



St. Elizabeth Catholic School Council Meeting
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MINUTES

Location	St. Elizabeth (Virtual)
Date	January 9, 2024
Time	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP		✓	✓
Principal/Vice-Principal Secretary/Treasurer	Mrs. Julie Mangiacasale	✓	
Chair	Jessica Duliban		✓
Co-Chair(s)	Bree Proulx		✓
Teacher Representative	Julie Habjan-Gallo	✓	
Parish Representative	Julie Habjan-Gallo	✓	
Recording Secretary	Kimberly Skene	✓	
OAPCE / NCPIC Representative	Jessica Duliban		✓

PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERS

Rebecca Mazur	✓	
Julia Battersby	✓	
Amber Stankowski		✓
Alex Sardella		✓

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Mrs. Mangiacasale

2. Council Formation 2023-2024

Review of Purpose & Function of Catholic School Council:

- To build strong Catholic identity and community to nurture the distinctiveness of Catholic Education,
- Advance student achievement and well-being for all students in their school community
- Enhance the accountability of the education system to parents/guardians
- Advocate for St. Elizabeth
- Representative of all families at St. Elizabeth
- Bring any issues/concerns are brought to Mrs. Mangiacasale
- Advisory role in Catholic School Council
- Goals for 2023-2024: Student safety, Student Success/Advancement; Faith Formation – Students/Families; Safe & Accepting Schools; Parent Engagement; Fundraising

3. Committee Structure / Report / Updates

- **Faith Formation** – Confessions took place with Father Stanley before Christmas, confessions were done in the school chapel

- **Safe & Accepting Schools**

- **Food** – We are transitioning to reusable cutlery and water bottles. Transitioning out of disposable cups and cutlery. Reminding families to send reusable cutlery and water bottles.

- **Parent Involvement Engagement** - Funds up to \$1000 to support Parent Engagement activities at the school level through an application process

Principal Items

- **Student Council – Update**

-Students worked hard to create christmas spirit week for the school. Students created posters for all the students and went to classrooms to explain to students.

- **CSC By-Laws**

Updated and on website

- **Board Policies**

Updated and on website

- **Parent Volunteers**

-Reminders to volunteers: must have Vulnerable Sector Check to volunteer

- **Fundraiser** – Next Krispy Kreme fundraiser March 11-April 1, 2024. Pick up will be April 9th.

-Half of funds raised will be for Grade 7/8 trip to camp Medeba and half will go to the school to subsidize class trips.

- **Food Drives**

-Next food drive February/June will run for two weeks and will start February 12-16th.

- **School Upgrades**

-Construction of the new school is well under way and timelines are on time.

- **Technology** - 3D printer.

- **School Spirit Wear**

- Link has been shared with families and the St. Elizabeth website is active. Now no fee added to the orders, free delivery.

- **16 Days of Giveaways**

-A huge success again this year. Thank you to Jessica for organizing and to all the families that donated for the Giveaways.

- **12 Days of Giving - a huge success!** We were able to help support the Wainfleet community by donating the items to the Wainfleet Fire Department. They distributed to families directly within our community.

- **St Elizabeth Walk Through** - Inviting all that have partnerships, history or relationship with St Elizabeth to come to the school and walk through with

refreshments in the gym.

-St Elizabeth family mass - in the school or invite all the families to the Church for mass as a school community on a Sunday. Sunday Mass - 10-11am followed by an open house at St Elizabeth school 11-2pm.

-Ideas to say goodbye: Arrows on the wall, something to display in a box, plaques for families? Each class has a memory box that can be planted under a tree?

-Maybe have food truck

- **Fundraising Ideas**

-**Trivia Night** - We were invited to join with schools for a combined trivia night in Welland. It will be held at the Croation Hall in Welland in April.

-The hall can accommodate 300 people. As a school we would need to sell 50 tickets (5 tables/10 people)

-This fundraiser will pay for busses to Camp Medeba.

-More information to come.

-**Spring Carnival** -Outdoor event, may be at WEB or alternate location (firehall)

-Can still sell tickets online and then each school sell tickets for concessions at their own tables (St Elizabeth table, WEB table)

-**Family Day Fundraiser**

- Family Day Gift Cards - donations from families sent into the school
- Families would send a gift card for something they want to do with their family/ family day activity
- Letter to go home this week
- Tickets to be sold starting January 22 and draw to be held February 14

- **Treasurer Report**

Mrs. Mangiacasale

- 16 days of Giveaways made \$1735 that goes into the lottery account.
- New total: \$2262.43
- Christmas Extravaganza made \$650.02 (\$432 made from entry fees)
- Technology Account - \$4238.71

5. Next Meeting

March 5, 2024 @ 6:00p.m. (Virtual)

6. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was led by Mrs. Mangiacasale

7. Adjournment

By Mrs. Mangiacasale

THAT the January 9, 2024, meeting of the St. Elizabeth Catholic School Council was adjourned. This meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

