



## All Saints Catholic Elementary School

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*Mission: Disciples of Christ, nurturing mind, body, and soul to the fullness of life.*

*Vision: Changing the world through Catholic education.*

### Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes

**Date: Monday March 24, 2025**

**Time: 7:00p.m. to 8:30p.m.**

**Location: All Saints Library (4105 Colonial Drive, Mississauga, ON L5L 4E8)**

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#### A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Krista Mountjoy, Anabelle DaCosta, Tammy Pammenter,  
Ewelina Leonard, Jon Newlands, Andrea Petersen, Maby Boado, Malaika Kanavalli,  
Carmelina Seracino, Anna Breous, Karen Kim, Jessica Liu, Niki Hajicosti, Mara Da  
Camara, Rosemarie Belan, Keri Bedeau, Karen Kim, Tracy Real  
Virtual Attendees: Jennifer Pereira, Flavian De Souza

2. Opening Prayer – Jennifer Pereira

3. Land Acknowledgement - Krista

4. Approval of Agenda – Karen, Mara

5. Approval of Catholic School Council Minutes from February 24, 2025 – Anna, Mara

#### B. Trustee Update (if applicable)

Deferred

#### C. Standing Items

1. Chair's Report

- Frozen yogurt – steady, 150 orders per week, will likely increase come warmer weather. Delivered by ASD students Thursday at lunch. Kids can come to the room with \$2 on the day of if there are extras.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Fundraising
- We are currently sitting at \$11,992.78
- In February 2025 – we are sitting in between where we've been in previous years
- For the cost to run, Frozen yogurt yields the best
- Current report doesn't yet show cheque that we received from Christmas Catalogue fundraiser – profit from that was around \$2000
- We won't receive monies for Spirit Wear fundraiser likely until June
- Our turn this year for random Audits by the Board
- Keep in mind financial reconciliations are always a month behind
- Teachers haven't requested anything as far as funds – so far we have set aside donations towards library and art show.
- Money for the new foldable tables hasn't come out yet

### 3. Principal Report

#### a. Library refresh is complete:

- Waiting to get the Books
- Final cost – saved on the taxes, final cheque was \$16,500
- Now looking at updating the furniture – have to use Staples as the vendor
- We had budgeted \$5k from the school, hoping that council will forward money from Christmas catalogue, and Little Ceasars (total \$3000k), and Mrs. Da Costa has money from book fairs to put towards, \$2000K - will give us \$10k
- Looking at large rectangular bar height tables x 2
- 4 of the regular bistro tables, and 2 high bistro tables, and chairs to go with them
- If there is money leftover – nested furniture, Coffee table height, cozy square puffy seats that will slide inside it; tub chairs with swivel trays
- Orders have to go in before middle of April 15 to hit this year's budget

#### b. Fire drills and lockdowns:

- as we are entering the Spring Months, we have to have our standard Fire Drills and Lockdown practices for the Spring. We will have one drill in March, April and May as well as a Lockdown practice in May to be in compliance with board regulations.

#### c. **Annual Offence Declarations:** reminder that any parents who have a criminal reference check on file that was not submitted this school year, will have to complete the annual offence declaration by Monday March 31 to remain in good standing to volunteer. If a new CRC has been submitted this year, then you will not need the annual offence declaration to be completed until next year.

#### d. **Acadience Screening:** All Students from SK-G2 are to be screened for phonological awareness and early literacy development in accordance with the ministry Right to Read Report. All Students will have their progress with meeting ministry standards recorded on their Report Card. All students were screened initially in November and reported on the term 1 report card. Any students who did not meet the benchmark will be rescreened over the next week. Most of our students have had the rescreening completed. Only a few students are still outstanding from French Immersion.

#### e. **School Financial Audit:** All Saints will be engaging in a financial audit. All schools are audited in a rotation and it is All Saints turn. We have been asked to share Council Chair and treasurer contact information with the assessor, Kevin Sun who may reach out to you.

#### f. Trip News:

- **Elementary Board Skills Competition** – On Thursday March 27, All Saints has three teams competing at St. Raymond at the board Skills Competition. We have two intermediate teams competing in the Vex Robotics Challenge and the Workplace Safety Challenge in addition to one Junior team competing in Character Animation.
- **Wellness Leadership Conference** – Students from Grade 7 & 8 on our school wellness team will be representing All Saints at the Spring Wellness Conference at Blessed Trinity on April 1.
- **Peel Children's Water Festival:** May 22 – Heart Lake Conservation Centre for Grade 2-5 students.
  - Volunteers – can we be advised ahead of time so we can book the time off
  - Lego trip – only allowed to have a certain # of volunteers there
  - There won't be a limit for the Peel Waterfront Festival

- For Legoland there was a class that didn't have enough volunteers, so volunteers from 1 class
- Request: 1 week's notice would be very appreciated

**g. Sports news:**

- **Intermediate Basketball** – Pods for Girls and Boys are scheduled for April 15 & 16. The girl's team will play on the 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Christopher and the boys' on the 16<sup>th</sup> at St. Raymond.

