



# St. Sebastian Catholic Elementary School

*"Soldiers of Faith, Endurance and Freedom"*

## MINUTES

**Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

*6:30 p.m. Library*

**A. Opening Prayer / Land Acknowledgement**

**B. Introductions**

**In Attendance**

Sharon Hobin, Dion Marchand, Jeff Daly, Moya Marr, Marisa Gentile, Jennifer Ciccone, Jennifer Tran

**Regrets**

Angela Longerich, Vanessa Menzies, George Ling, Sam Welch, Matthew Trudgill

**C. Review and Approval of Agenda**

- Motion to approve – Marisa Gentile

**D. Review and Approval of Minutes – January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

- Motion to approve – Marisa Gentile

**E. Update from the Chair – Moya Marr**

- Shrove Tuesday preparations are under way. I will be sending out an email request for volunteers shortly. We have secured the waffle irons courtesy of Waffles International. Supplies still need to be purchased. A layout request for the gym has been sent to the Head Custodian. We will need volunteers from Council to come in to mix waffle batter and preheat irons before the rest of the volunteers arrive. Letter seeking parent/guardian permission with allergy information to be copied and distributed. \$2 donation to be requested for Sharelife
- We visited the picket lines to show support to our teachers. With the individual donations from Council members we were able to bring them coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. We printed labels and affixed them to each cup. The labels read "We respect you, we value you, we support you." This small gesture was very much appreciated and many teachers have come forward to thank us individually for this.

**F. Update from the Treasurer – no report given**

G. **Update from the Fundraising Chair** – no update

H. **Parish Representative Report** – no report

I. **OAPCE Report**

- The next meeting is March 25, 2020

J. **Principal's Report** – Dion Marchand

**Budget Review:**

- Review of SGF monthly expenditures YTD Report (These reports can be found on our school website)

**Academics:**

- Report cards sent home on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and interviews were on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- School speeches competition will take place on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> 2020 in the gym.
- MN Speech Competition will take place on Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at Divine Mercy

**Athletics:** All athletics have been postponed until further notice

- Jr. Boys Basketball intermediate (Tournament at Mt. Carmel February 20<sup>th</sup>)
- Jr. Girls Soccer (Tournament March 4<sup>th</sup>)
- Jr. Boys Soccer (Tournament (Tournament March 5<sup>th</sup>)
- Int. Girls Soccer (Tournament March 25<sup>th</sup>)
- Int. Boys Soccer (Tournament March 26<sup>th</sup>)

**Black History Month:**

- Numerous class activities throughout month
- African Drumming Presentation(s) on Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> 2020
- Fr. Ricard Presentation for Intermediates at SJOA Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Spirit Wear:**

- Website active until February 28<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Charity:**

- Valentine's Dance Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 2020
- Strove Tuesday on Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>
- Eden Food Bank Toonie drive prior to Easter (dates TBD)

**Important dates:**

<i>Feb. 11<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>St. Sebastian Speech Competition</i>
<i>Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Valentine's Dance fundraiser for Sharelife</i>
<i>Feb. 17<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Family Day / No school</i>
<i>Feb. 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Miss.North Family of Schools Speech Competition at Divine Mercy</i>

<i>Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>African Drumming Presentation</i>
<i>Feb. 25<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Shrove Tuesday</i>
<i>Feb. 26<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ash Wednesday 1:30pm in gym</i>
<i>Feb. 26<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Pink Shirt Day Students</i>
<i>Feb. 28<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Virtues Assemblies</i>
<i>Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>X Dance Movement</i>
<i>Mar. 4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>First Communion / First Reconciliation 6:00-9:00pm at Church</i>
<i>Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>March Break</i>

**K. Trustees Report**

- Teachers OECTA in negotiations
- Ministry of Education, various unions, and various trustee associations are at the table
- Negotiations are different now because of social media
- Letters on website [www.dpcdsb.org](http://www.dpcdsb.org) under archive
- Budget in to Ministry of Education June 2019 with no deficit - \$16.8 million cut
- Grade 7/8 EDWIN program expensive but successful
- Starting conversation with NASA for a joint program with elementary students
- Human Trafficking Seminar with Peel Region Police coming up in April

**L. Motion to Adjourn – Marisa Gentile**