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ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
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Meeting	Minutes to the School Council Meeting	
Date	March 8, 2023 6:30pm – 8:30pm School Library	
Opening Prayer / Land Acknowledgement		
Introduction	Welcome and introduction of all present  <u>In Attendance (12):</u> Cathrine Duke, Linda Marcuzzi, Kelly Silva, Joy Lusk, Robin Patinios, Lorraine Pereira, Andrea D’Souza, Kathleen D’Souza, Alex Piasecka, Fred Mathews, Alia Vaz, Michelle Main.  <u>Absent (2):</u> Steffi Jose, Agnes Madej	
Approval of Agenda	Agenda for the March 8, 2023 meeting was previously distributed.	<b>Motion:</b> “The agenda of the meeting held on March 8, 2023 be Accepted”  <b>Moved:</b> Robin Patinios <b>First:</b> Andrea D’Souza <b>Second:</b> Alex Piasecka <b>Carried</b>
Approval of Previous Minutes	Minutes from the meeting held on January 25, 2023 were previously distributed.	<b>Motion:</b> With a couple amendments noted, “The minutes of the meeting held on January 23, 2023 be Accepted”  <b>Moved:</b> Robin Patinios <b>First:</b> Lorraine Pereira <b>Second:</b> Kathleen D’Souza <b>Carried</b>
Treasurer Report	● See attached Treasure Report – March 8, 2023	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Funds Available as of March 8, 2023 - \$949.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Funds Paid as of March 8, 2023 \$ 3,247.</li> <li>○ Fund Committed but Not Paid. \$ 4,690.</li> <li>○ Total Commitment to 2022-2023 Year: \$7, 937.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Fundraising Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No Updated Provided</li> <li>● We will vote at the May meeting what Fundraiser we want to do in Fall 2023.</li> </ul> <p><b>What action is required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Andrea to organize fundraising options for Parent Council to vote on.</li> </ul>
<b>OAPCE Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No Updated Provided</li> </ul>
<b>Parish Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass - Fridays, 7pm</li> <li>● Lenten Parish Reconciliation - Thursday, March 23rd, 7:00pm-9:00pm</li> <li>● Baby Bottle Campaign             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Knights of Columbus Council 12706 at St. John of the Cross Parish are participating in the Baby Bottle Campaign 2023 in support of JFJ Hope Centre. The BBC 2023 will run from March 11th until March 26th.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Children’s Choir - Saturdays 10:00am</li> <li>● The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Coffee Sunday after all Masses next weekend, March 11-12</li> <li>● The SJOC Parish Women’s Group is inviting all ladies for a Church Cleaning on Saturday, March 18th, 11am-2:30pm.</li> <li>● <b>March for Life – May 11<sup>th</sup></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Some ideas for schools :</a></li> <li>○ <a href="https://cultureoflifestudies.com/8086-2/?et_fb=1">https://cultureoflifestudies.com/8086-2/?et_fb=1</a></li> <li>○ <a href="https://diojeffcity.org/blog/2021/09/24/suggestions-for-pro-life-activities-in-schools-and-parishes/">https://diojeffcity.org/blog/2021/09/24/suggestions-for-pro-life-activities-in-schools-and-parishes/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Examples:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In English write essays or poems or read an essay or poem that promotes the pro-life message</li> <li>○ In Art class create images of pro-life</li> <li>○ In Theology class teach about human dignity and why Catholicism fights for life</li> <li>○ Teach current events lessons on specific life issues.</li> <li>○ Create a bulletin board with a respect life theme.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Mother Teresa: No Greater Love</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Movie showing on Saturday March 25, at Nessinger Hall.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