**h. Upcoming events:**

- **Lenten Confessions:** All students from Grade 3-8 will have the opportunity to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation tomorrow. We will have four priests here from St. Ignatius Loyola for confessions.
- **ECO Presentation:** Tomorrow at lunch, members from Peel Region will be here to present to the ECO team regarding conservation. All Saints has received a grant, and every student will receive a free reusable lunch container.
- **Great Gulp:** March 28 – students are encouraged to participate in our Great Gulp to support World Water Day
- **World Autism Day:** Student will be providing announcements beginning next week to promote World Autism Day. All of our students with Autism will have the opportunity to create a tie-dye shirt to celebrate Autism awareness. On April 2, our ASD class, along with other students in our school with autism, will be presenting to the school via Google Meet. The school community will be given an infinity symbol to decorate individually and then they will be put together to create a whole school infinity symbol that will be displayed in the hallway. Staff and students will be invited to wear their favourite coloured or tie-dyed shirts to school on April 2.
- **Virtues Assembly:** April 3 at 10:30 we will acknowledge the Virtues from March and April (Kindness and Love) along with the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations of Being a Collaborative Contributor and A Self-Directed, Life-long Learner. The Virtues Assembly will be organized by Mrs. Reale and Mrs. Fleita's classes.
- **ShareLife Week:** April 7-11 ~ This year's theme is about Kindness and Social Justice. Students will be involved in some kindness activities, including writing messages to the seniors at the Sunrise Retirement Home on Erin Mills Parkway. In addition, All Saints community will be participating in the board "Soap for Hope" and are asking families to donate, bar soap, liquid soap, shampoo and body wash from April 4-15. Additional information is forthcoming.
- **Team/Club Photos:** April 8 ~ yearbook
- **Junior Chess Tournament:** April 9 at St. Catherine of Siena
- **All Saints Speech Competition:** April 10; winners will advance to the Family Tournament on April 25.
- **Holy Week Presentation:** Mrs. Caves class will be presenting Holy Week plays on the Wednesday and Thursday of Holy Week. More information on times to be sent home in the wildcat.
- **Immunizations:** Students from K-2 who have not reported their immunization records have all received their third notice. If immunizations are not uploaded to peel public health by April 15, students will be suspended. Students are able to return to school as soon as Public Health receives the electronic submission and the school receives confirmation.
- **Dental Screening:** April 17; FDK and Grade 2
- **Public Budget Information Meeting:** 6:30 – 7:30 April 24

**i. Parent Outreach Opportunities:**

- **Community Supports & Services:** PRO event to support families of students with a developmental disability, autism or physical/medical diagnosis being held virtually on Wednesday March 26 from 7-8pm. You need to register.
- **Understanding Bullying:** CCCSC with Brave Education are offering a parent workshop at Cardinal Leger on Thursday March 27 from 6:30 – 7:45pm. Please register.
- **Community Services Carousel:** This event is being hosted by St. Valentine School on Tuesday April 8 from 6-8pm. This session will offer important information on service providers available in the region of peel.
- **EQAO Math Webinars:** There are two webinar sessions upcoming for parents interested in learning about the types of questions being asked on the EQAO assessment for Grade 3, 6 and 9 students. Webinars are being held on [Wednesday, March 26, 2025](#) 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and [Tuesday, April 1, 2025](#) 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**j. Additional Concerns:**

- **Kindergarten Graduation:** The board has moved away from a traditional “Graduation” ceremony for kindergarten as it is not a graduation or milestone year. However, the Kindergarten team does honour the end of the Kindergarten program with a teddy bear picnic.
- **Approved Vendor List:** The new vendor list was released from the Board and they have now approved some new inflatables and food vendors to consider.

