

St. Sebastian Catholic Elementary

School Council Meeting

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 26, 2019**

*6:30 p.m.Library*

1. **Opening Prayer**
2. **Introductions**

**In Attendance**

Angela Longerich, Moya Marr, Dion Marchand, Jeff Daly, Jennifer Tran, Samantha Welch, Matt Trudgill, Jennifer Ciccone, Vanessa Menzies, Trustee Brea Corbet

**Regrets**

George Ling, Marissa Gentile

1. **Review and Approval of Agenda**
* Motion to approve by Angela and Vanessa
1. **Review and Approval of Minutes – May 27, 2019**
* Motion to approve by Vanessa and Jennifer
1. **Update from Trustee – Brea Corbet**
	* There is a Board meeting every Tuesday at 7pm
	* $3M matched suicide awareness program
	* Health curriculum updates
	* All of our 16 schools experienced reorganization – grades 1-3 are capped at maximum 20 children
	* Secondary schools – 24:1 in the first year – was 22:1 – all other years at 28:1
	* Pro Grant is usually in May/June – this is going to continue with Priorities and Partnership Funds
	* Drumfit is highly recommended
	* Introducing a new school messenger app next September – reporting absences etc.
	* Playgrounds will have markings for engagement – approx. $3500 – they will train 30 leaders to teach others to use
	* Walk to school program – congested traffic and slow kiss and rides.
2. **Update from the Chair – Moya Marr**
* *Kiddsentials will now call home if there are errors*
* *Garbage will continue to be picked up*
* *Pita Pit is every Wednesday – now salads and smoothies.*
* *Chocolate delivery is October 3, kickoff is Monday the 7th, primary and intermediate are split out for assemblies.*
* *Chocolate letter sent home on the 7th, required to be returned on the 8th*
* *Distribute chocolates on the 9th and 10th – we will try to distribute all on the 9th due to the cross country meet on the 10th*
* *Volunteers will be required everyday until the 23rd*
* *Pastoral plan – each year we require a small blurb from council – plan to use the same as last year*
* *Open house was a great success – ordered less pizza, some apples were left this year*
* *BBQ June 15th was a huge success*
* *Pita Pit straws were not great, disintegrated – they have now changed their straws*
* *Cotton candy machine was rented*
* *Sold concessions at the end of the year to avoid expiry*
* *Welcome letter went home Sept 5th, volunteer list September 11*
* *Kiddsentials does not require a parent volunteer – this doesn’t affect the amount given back to the school*
1. **Update from the Treasurer**  - **Angela Longerich**
* Council Funds May 31, 2019 were $16,232.86
* Council Funds June 30, 2019 were $15,197.74
* Council Funds July 31, 2019 were $15,197.74
* Council Funds August 30, 2019 were $15,197.74
1. ***Update from the Parish Rep – NA***
2. ***Update from OAPCE – Vanessa Menzies***
	* Next meetings are October 30th and November 27th
	* Lots of info at the last meeting – will email out to all
	* Free coding workshops
3. **Principal’s Report –** **Dion Marchand**
* First day of school was September 3rd, 2019.

EQAO Results

Grade 3: Reading: 92% increase of 20%

 Writing: 89% increase of 24 %

 Math: 68% increase of 19 %

Grade 6: Reading: 88% decrease of 7%

 Writing: 86% decrease of 9%

 Math: 45% decrease of 13%

* Many teachers have volunteered to coach and do extracurricular activities and students have started practicing already for Volleyball and cross country.
* Pizza Provider: Pizza Pizza / Starts October 3rd, 2019 We will still do Cheese and Pepperoni alternating each month
* Restructuring: We were projected to have 525 students, but lost 24 students since June and over the summer to moves. We moved 8 FDK students only during reorganization due to a loss in the FDK grade. We lost a DECE and created a class of 15 students. Our current enrolment is 501.Changes were made with regards to the class structures. September 13th, 2019 restructuring: We had an increase in .2 FSL because of the ¾-combined class and a loss of a full DECE
* Trillium Web Attendance pilot projected.
* Important dates:
* Fire Drills completed: Sept. 16th / 17th & 18th
* Lockdowns: September 20th

Sept 18th: Confirmation parent meeting

Sept 19th: Open House and CSC pizza Dinner

Sept 23rd Opening School Mass

Sept 26th Photo day (Today)

Sept 27th Terry Fox Walk

Oct. 2nd First Communion Parent Meeting 7:00pm

Oct. 7th Chocolate Fundraiser kick off 1:15pm FDK-gr.3 & 1:50pm Gr. 4-8

Oct. 10th Miss North Cross Country meet

Oct. 10th Virtues Faith Assemblies (FDK-Gr. 3 9:30am / 10:15am Gr. 4-8)

Oct. 11th PA Day No school

Oct. 14th Thanksgiving no school

Oct. 15th-17th CCAT testing for grade 4 students

Oct. 16th – 18th Grade 7 outdoor trip to Camp Brebeuf

Oct. 17th Miss North Junior Volleyball Tournament

Oct. 21st Federal elections Polling station

Oct. 22nd and 23rd See Hear Testing

Oct. 23rd Central Committee meeting At STFX 5:30pm

Oct. 29th Virtues Empathy Assemblies (FDK-Gr. 3 9:30am / 10:15am Gr. 4-8)

Oct. 31st  Halloween Dance to support Share Life

Nov. 4th Hep. B and HPV Vaccinations for grade 7 boys / girls / gr. 8 girls

Nov. 5th Photo retakes

Nov. 12th Progress reports go home

Nov. 14th Interviews for progress reports as needed

1. **Dissolve CSAC**
* Motion to approve – Jen Tran
1. **Elections for the 2019-2020 CSAC**
* Moya Marr, Council Chari
* Angela Longerich, Treasurer
* Jennifer Ciccone, Secretary
* George Ling, Parish Rep
* Vanessa Menzies, OAPCE Rep
* Marissa Gentile, Fundraising Chair
1. **Review and Approval of By-Laws**
2. **Reminder of CSAC member executive training**
* November 2nd, 8:30am
1. **Any other business**
* Chrome books, Grade 7 & 8 – preventing inappropriate use during the school day, ie Gaming chat site Discord
* Highschool Open Houses – October 10 7pm St.Joan of Arc
1. **Next Meetings Scheduled – all at 6:30pm**
* November 6th
* January 15th
* February 12th
* May 20th