



**ST . EDITH STEIN SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

MINUTES OF MEETING – Dec 4, 2019

Attendees Present: K. Ferrao, V. D’Silva, A. Sol-Cruz, N. Lobo, A. Docker, K. Roach, M. Habashy, J. Carvajal, R. Barbic, J. Rosario, A. Medeiros,

Absent: A. Labbe, S. McIntyre, D. Mitra, B. Stanger, D. Davidson, T. Stebbings, K. Melo, S. King, P. Pancras, Z. Ata, S. De Melo

	Agenda Item	Action Taken
1.	Welcome	Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by A. Sol-Cruz
2.	Opening Prayer	The Opening Prayer by A. Docker followed by acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory by K. Ferrao
3.	Other/New Items	Kevin – Brave Education
4.	Approval of Agenda Acceptance of Oct 22, 2019 Minutes	<p>Motion to approve by J. Carvajal Motion seconded by V. D’Silva Motion carried</p> <p>Motion to approve by A. Docker Motion seconded by K. Roach Motion Carried</p>
5.	Guest Speaker	<p>Origin story – started off in a Karate school in downtown Brampton Parent workshop – bullying vs. conflict, when should parents step in, organize 2 sessions a week.\$450 Workshop is only for parents, organize movie night for children Teaching kids how to stand up for themselves, instead of fighting back Role playing to enforce the learning in children’s minds</p> <p>Council vote in favor – inquire to book for Friday, Jan 24th Consider 2 sessions, review logistics of movie night</p>
6.	Council Updates/On-going Business	<p>Bazaar update 2018 – raised \$5,642 2019 – raised almost \$7,000 Raffles 1,121 Bake Shop 1,694 Henna 179 Santa 376 Vendors 3350</p> <p>Extremely well organized event, recognized by all Amazing volunteers, All zones did a wonderful job Raffles did really well, lots of prizes. Will de-brief in an upcoming meeting to review new ideas and improvements. Thank you letters to vendors will be sent by e-mail, as well as for donors, volunteers, entertainers etc.</p> <p>Council voted in favor of 2020 Bazaar, Nov 14th</p> <p>Christmas concert – Council will say a “Thank You” presentation to the community, include photo slideshow Christmas cookies for each student from Council, appreciation for a successful Bazaar Raffle tickets – more than 19 families ordered tickets</p>

		<p>Christmas mass – will consider snack donations and hot chocolate</p> <p>Shrove Tuesday Feb 25 – looking for volunteers</p> <p>Write a letter from Parent Council to Quaker, requesting for donations of Aunt Jemima Pancake mix</p>
7.	Chairs Update	Meeting Schedule – we need to reschedule meetings (cannot be Tuesday or Wednesday) Dufferin Peel 50th Anniversary Gala- N. Lobo / Principal K. Ferrao
9.	Treasurers Update	Current balance: \$10,000 plus
10.	Parish Rep Update	First Communion students presented lambs Confirmation meeting this weekend Breakfast with Santa – 10am-12pm Looking for Children’s Liturgy volunteers
11.	OAPCE	Waiting for the date
12.	Principal’s report- Ms. Ferrao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembrance Day was successful – lovely liturgy put together by Mrs. Wallace. YFAs helped with the liturgy. We were blessed to have Brian Masson, a retired teacher, bring an interactive Remembrance Day display. Students had the opportunity to touch/try on uniforms, attempt to lift a 60kg bag which represented what the veterans would have had to carry daily, on top of their rifle. They saw shrapnel, letters, newspapers, money, etc. that would have been used on army bases during the war. • Thank you to School Council and Bazaar committee – fantastic event! Almost 1000 people attended. People commented about the great organization of the event. • Great school with an awesome staff – many staff members interviewed all of their students especially to prepare them for Gr. 1 or for moving forward to Gr. 9. • Junior and Intermediate students represented the school in the Math Mania Competition at St. Faustina – great competitors; coaches Mrs. Yamich and Mrs. Seung enjoyed working with them • Intermediate Girls made it to the Family tournament, true grit and teamwork, missed advancing by 3 points. Coached by Mrs. Di Vito • Intermediate Boys had a good season too – coached by Ms. B & Mrs. Wolf • Applied for and had 2 experiential learning grants approved. One will support the introduction of a Lego Mechanics team. The other will allow us to build a VEX IQ Robotics team. There will be a junior and intermediate team for both events. This will start as a club. Students will work in teams and we will select those who demonstrate the best collaboration, organizational, and problem solving skills to be part of the teams that represent our school in the DPCDSB Skills Competition on April 16th at the Paramount Centre. Winners from that competition will represent our Board at the Provincial competition on May 4th. I hope to build on the number of events that we enter throughout my tenure here at St. Edith Stein. • Our Youth Education Officer will be coming in December 9, Jan. 8th and Jan. 10th to visit classes. For most classes he will be doing anti-bullying workshops. He will give the grade 6s an introduction to the law and with the grade 8s he will discuss healthy relationships. • I have booked Brave Education to come in and work with our students to help them develop conflict resolution skills. They teach in the moment communication skills through role play in each classroom. The focus will be on teaching students how to set boundaries in relationships by using body language and tone of voice. These workshops will take place on January 16 & 17th all day. This will be paid for using profits from pizza and sub sales. • I would like to book a workshop to help students learn about wellness. One of the workshops I am considering is Aussie X games. I know that they have come into this school in the past and were well received. I would like to invite them to teach a lesson on mindfulness using Tai Chi. One workshop would cost around \$7 per student. • Thanks to great community support the sock drive for Jordan was a huge success. We surpassed our goal of 500 pairs of socks – the final total for St. Edith Stein was 927 pairs of socks. Should any more come in, we will call Jordan’s dad to pick them up and update our total. • One of the conversations at the public meeting that was held to discuss speeding on Osprey Blvd. was a discussion about concerns for parents exiting the driveway of the school. There is a “No Parking” zone in front of the school, marked by signs. Police will start enforcing this zone and people will get tickets for parking illegally. Drivers will need to park legally to avoid these tickets. • We will be starting a St. Edith Stein Snack Shack in January. We will sell popcorn and veggie

		chips twice a week. These items will cost \$2 per bag. Purchasing may be done using SchoolCashOnline or cash. Those who order online will be guaranteed their orders.
13.	Teachers Update	<p>Ms. Notaro's leave has been extended to the end of January. Mrs. Cicvaric will be assisting Mrs. Gasparini until she returns.</p> <p>\$329 Raz kids – renewal on Dec 15th grades 1-4 +\$100 for SK children Total \$429 (USD) Parent Council in favor</p> <p>2 classrooms need Smart boards, 1 Kindergarten, 1 Grade 7 class. considering requesting donations from parents, Mrs. Ferrao to get Board approval for request \$3,500 each</p> <p>School Cash online up 40% from last year</p> <p>Playground signing – K. Ferrao reviewing grant paperwork (up to \$600) to split the cost with Council Grant will not be processed until next year, we could do half painting this year, half next year.</p> <p>\$100 per class towards crafts – Council in favor; approved</p> <p>Gifts for virtues -</p> <p>Council is requesting Christmas Donations for School Lobby, looking into new Bazaar signs.</p>
14.	Next Meeting	<p>Thurs, Feb 13</p> <p>Mon, Apr 20</p> <p>Thurs, Jun 4</p>
15.	Adjourn Meeting	<p>Motion to adjourn – N. Lobo</p> <p>Motion seconded – A. Docker</p>
16.	Closing Prayer	N. Lobo said the closing prayer and all prayed the Hail Mary