

St. Paul Catholic Secondary School
Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Catholic School Trustees:

-Bruno Iannicca and Mario Pascucci shared the importance of parent awareness when it comes to human trafficking. April 2023, Mississauga South Family of Schools invited parents to a Human trafficking presentation, with a focus on grooming children. A follow-up presentation will focus on educating parents and students about human trafficking through the use of technology. Potential dates are November 2023 or January 2024. An invitation will be sent to all parents via email.

STP Student Representative Report:

-Noah Hudon and Chiara Collaco shared the many sports and clubs that are being offered to students.

CSC Meeting Wednesday, June 7, 2023 minutes were approved

School and Community Updates:

-Welcome Chaplain Shane Byrne. Mr. Byrne will minister to students and staff as well as promote student expression of and commitment to faith within a Christian Community. (weekly student intentions, organizing Food Drives, school masses and student retreats)

-The cafeteria is open. Offering students a healthy hot or cold lunch.

-In September there were grade-level assemblies reviewing school uniforms, policies, procedures (lockdown, hold, and secure), 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 Spirit Wear sweater.

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

-Academic Awards will be held November 22/23.

-Breakfast of Champions – Dec 8/23. This event is held to celebrate and recognize student's achievements

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

-Upcoming Spring school fundraiser: cash online donations. TBA

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

-The 2022-2023 Yearbook is currently under review to ensure all students are reflected in the school community. Anticipated delivery in December.

-St. Paul's offers 3 unique programs: IB, SHSM – Health and Wellness, and Remote 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.

-The school Parish is St. Dominic Catholic Church at 625 Atwater Ave. Phone number 905-278-7762 and/or website: stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org.

Upcoming Events:

- Friday, October 6 is a PD Day (No school for students)
- Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, October 12th (focus will be on your child’s learning skills; responsibility, collaboration, independent work, self-regulation, initiative, and organization)
- Thursday, October 12th College and University Fair will be held in the school gym from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm.
- On Thursday, October 12 during parent/teacher interviews parents will be able to purchase gently used school uniforms
- October 21-22 Ontario Universities’ Fair 2023 will be held at the Metro Toronto Convention Center.
- Monday, November 1st is Take Your Child to Work. Grade 9 students are encouraged to job shadow a family member or trusted family friend.
- Tuesday, November 2nd Mid-Term: students will be informed of their course mark and the November 20th Mid-Term Report Card will be sent out to students.
- Tuesday, November 2nd-Peel Catholic Teachers’ Guild Mass Faith Formation for Parents at St. Francis Xavier Parish beginning at 4:30 pm. To register email: shane.byrne@dpccsb.org
- Wednesday, Nov. 8th Open House for all upcoming grade 7 & grade 8 students interested in attending St. Paul CSS.
- Saturday, November 11th is Remembrance Day.
- Friday, November 24th is a PD Day (No school for students)
- Please follow St. Paul’s school’s X @STPaulCSS1 and Instagram @stpaulccs1
- Next Catholic School Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 29th at 6:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME☺.

-School Council 2023-2024 Members:

Principal	Peter Cusumano
Vice Principal	Derek McWilliam
Chair	Kyla Lepore and Michelle Nucci
Secretary	Lesley Kotis
Treasurer	Margaret Taggart
Parish Representative	Carmen Jacques
OAPCE Representative	Maria Maffei
Council Members	Katarzyna Menendez, Ana Henriquez, Steve Starcevic
Teacher Representative	Cristina Reale and Anne Marie Miki
Staff Representative	Shane Byrne
Student Representative	Noah Hudon and Chiara Collaco