



**AGENDA**  
**St. Vincent de Paul**  
**CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

**ROUTINE MATTERS**

1. Opening Prayer
  - a. The opening prayer was led by: **J. Dolan**
2. Roll Call

<b>CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP</b>		Present	Excused	Absent
Principal/Vice-Principal Secretary/Treasurer	J. Lafontaine	X		
Chair	L. Rosano	X		
Teacher Representative	T. Dellaventura, S. Orsini	X X		
Non-Teaching Representative	K. Zahn	X		
Student Representative				
Parish Representative	J. Dolan	X		
Community Representative				
<b>PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERS</b>				
Lita Artista			X	
Erica Walters		X		
Celestina Bignucolo		X		
Vicki Hantziagelis		X		
Amanda Holmes		X		
Roxanne Lyachovics			X	
Nicole Metz		X		
Lina Decembrini			X	

3. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Moved by: **A. Holmes**
  - b. Seconded by: **J. Dolan**

**THAT** St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council approved the Agenda of the St Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council Meeting of **FEB. 26 2020.**

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest
  - a. No disclosure of conflict of interest were declared with any items on the agenda
5. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of the St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic School Council Meeting of **NOV. 20, 2019**
  - a. Moved by: **N. Metz**
  - b. Seconded by: **V. Hantziagelis**

**THAT** St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council approved the Minutes of the St Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council Meeting of **NOV. 20, 2019**

**CARRIED**

## **A. PRESENTATIONS**

## **B. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK**

[Attendance Area Policy \(301.3\)](#)

[Criminal Background Check Policy \(302.6.7\)](#)

[Use of Corporate Logo Policy \(100.14\)](#)

[Video Security Surveillance Policy \(701.3\)](#)

*Please submit your feedback to [Jennifer Pellegrini](#) by 4:00 p.m. March 11, 2020*

## **C. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **1. School Activities**

- i. Shrove Tuesday
  - i. **Gratitude to Denny's for their generous donation of pancakes and syrup.**
  - ii. **Card was created and all students signed to show our appreciation.**
  - iii. **Gratitude to L. Rosano, L. Artista, CSC and volunteers for their organization and help.**
- ii. Ash Wednesday
  - i. **Liturgy in the gym today @ 1:00 with Father Paul.**
  - ii. **Grade 1-3 staff and students facilitated beautifully with prayer, songs and art work ... Rayah played music, Graham assisted with technology.**
  - iii. **Many family members joined our liturgy.**
- iii. Book Fair – March 2-6
  - i. **Book Fair next week.**
  - ii. **Students will visit on the first day – can create a wish list of books.**
  - iii. **Students will return with their classes on the following two days to purchase or can come after school with parents.**
- iv. First Reconciliation – grade 2 – March 3
  - i. **Miss Orsini will discuss during Staff Report.**
- v. Grad Photos – March 9
  - i. **Grade photos take place on the 9<sup>th</sup>.**
- vi. Lent Reconciliation – grade 2-8 – March 10
  - i. **Mrs. Della Ventura will discuss during Staff Report.**
- vii. Q-Mack – 1:30pm – March 11
  - i. **All are welcome to join the presentation – strongly recommend if you have the opportunity.**
  - ii. **Message is about inclusiveness.**
  - iii. **Plays at half-time shows in the NBA.**
  - iv. **Extremely entertaining.**
  - v. **Joined by his partner Beat Box who makes incredible sound effects.**

2. Catholic School Council Financial Report
  - i. Family Christmas - \$1076-\$189=\$887
    - i. Great profit on this event. Only cost was for Santa and Mrs. Claus.
    - ii. All items were donated – no other expenses.
  - ii. Hot Lunch - \$1023 (opening balance)+\$1949(revenue)-\$1366(expense)=\$1606(balance - does not reflect expenses for Feb 27 hot lunch)
3. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report
  - i. Next meeting is on March 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 at the Board office.
  - ii. Agendas are online.
  - iii. Minutes from November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting also available online.
4. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report
  - i. Transition to Adulthood Planning Tool Kit for children with special needs to help transition into adulthood.
  - ii. Information begins in Grade 7 and progresses through high school and post-graduation.
  - iii. Email L. Rosano if interested in receiving an online copy.

#### D. STAFF REPORT

K. Zahn – Organization of School (Absent)

S. Orsini

Random Acts of Kindness Day

- i. Many notes, cards, letters sent to people around the school.
- ii. Shared stories and experiences in classes.
- iii. Talked about being kind – and how it makes us feel.

Literacy Day

- i. Celebrated Literacy Day on January 27<sup>th</sup>.
- ii. Students participated in various activities by division.
- iii. Primary focused on Robert Munsch.
- iv. Students from Grades 1-3 were divided into groups and rotated through activities.

First Reconciliation

- i. Students have been preparing all year for this special event.
- ii. They are getting very excited.
- iii. It will take place at Our Lady of the Scapular Church on March 3<sup>rd</sup> – students participate with their families.

T. Dellaventura

Pink Shirt Day

- i. Celebrated Pink Shirt Day today – Board wide.
- ii. To recognize Bullying Awareness.
- iii. Theme this year was “Lift Each Other Up” – see beyond our differences.
- iv. Teachers had various lessons / discussions in their class to support the cause.