<b>Principal Report</b>	<p><b><u>Catholic Faith Life</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rosary of Apostolates continues monthly</li><li>• Reconciliation took place on Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> for grades 3,4,5,6,8</li><li>• We were supported by our parish priests and 5 other associate priests</li><li>• Our school has been featured at St. John of the Cross Bulletin Board (Mrs. Mill's class Gr 5/6)</li><li>• Season of Lent activities and reflections within the classrooms</li><li>• Whole School Faith Day will take place on Holy Thursday (April 6<sup>th</sup>). Students will be involved in a series of faith based activities, liturgy and Stations of the Cross. Each student will receive a fresh pretzel purchased through Dimpflmeier Bakery</li><li>• Stewarts of the Earth - YFA's and ECO are organizing announcements and activities with a focus on the earth and heath (Big Gulp, Big Crunch, Earth Hour, Recycling messages...)</li><li>• The Big Crunch – March 9<sup>th</sup> to support healthy eating (ECO Team)</li></ul> <p><b><u>Assessment For, As and of Learning</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All Star Reading Program will be starting up in the beginning of April and we are looking for parent volunteers with an updated Criminal Reference Check who are interested in working with our readers. New resource has been purchased and training will be given to those who volunteer</li><li>• Primary classes currently using Snuggle Up &amp; Read program or online Spark reading program to support additional reading at home</li><li>• Primary teachers have signed up for Scientists in the School</li></ul> <p><b><u>General Updates</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Catholic Education Week: May 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Carnival: May 4<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Jump Rope For Heart: May 5<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Mother of Mary Celebration: May 10<sup>th</sup> (whole school &amp; community invited)</li><li>• FDK Registration is continuing- Journey Into Learning will take place on May 18<sup>th</sup> (6:00pm – 7:30pm)</li><li>• Parent Engagement Grant has been forwarded - \$500</li><li>• Dental Screening will take place March 28<sup>th</sup> &amp; 29<sup>th</sup> for all students in grades FDK,2,4,6, 8 (unless parents decline consent)</li><li>• Intramurals for Junior and Intermediate students is running from March 2<sup>nd</sup> until March 31<sup>st</sup></li><li>• Chess Club is up and going again for Intermediate students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with the tournament happening on March 30<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Games/Lego Club continues to be a success and students are enjoying the creativity</li></ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Primary Book Club is also running on Wednesday and is supported by: Ms. Rainaldi</li><li>• February 10<sup>th</sup>: Paul Davis presents Digital Citizenship/Internet Safety to all junior and intermediate students – he will not be able to meet with parents for a Parent Engagement Night</li><li>• Gr 4 Extended French applications are in and we are waiting for approval from Senior Executive Council to confirm our class size. To date we have 28 students who have applied</li><li>• Drums Et Al Presentation on April 19<sup>th</sup> – Nigerian drummer focusing on building up team spirit and self-confidence using African poly-rhythm as a metaphor. Music is employed as a practical vehicle representing Ubuntu (humanity) showing our interconnectedness as a community. Rhythm is not a science or art-form; it is an extension of our humanity.</li></ul> <p><b><u>Wish List</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Classroom games (16 classes @ \$75each approx.)</li><li>• Partial cover of pretzels \$400</li><li>• <b>Motion:</b> “To allocate the following funds for the 2022-2023 calendar.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Add: Faith Day Pretzels \$400.</li><li>○ Delete: Paul Davis – Parent Engagement Night - \$800 (He is not available this year)</li><li>○ Switch Dance Artist \$800 to Board Game Purchases \$800.</li><li>○ <b>Moved:</b> Robin Patinios</li><li>○ <b>First:</b> Andrea D’Souza</li><li>○ <b>Second:</b> Alex Piasecka</li><li>○ <b>Carried</b></li></ul></li></ul> <p><b>What action is required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robin to investigate buying Graduation Blowups verse organizing a Balloon Arch &amp; Pillars.</li><li>• Robin to organize Boardgame Collection from school community. Distribute a flyer to parents asking for donations and Parent Council will collect the games and review donated items to ensure all pieces are there.</li></ul>
<b>Chair Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Special Thank You to Joy for organizing the Steelheads game for the students, they had a fantastic time.</li><li>• Special Thank You to the teachers who are leading all the lunchtime ‘extra’ activities: Book Club, Lego Club, Intermural Sports. The energy in the school is very electric at the moment and students are really engaged.</li><li>• Congratulations to Fred &amp; Nancy Mathews who welcomed their son Jude in January.</li><li>• See Volunteer Excel below for School Upcoming Events</li></ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Looking for volunteers for All Star Reading Program</li> <li>● Parent Engagement Event, welcoming Niigaan Sinclair, who will be presenting Healthy Hallways and Creative Classrooms: Reconciling Schools.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 6:30 pm for all to attend at the Catholic Education Centre.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>New Business</b>	
<b>Closing Meeting</b>	<p>“A motion is made to end the meeting.”</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Robin Patinios <b>First:</b> Lorraine Pereira <b>Second:</b> Kathleen D’Souza <b>Carried</b></p>

Month	Week (Date)	Time	Event	# Vounteers Needed
March	Wed March 1st	9:30am - 3pm	Mississauga Steelhead Game: Gr. 4-7	14
April	Thurs April 6	9:30am - 10:30am	Faith Day: Pretzel	3
May	Friday May 5	4 Shifts	Jump Rope for Heart - All Grades	4
	Thursday May 18	6:00 - 7:30pm	Welcome to Kindergarden Night	1
			Parent Engagement Night: Math Night(TBD)	
			Sacramental Ice-Cream Liturgy: Gr 2 & 7's	3

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday May 10, 2023 – 6:30pm**

- **Need to schedule - Volunteer Appreciation Meeting**