

St. Paul Catholic Secondary School

Catholic Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Catholic School Trustees:

-Bruno Iannicca and Mario Pascucci will be contacting the local elected MP after the Provincial and Municipal elections on October 24th, to inquire about the proposed turf facility.

-Proposing the City of Mississauga to join the Peel Board and Dufferin Peel to build the turf. Turf will be shared between St. Paul's and Cawthra Park, and will be accessible to the local community. They will continue to advocate for the school's facilities. Updates will be provided at the next Catholic Council meeting.

STP Student Representative Report:

-Cassandra Stevens shared the many sports and school club activities being offered this semester to STP students.

CSC Meeting Wednesday, April 6th, 2022 minutes were approved; minutes are posted on school website

School and Community Updates:

-Cafeteria will open the week of October 11th. Due to a shortage of Aramark employees, 'grab and go' food items will be available until further notice.

-In September there were grade level assemblies reviewing school uniforms and other policies, procedures (lockdown, hold and secure), Catholic Code of Conduct expectations, and students' overall responsibilities

-Spirit Wear purchases will be offered again throughout the school year. Dates TBA. Students are encouraged to wear their Spirit Wear on Wednesdays. This year's grade 9 students will receive a complimentary Spirit Wear T-Shirt.

-Dufferin Peel uses the Power School system and schools are navigating the new student information system. Parents are encouraged to report a child's absence and/or late through school messenger.

-Academic Awards will be held in the new year of 2023. Date TBA.

-School office continues to collect gently used school uniforms (pants, shirts, sweaters, athletic wear)

-Upcoming Annual CSC school fundraiser: cash online donations. TBA

-Breakfast Club will continue to be offered to students beginning each morning at 7:45 am.

-St. Paul's offers 3 regional programs: IB, SHSM, and remote online learning. Amendment to the IB application will now require a student to submit a portfolio. Information for the Health and Wellness SHSM will be sent out to parents in the upcoming months.

-Parish Dates: First Communion and Confirmation -- TBA

Upcoming Events:

-Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, October 27th (focus will be on your child’s learning skills; responsibility, collaboration, independent work, self-regulation, initiative, and organization)

-Photo Retake will be on Tuesday, November 1st.

- Christmas Coffee House Event will be on Tuesday, December 20th. More information will be sent out.

-Many more activities and events are planned for STP this semester . Please follow St. Paul’s school’s Twitter and Instagram accounts **@StPaulCSS1**

-Next Catholic School Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 30th at 6:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME☺.

-School Council 2022-2023 Members:

Chair	Kyla Lepore
Secretary	Lesley Kotis
Treasurer	Margaret Taggart
Parish Representative	Debbie Cabral
OAPCE Representative	Maria Maffei
Council Member	Sandra Gauci
Teacher Representative	Cristina Reale
Staff Representative	Ivan Skoko
Student Representative	Cassandra Stevens
Principal	Peter Cusumano
Vice Principal	Derek McWilliam

Principal’s Items:

World Teachers’ Day Oct. 5/22

CSC Current Balance \$434.00 (CSC Funds went towards P. Davis Presentation and Digital Display)

Current STP Enrolment: In-Person Learners – 573; Remote Learners 168 = 742 Total

Grade 7/8 Open House and Info Night – Wed. November 23rd at 5:30 p.m.

Student Transitions – Guidance and Support Services doing grade 8 school presentations at feeder schools in the coming weeks

Grade 8 “Shadow Day” November 2nd – Grade 8s visiting STP for the Day to take part in STP Student Leadership Activities

Catholic School Council Chairs’ mtg to be held on Oct. 20 at 5:30pm

IB Application Process has been revised for all Regional IB Programs in Dufferin-Peel. Students will no longer be required to complete a pre-admission test. Instead, students are required to complete/submit a portfolio along with application

SHSM Health and Wellness has been introduced this year. Outline of program and opportunities presented

Monthly “Wolverine Pride” certificates are issued to students who are meeting personal goals and contributing to the STP community in a positive way – teacher nominated

Our STP Student Mental Health Champions are Sophia D. and Alexcia M.

Our STP Student Black Community Action Committee Reps are Emelda-Mary O. and Lauryn Kanny Esther F.

Suggested STP CSC Annual School Fundraiser: STP Arts Program

Suggested Parent Engagement Event: Student Mental Health and Well-Being