

## **School Council November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Minutes**

Overview of Last meeting minutes. Minutes were reviewed together, and motion was passed to approve the minutes.

Looking for a new OAPCE rep as current member rescinded the position. Member Christina Czernuszka showed interest and was voted in to the council as the OAPCE Representative

Reviewed standing items starting with Chair/Treasurer's report.

Treasurer report – no report

Chair Report (Tanya)

- discussed the Open House and about the feedback – the evening went well, the evening was well received and really built up the community and spirit of the school.
- Juanita mentioned that we have a new community safety representative. Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon and to communicate with her regarding any parental concerns regarding safety and security at the school.

Student Council Report

- The student council had a Pink Shirt Day in October for breast cancer awareness. Included food items like donuts to collect funds for the fundraising. Buy-out Teachers vs student basketball game to support.
- Halloween Dress Up for Halloween – had a successful day in the school and showed spirit. Also included some prizes for costume contest
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – Senior Sunrise – well received and attended by Grade 12 students.
- World Kindness Day – had activities in the school for leaving a positive impact.
- BINGO – Tues. Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in café with prizes like treats and prizes.
- International Cake Day – Tuesday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> – selling cakes in the cafeteria
- Grade wear was sorted and distributed this week for Grads who purchased – will be allowed to wear as part of their uniform for their Grade 12 year
- Semi-Formal – April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 – Currently selling tickets to get a deposit. At the Mississauga Convention Centre. Students were surveyed about going out of school to hall or to have at the school – Hall was chosen.
- Caribbean Student Union and Hispanic Student Union had events that supported their communities, sold food and created great supports for their groups. Punjabi Student Association had a cheesecake sale for their group.
- SHSM Café was well received over Halloween Week.
- Movember – blue shirt day and cookies to support the efforts of raising funds and awareness. Teacher/student volleyball game to support as a Buy-out.
- Currently planning for Christmas Spirit Week.

Principal Report

- Spoke about OFSSA championships for Girls Basketball and SR Boys Football

- Report Cards: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> reports were sent to students' email. Electronically sent going forward. Email was sent to families on how to download but needs to access through student email.
- Information about Inclement Weather Policy
  - We are in zone 2.
  - If school is closed (all facilities are closed) – everyone stays home
  - If school buses are cancelled means that schools remain open.
  - No live teaching for students who are at home due to weather. Practice work should be the norm – no new learning should be done. Opportunity for students to catch-up on work and to study.
  - Teachers will be advised to use this language to support students if they are home due to weather
- Exam/CPT's
  - End of December usually beings.
  - CPT's should be done in class. Limit work at home.
  - Exam Moratorium: From January 13<sup>th</sup> to January 22<sup>nd</sup> no NEW learning should be taught. Complete any last minute CPT's or working on Exam Review.
- Guest Speakers:
  - New Policy out from the Board. Speakers need to be vetted by the Board with a criminal background check.
  - Parents should be notified at least 2 weeks in advance if there is a guest speaker in the classroom.
- Activity/Yearbook Fee:
  - Fees cannot be combined due to Board policy change.
  - The activity fee was reviewed by a committee at the board level which discussed what should be charged and what shouldn't. Board level change
  - Currently fee is \$45 for Activity Fee and \$36 for the Yearbook
  - Discussion ensued regarding fees and costs
- Letter to be sent out to families regarding the School Council information, meeting dates, and information about having a virtual attendance for meetings.

#### Chaplaincy Report:

- Christmas Baskets: supporting families from St. Roch, St. Jean Vianney and Guardian Angel. Classroom collections, SchoolCashOnline donations to support. All proceeds to be used to support families with gift cards.

#### Parish Report:

- Knights of Columbus hosting Keep Christ in Christmas contest
- Youth Ministry offer EDGE and LifeTeen
- Fundraising to get to \$60,000
- KOC dinner dance at the Polish Cottage Hall at December 16<sup>th</sup> \$50

Information/Updates: See Agenda

CCCSC Report (see Agenda for info)

OAPCE meeting virtually in December

Conference in spring in Dufferin-Peel Region

**Action Items:**

Civvies Day Discussion – Civvies to not happen due to safety in the school as well there are many opportunities for spirit days for students to wear items that aren't uniform.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50pm

Next meeting Monday February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm