



Monday January 30, 2023 at 7 pm

Attendees Present: Patricia Pancras, Cecilia Onyia, Rana Sawaya, Vanessa D’Silva, Natalia Lobo, Jazmin Carvajal, Jenna Da Silva, Caroline Feranc, Allison Docker, Anne Sol Cruz, Sarah Roach, Fabiana Triviana, Jessica Wong, Rachael Litwinenko, Dharshini Tarcisius-Mitra, Ashley Santos, Swani Recio, Kathy Roach

Nominated but Absent: Sigrid D’Mello

Agenda Item		Key Notes
1.	Welcome	Welcome by Rana S Meeting called to order 7 pm
2.	Opening Prayer	Opening Prayer by Rana Land Acknowledgment We begin by acknowledging the land and our responsibility to care for and respect all that Creation gives to provide us with life. This land upon which we live, work and sustain ourselves is the ancestral and treaty lands of the Michizaagiig Anishinaabek also known today as the Mississaugas of the Credit, the rightful caretakers and titleholders of this land. We also recognize that this land is rich in pre-contact history and relationships, which includes the Anishinaabek and Onkwehonwe and since European contact has and continues to become home for Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. As a responsible community we believe all people are sacred and possess inherent and immeasurable worth and dignity. Colonialism displaced and dispossessed Indigenous Peoples of their ancestral lands and continues to deny their basic human rights, dignities and freedoms. We are committed to the sacrament of reconciliation, making reparations and fulfilling our treaty obligations, duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Gdoo-naaganinaa (Dish with One Spoon) wampum. This treaty governs and affirms that we actively maintain mutually beneficial relationships and collectively respect and care for the land, water, animals and each other in order to guarantee a good life for our future descendants.
3.	Review of November 14, 2022 Minutes Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve: Anne S Motion seconded by: Sarah R Motion carried Motion to approve: Natalia L Motion seconded by: Vanessa D Motion carried
4.	Chairs Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on funding to support school needs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Pancake Tuesday Supply- up to \$400 approved ➢ Youth faith ambassadors funds – \$400 approved ➢ Outdoor kindergarten equipment –\$600 approved ➢ Freezies for hot days – up to \$200 approved ➢ <i>Additional items discussed and for follow-up at next meeting:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Basketball net (outdoor school playground) ■ Bike racks ■ Gym screen ■ Gym stairs ■ Sports jerseys ■ Church donation to St Josephine Bakhita • Pancake Tuesday Feb 21, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Volunteers needed 8:15 am start time ➢ Supplies needed (all are approximate) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aunt Jemima Complete (nut free brand) mix (25)



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5.	Treasurers Update	Current balance, approximately \$9900
6.	Principal's report- Ms. Ferrao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased registration – now at 270 students and expecting 2 more shortly ● Raptors 905 trip was booked. Most students are attending. There are about 20 students staying back. Arrangements have been made for them to be with other teachers. ● We were fortunate to have Mrs. Schmid as our Literacy Lead. She started in December. This is her last week. Mrs. Schmid worked with teachers in grades K-2 to develop literacy programs to support students. ● We thank Mrs. Oniya for bringing in her baby to one of our Kindergarten classrooms to help the students in the class learn about empathy. The program is called Roots of Empathy. One of our itinerant Child Youth Workers, Mrs. Wigglesworth, is trained in this program. She is delivering the program and having the baby there, the students are learning what it means to empathize with the baby. We may be able to do it again next year if someone else is willing to bring a baby (starts with a 4 month old) to a classroom. ● We are grateful to our staff for stepping up to coach a variety of teams. Mr. Ivano and Mrs. Ejenchart have already begun practices for the intermediate soccer team. The Junior basketball season would have been too short to help students build skills they did not have an opportunity to build because of the pandemic. To give students a chance to practice and develop skills, Ms. Slade and Mr. Cordeiro are coaching grade 6-8 students interested in playing basketball. They will be ready for the intermediate volleyball season that starts shortly. Mississauga North Athletics has changed its format. Students will now participate in a one-day tournament to determine the finalists for the Family of Schools finals. Having this opportunity means students have much more time to practice and develop skills and games no longer interfere with students' extra-curricular activities such as hockey. ● Mme. Habashy, Mrs. D'Souza, Mrs. DeMelo, Mrs. Ribeiro, and Mrs. Di Vito will be coaching the chess team. This team is open to students from grades 1-8. So far, over a hundred students are participating. We will have to have a school tournament to determine who goes forward to the Family of Schools Tournament. ● Mrs. Habashy is our Eco Lead and she is running the Eco team. Mrs. Ejenchart is helping with the Eco team and will be initiating a new focus for our school. Mrs. Ribeiro has joined in the fun. Expect new and wonderful ideas for supporting stewardship amongst our students and staff. We are aiming to be platinum again. You will notice that Mrs. Ribeiro and the Eco team have taken over the bulletin board in the foyer to advertise their initiatives. ● Mrs. Allen, Mrs. DiVito, Mrs. Thrasher, and Mrs. Vago continue working with the YFA. They have some exciting plans for February and the virtue of Respect. Throughout February, we focus on the Virtue of Respect. To compliment this, our YFAs will be creating a "Forest of Respect" in the front foyer. Throughout the month of February, each time a student demonstrates a gesture of respect, to a friend/classmate, the student who displayed the respectful act will write about it or illustrate it on colourful paper heart. Completed hearts will be displayed on one of our respect trees. We're sure with



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		<p>our Stein school spirit, we will have many colourful hearts in our Forest of Respect by the end of the month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February is Black History Month. We will be celebrating the wonderful accomplishments and contributions of all Black Canadians. We will be making announcements each day to honour Black Brilliance. • The school board has purchased identity resources for all schools. We have received ours and teachers will be signing them out to use in their classes. • Mrs. Ribeiro and I will be directing the school choir. We have a trip planned for them. The School Board office was looking for school choirs to share their musical talents to enhance the celebration of Mass with Monsignor Joe Shields. I have known Monsignor Shields since coming into the country. We will be singing at mass on March 29. Parents are welcome to join us. The Board is paying for the bus. They will also offer treats for the students (and parents) after mass. • St. Edith Stein is a small school with a big heart. Students are in the process of creating Valentine's cards that will be donated to a senior centre to brighten up their day. The collection has already begun. • The Intermediate trip has been booked for June 1st. This will be an extended day trip. • Grade 5/6 and 6/7 classes have a trip booked in May for Silvercreek. • Other teachers are still in the process of considering new opportunities for their students. • EQAO scores, one can find our scores by going to the EQAO website looking for 'find my school'; type in the postal code with no space; our school comes up as Saint Edith Stein • Dental screening: April 6 and 11th- JK, SK, grades 2, 4, 6 and 8
7.	Parish Rep update	Seeking volunteers from elementary to high school; contact Parish First communion (May 6, 12 noon) and confirmation (May 9, 6pm)
8.	Teachers update	Bookfair first week of May Wasteless lunch month coming up in Eco Club Promoting Eco ideas via announcements in February
9.	Other Items	Valentine's Day Fun: Name that Tune
10.	Next Meeting	Monday April 24th (last of school year)
11.	Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer by: Rana B
12.	Adjourn Meeting	Motion to adjourn: Jazmin C Motion seconded by: Dharshini T Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm