



St. Francis Xavier Elementary School

"Together We Grow in Mind and Spirit."

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December 5th 2018 School Council Minutes

12.05.2018 at 6:30 PM | Meeting called to order by Catherine Ambrose

In Attendance

Arlene Aguilar, Principal	Amy Donnelly
Amanda Hapek, Staff Rep	Crystal Onilla
Anna DaSilva, Trustee	Krystal Disch
Catherine Ambrose, Secretary	Sarah Evans
Maureen Baldino, Non Staff Rep	Judy Tavares
Renee Crone, Community Rep	
Stefanie Cachia, Parish Rep	

Regrets: Chris French, Council Chair; Samantha MacNeil, OAPCE Rep; Matthew Fortier, Treasurer

Welcome and Opening Prayer | 6:30 PM

Catherine Ambrose appointed Chair in absence of Chris French. Amanda Hapek appointed Secretary.

Approval of Minutes from November 8th, 2018 Meeting | 6:32 PM

The minutes were read from the November meeting and approved. Approved by Catherine Ambrose; second by Maureen Baldino.

Parish Rep's Report | 6:35 PM

- Time for everyone to pick up envelopes for the year. Pick up any set not looking for your name, just fill in the first 3 with your name and address.
 - It is advent there are many opportunities for confession.
 - This Friday has a lighting up of Christmas.
 - We can have a blurb in the parish bulletin about our school; 6 aligned to the parish.
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OAPCE Report | 6:38 PM

No update

Principal's Report | 6:38 PM

- Advent mass today at school.
 - Confession for 3-8 students with Fr. Loberio and Fr. Patrick
 - Remembrance Day/virtue assembly – grade 8
 - High school applications come in January
 - Grade 7/8 classes will get a Chrome book. Use of EDWIN. Everything is online and cloud based. Students will take them home and parents will sign a release. By January, everyone will have it. Piolet Project
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- Healthy Hearts - this year we will launch our Wellness Wednesdays. Wellness Wednesday will have a different focus each week – 10-15 minutes in from break to take time to relax and pause. Start before Christmas, full swing in January.
- December – social outreach. Very generous! Over 200 shoe boxes collected. Delivered to Dr. Simone. Outreach for cram the cruiser for food drive and gift cards.

Trustee Report | 6:46 PM

- Inaugural meeting – selected new chairs and 2 new trustees
- Anna e-mailed about a survey that can be completed. Fortheparents.ca PC government is not consulting with trustees going directly to the public. We want parents to call in and complete the survey.
- Parental bill of rights – Tanya brought for a motion for a parental bill of rights. You would have rights over any legislation that have been brought forth e.g. around mental health, euthanasia. Give parents ultimate authority over under aged children.
- New document about cost cutting and reductions. Asked us to contribute information about what can be done to reduce spending. A response is being sent from the ministry to the board. The one that is in existence has been in place from 1998. Government controls 98% of money coming in. The board is looking for more flexibility to allocate the money – recommendation. In contract negotiations, school doesn't have management rights that it should have.
- Holy name of Mary is getting an addition put on. The school will be hosted at another school (old Loyola high school). Transportation given, time may change.

Treasurer's Report | 7:05 PM

No update

Other Business | 7:05 PM

Christmas Concert/Family Night Event

- Event planning page sent out. Everything is set, hot chocolate is ordered \$1, cookies ordered \$1, crafts ready, gingerbread selling 60, some damaged boxes, only 10 boxes or so left. Thank you letter requested. Letter for raffle donations appreciated. Mrs. Pacheco donated an item and gift cards left. E-mail if anything else. 8/9 donations given for raffles. Have cash flow. "Promotional Draw" not raffle. Tickets \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 15 for \$10

Math Night Update

- Sourced best practices around math curriculum night. Start with presenter and then discuss with teachers. Trevor Brown used by other boards – used to be a teacher. Uses current curriculum. MLSE very focussed on hockey and math gr 5-7, at risk students (Steve absent was going to present). We need to decide what the main goal is. Arlene emailed math co-ordinators but for them to do PD sessions at one school would be problematic. The messaging isn't condoned. Survey to the parents. Need to find out what the logistics are around surveying data. To be revisited.

MLSE Program

- Information circulated; discussed within Math Night Update.

Peel District School Board Survey

- Completed in 2016-2017, next one will be in 2019. Completed by all students in grades 4-12 across Dufferin-Peel

Next Meeting

January 31st, 2019 | 6:30 – 7:30 PM, School Library

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:45 PM and was passed unanimously.