd
- Board budget created with principal and chairs, will be shared electronically
- Catholic Education week first week of May. This years theme is “Nurturing Hope”
- Share life donation drive – agreed to ~\$100 gift
- Graduation – board has formed committees to have the same look and feel across all schools.
 - Still in draft
 - Virtual or live – TBC. Most likely leaning towards pre-recorded

- Grad 8 committee – Monday or Tuesday of next week (school staff only).
- Grad photos, vendor will do photos on June 18th with the grade 8's (pending covid restrictions)
- Virtual students (remote only) hosted by another school, but part of the OLCMY community. These students will be recognized and will graduate as OLCMY students at our graduation. As well, they will have a small service for their class.
- Memory book may not be possible this year
- Banner will be created to take a picture at a later date
- Picture collage being created
- Vouchers – might be an option for grade 8 students
- Discussed setting up a parent graduation committee. Added in a parent council meeting for May 12th to discuss options for the grade 8 grad.

Chair's Report

- Budget meeting – pre-recorded
 - <https://www3.dpcdsb.org/news/2021-22-public-budget-consultation>

Treasurers Report

- Collapsing School budget into the main school account to avoid banking fees. Something to think about for the future. Most in favour of this rather than paying \$16/mth bank fee.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Advisory Council					
Monthly School Council Treasurer's Report					
Month End (Month/Year)	March 2021				
Opening Cash Balance per books:				=	\$2,414.28
Add: Sources	Code	Dep	Amount		\$0.00
Total Sources of Revenue =					\$0.00
Less: Expens	Code	Chq	Amount		
Cleared Cheques / Payments					
Bank Fee			\$ 15.95		
Cheque1598	Sacramental	Gifts	\$ 293.00		
Total					\$0.00
Uncleared Cheques/Payments					
Kernels fundraiser			\$162.44		\$162.44
Total Expenditures =					\$308.95
BANK RECORD: (A + B - C)				= \$	\$2,398.33
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Sacrament gifts were the prayer cubes. Images below.

Fundraising Ideas & Timing

- Flip Give \$276 new total end date June 1st. Suggested closing it and getting the cheque.
- Voluntary donation amount now \$685.00
 - Sits with board until we close the charity number. Once closed it will get transferred from the board to the school.
- Spirit wear order has been place. Not sure of the amount raised just yet.
- Reminder that Sarah has products for a fundraiser auction.

OPACE REPORT

April 28th meeting has been canceled. The last meeting for the year will be on May 26th.

Save the dates! Upcoming OAPCE provincial conference May 14th and 15th. Registration will open soon. Here's the link for more information:

<https://www.oapce.org/conference-2021/>

[Conference 2021 | OAPCE](#)

Using his background of more than 40 years of broadcasting, Kevin Frankish has become a very active mental health advocate. In 2006, Kevin was diagnosed with severe anxiety disorder and generalized anxiety disorder which he is very public about hoping to help reduce the stigma surrounding.

www.oapce.org

Invitation to an upcoming event on April 21st for parents/ guardians of students with diverse learning needs. Link to flyer below.

Previous CCCSC webinars posted on their website so parents can watch any time.

Parish Report

Saturday April 17th meeting – everything has been cancelled due to Covid.

Mstr. Owen asked for the Pastural Plan to be updated. It's a document that is updated yearly in the fall. The most recent plan is now online.

Teacher's Report

Almost all teachers are vaccinated.

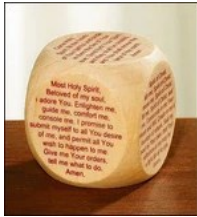
Future Meetings:

New – May 12th

June 2nd

The plan is currently for meetings to take place via Zoom, set up by the principal, at 6:30pm

Confirmation Prayer Cube - \$3.95 each



<https://www.josephsinspirational.ca/collections/confirmation-gifts/products/confirmation-prayer-cube>

First Communion Prayer Cube - \$2.95 each



<https://www.josephsinspirational.ca/collections/1st-communion-gifts/products/first-communion-prayer-cube>

School Council: Parent volunteers, which act as a liaison between the parents, students, principal, teachers, and board. The goal is to increase the experience for all students.

Chair & Co Chair: Main points of contact with the school. Host the school council meetings, set and send out the agenda. Ensure the school council is adhering to the guidelines set up for the council per the board directions.

Treasurer: Responsible for coming up with draft budget and final budget. Also responsible for generating monthly reports to indicate all money generated by council fundraising activities and the expenses.

Secretary: Capture the minutes of the council meeting. Ensure each committee has had an opportunity to provide input. Send meeting notes to the school council following the meeting and ensure that they get approved at the following meeting.

OPACE Rep: Members for the regional council are formed by the appointed OAPCE representatives on each of the local school councils in the DPCDSB. This provides a direct connection and opportunity to meet with the Dufferin-Peel Regional OAPCE directors on a monthly basis. This parent information sharing council is made up 100% of parent volunteers.

Parish Representative: Monthly meeting with the priest. Relay information that is happening in the parish to the parent council.

Volunteer & Fundraising: Act as the lead in fundraising and volunteer events.