**k. Upcoming Budget requests:**

- Donation towards art show materials -
  - last year spent a little over \$1100 but they did recover some money from
  - Motion to approve \$1000 (Ewelina) –
    - Seconded by Keri and Karen
    - All approved - motion has carried
- \$3000 towards library furniture - Catalogue and Little Caesar’s in total was just shy of \$3000
  - 1. - Ewelina – motion to approve
  - 2. Seconded by Karen and Mara
  - 3. All say Aye – motion carried

**2. Parish Report**

- St Ignatius' next class for students registered for Confirmation preparation at the Parish will be today (March 24th) OR tomorrow (March 25th) in the Parish Hall
- Parents who have their child/children registered at the parish for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be receiving an email in the near future from Melissa ([msiuchong@archtoronto.org](mailto:msiuchong@archtoronto.org)) to give them instructions regarding registration for their preferred Confirmation date. The Eventbrite link for registration will open on April 1st. Fridays during Lent, Fr. Ed/Fr. Alex will be celebrating Mass at 7:00 PM at the church, followed by Stations of the Cross. All are invited to join!
- St Ignatius' Holy Week & Easter Schedule is posted on their website.
- St. Ignatius will be running a summer day camp July 21-25 for Grades 1-6, as well as a summer evening camp for Grades 7 and up from July 20-24. More information and details regarding registration to come – in Parish bulletin and website

## D. Information/Updates

1. Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) Report
  1. Brave Presentation – Cardinal Leger
2. **Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) Reports**
  - Nothing to report – update on May 24<sup>th</sup> event at Niagara Falls
  - Survey for parents to engage in - Carmelina has a link she can share – for all parents – we can add it to Wild Cat newsletter

## E. Action Items

1. **Fundraising updates**
- **Krispy Kreme:**
  - Mara spoke to them – contact's name is Jacqueline, they have been great
  - If we want a Friday – they have Friday May 30, Friday June 30
  - National Donut Day is Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> – they can accommodate on **Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup>** – then we can tie it in and we can still catch people who tend to leave the city on Friday afternoons
  - Try to pre-sell the majority - Cash Online
  - Make sure it doesn't overlap with Costco Krispy Kreme Road Show
  - We have to purchase for \$8/dozen, we can sell for \$15-\$18 – it's sold in store for \$16. Selling for \$15 is a good
  - We run a donut drive through
  - We could try to purchase a few extra and take cash day of – might be too complicated – or if we don't sell, we lose the profit
  - Maybe a goal for next year to extend this to the community
  - Mara can see what other schools have done – eg 10 extra boxes
  - We have to give them a heads up ball park estimate – 1 week before the event, we pay for what we have sold ; we cannot go over our ball park
  - Ball park range: 150
  - Will have to go up on school cash online – 2 weeks before the week before deadline – Should go up on May 12<sup>th</sup> - will be after Cobbs has wrapped up
- **COBBS:** next fundraiser, Launching April 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Vouchers to be distributed week of May 5
  - Cobbs store will allow 1 voucher per family – we have 160 vouchers – we could communicate first come first serve basis. On school cash online, not sure how to limit # of vouchers per purchase. There isn't a way on school cash online to cut it off after a certain number has sold. Mrs. Meo would have to monitor it every day and close the
  - If we left it open for families to buy however many they want – before it opens, do a coming soon, say Cobbs Vouchers – only 170 available, first come first serve. Send out a reminder a week before the sale closes.
  - Only 1 redemption per visit, can only be used at Cobb's Erin Mills, not redeemable for cash; Not eligible for Cobbs Club rewards.
  - They provide all the vouchers for us
  - Return is \$17.50 per voucher sold
  - We can send out communication if there are leftover vouchers available
  - Be good to have a thank you plaque for certain establishments who have supported us - eg we could tack it onto our Grad Plaque order
  - If we want anything put up on the outdoor digital sign we can put it up there! Just make sure we check with Cobbs if we mention them

- **Entropy Spirit Wear:**
  - We haven't been pushing it
  - There's been 7 orders online – came to just under \$700
  - We have to reach \$1000 to get 10%
  - Next year – we could do a signature year shirt – eg at Open House – to have a Spirit Wear Booth
  - Talbot is an approved vendor this year - the difference is that Entropy is for the fundraiser
  
- **New ideas:**
  - Instead of an end of year fun fair, why don't we tack something onto the open house next Fall - tentative September 18<sup>th</sup>, just after re-org
  - There are approved vendors for inflatable games
  - Other schools sold bracelets to offset cost
  - Vendor: Jungle Sports – one of the other schools did an indoor climbing apparatus – ppl from the company came and managed it – you signed up for a timeslot ~ \$2000 – included activities - junglesport.com
  - Hope to include in Wild Cat Weekly – could we get community sponsors? Silent Auction – We are allowed to let companies market themselves if they are donating something for FREE.
  - Usually it's the 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> week of school
  - Andrea could donate a life sized Jenga game
  - Other families could donate Corn Hole games
  - Or approach Magnitude
  - Booth for school wear
  - Police and Fire Truck – Jessica can ask Frank now
  - Mara and Andrea will come next meeting with a proposal
  - Cobbs Fundraiser and Donut Fundraiser could go towards broad Community Building initiatives
  - Eagles Soccer
  - Demos from Tae Kwan do

#### **F. Future Meetings**

- Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> Karen, Jennifer

#### **G. Adjournment**