Lent Reconciliation

- i. Lent Reconciliation will take place on March 10<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 in the gym.
- ii. 4 priests visit the school.
- iii. Grades 2-8 will participate. They are called down to the gym by class and meet with one of the visiting priests.

Chess Team

- i. Chess Tournament is Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ii. We have 4 teams participating (2 Junior / 2 Intermediate).
- iii. Round Robin currently taking place to help determine the teams.

Journeys

- i. Journeys will take place March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for the Grade 8 students.
- ii. Closing mass and dinner for families / staff on the evening of the 24<sup>th</sup>.

### 3D Printer

- i. We have a new 3D printer in the school.
- ii. R. Desson came in to demonstrate with T. DellaVentura and Grade 8 class.
- iii. Created a cross for initial trial.
- iv. Intention is to teach the teachers and the students how to use the program, so the 3D printer can be used in connection to curriculum (math manipulatives, human body – science, etc.).

### ADDITIONAL ITEM:

- E. Walters requested that in future years if there could be a staff member in charge of Kiwanis Festival.
- Teachers can participate with their classes (Choral Speaking, etc.), however, students can also register individually through their parents.
- Staff member would be responsible to share registration information and deadlines so that families were aware if interested.

### E. CHAIR'S REPORT

1. Catholic School Council Corner – information that you wish to include for the newsletter?
2. Committee Work –work on goals and update

#### Spirituality Committee

- To provide opening prayers before meetings.
- To provide parish reports at each meeting.
- To buy/make gifts and present them at First Communion/Confirmation class celebrations.
- To assist with the Soup Kitchen.
  - i. Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – Grade 8 celebrated their Confirmation
    1. Bishop Bergie was there.
    2. Mrs. Dolan and others visited the Grade 8 class before Confirmation – students had a great understanding of why they chose the Saints that they chose.
    3. Mia did a beautiful job singing.
  - ii. Rosary Circle
    1. There is Rosary Circle every Tuesday at lunch.
    2. After Rosary, they (Jose, Nora, Jennifer) visit various classrooms.
    3. Currently sharing information about FORMED.org – a fabulous resource for children that has been paid for by OLOS.
    4. Grade 6's watched Brother Francis – Lenten Journey.
  - iii. Soup
    1. Soup program is going very well – they are very appreciative.
    2. Do need drivers for March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.
    3. E. Walters offered to be responsible for soup during March Break.
  - iv. Other items:
    1. On Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> – the Epiphany – the Chapel at OLOS became perpetual. It is the first one in the Diocese.
    2. Requesting that the Stations of the Cross be reviewed every Friday during Lent throughout the school.

#### Garden/ECO Committee

- To maintain our gardens and grounds with students.
  - i. Nothing to report at this time

#### Social/Fundraising Committee

- To organize the Family Christmas Party.
- To organize the year end Family Fun Fair/BBQ and Dress Code 'Trade Day'.
- To assist with two fundraising activities.
  - i. Responses to the Family Christmas Party have been all positive – enjoyed refreshments, enjoyed crafts - only concern was too crowded.

- ii. Going to sell Easter Lilies for an Easter fundraiser.
- iii. Carol Baldinelli offered to help with Lilies – her brother owns Country Basket.
- iv. Orders would be placed in March and pick up would be at the Pasta Dinner on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, or at the school April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- v. L. Rosano – made a suggestion that all council members assist with Family Christmas Party and Fun Fair as they are a lot of work – the more support the better.

#### Lunch/Food Committee

- To assist with a lunch program.
- To assist with the meal for Shrove Tuesday.
- To assist with food at Play Day.
  - i. Swiss Chalet for February 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Pita Pit for next two hot lunches.
  - iii. Pasta to follow.
  - iv. Looking at option of having 2 sizes for Pasta to accommodate older students.

#### Graduation Committee

- A. To assist with grade 8 Graduation set up
  - i. Pasta Night
    - i. Sent an email to get Grade 8 families involved.
    - ii. Dinner will be at OLOS Parish Hall – April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - iii. There will be draws and raffles – possibly a 50/50 draw.
    - iv. Grade 8's will be hosting, serving and cleaning.
    - v. Parents will be cooking.
    - vi. Suggested that one seating be scheduled to start to accommodate possibly large numbers.
    - vii. If numbers are lower switch to one seating later on.
    - viii. Possibly create a “book your seat” ticket to help clarify numbers / times.
    - ix. Ticket sales will begin March 6<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> – pricing still to be determined.
    - x. Trying to get all food items donated – if anyone has any connections please advise.
    - xi. Details about Graduation will follow at next meeting.

#### **F. ONTARIO ASSOCIATION FOR PARENTS IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION (OAPCE) REPORT**

#### **G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**H. NEXT MEETING: **\*\*Revised Date\*\*** Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.**

#### **I. CLOSING PRAYER**

- iv. The closing prayer was led by: **J. Dolan**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: **N. Metz**

Seconded by: **J. Dolan**

**THAT the Feb 26, 2020 meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council be adjourned  
CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at: **7:10 p.m.**