

St. Bernard Catholic School **Parent Council Committee Minutes**

Date: May 30, 2019

Time: 6:00pm – 6:30pm Location: Atrium, 1000 Dryden Blvd., Whitby

Present	Regrets	Name	Role
X		Kathryn Hadden	Principal
	Χ	Andrea Keogan	Chair
X		Sonia Tipping-Edwards	Secretary
	Х	Amanda McGinnes	Teacher Representative
X		Colleen Thordarson	Non-Teacher Representative
X		Krista MacNeil	Parent Representative
X		Claudia Nosseir-Deyong	Parent Representative
	Χ	Christine Wood	Parent Representative
X		Shantel lelasi	Parent Representative
Х		Mickii Vella-MacKenzie	Parent Representative
	Х	Jessica Hartung	Parent Representative

Agenda Item	Decision / Action Taken	Person(s)
		Responsible
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order and Ms. Hadden opened the meeting at 6:00pm with a prayer.	
2. Welcome & Opening Prayer		



3. Principal's Report

Kathryn Hadden presented the Principal's Report.

Goodbye/Welcome: Ms. Hadden has been assigned to be the Principal at a school in Ajax. Her last day will be June 27th, 2019. We all wish Ms. Hadden all the best at her new school. St. Bernard's Parent Council will miss her and her leadership. Welcome to Mrs. Jennifer Harvey, the new Principal at St. Bernard's. Mrs. Harvey's first day will be June 28th, 2019.

Team Jerseys: The jerseys have arrived. Ms. Hadden brought a couple of the jerseys to present at the meeting. The school has a blue set and a white set of jerseys in junior and senior sizes. All of the jerseys have a number on the back. The jerseys are made of a dry-fit material. The jerseys cost \$1350.00. The Vandemeer fundraiser covered \$300 of the costs and the remaining cost was covered by the school.

EQAO: The Grade 3 & 6 students are done writing. The kids were very happy and shared that the test was exactly what they were expecting it to be.

Walk for Hope: The walk was held on May 8th and \$400 was raised for the Catholic Children's Charity – all goes back to families in need within the Durham Catholic Board

Track & Field: Was held on May 16 &17. Children who placed 1st were able to move on to Regionals on June 6 at Austin. Winners from the Regional Tournament will be able to compete in the Tournament of Champions on June 18th at the Oshawa Civic.

Grade 8 Graduation: The Grade 8 Closing ceremony will be on Friday June 21st.

JK Night: Was held on May 23rd from 6:30-7:30pm. Thank you to the volunteers who came out that evening to represent Parent Council. It was a successful night. The turn out was 100% of the families who had children registered for JK as of that day.

Sandboxes: The sandbox in the kindergarten area has been filled. There is a new sandbox in the primary yard that has



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been placed where a tree was removed. The children have been enjoying playing in both of the sand areas.

Fundraisers 2019/2020: Laura Secord chocolate and Fresh from the Farm have both been booked for the 2019/2020 school year.

Parent Council Thank You: The Ice-Cream Truck was able to offer the same price as last year. It has been booked for June 20th in the afternoon.

Sports:

Junior Soccer tournament was on May 14 Senior Soccer tournament was on May 15.

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Intermediate Cricket Team: On June 6th there will be a day of teaching the children on the team how to play cricket at a round robin tournament. Ms. Lamers and Ms. Warren are coaching and have been attending workshops. Cricket is one of the fastest growing sports in our area.

ECO Summit: The ECO Team along with Mrs. Love & Mrs. McGinnes attended the ECO Summit on May 7th. St. Bernard won the Silver Award. They enjoyed activities such as orienteering and nature walks. The ECO Team has contributed to awareness campaigns in the school such as sweater day (students wear warm sweaters and the school conserves energy by reducing the heat for a day). This team is also responsible for planting the gardens at the front of the school.

Talent Show: It was held on May 10th in the afternoon. All the children who were interested in performing were given the opportunity.

Taunton Mills: The Grade 8's last visit to Taunton Mills was on May 22nd. They were treated to a fun day of story sharing and bingo (with prizes) that was put on by the Seniors.



	Silver Birch Team: The team went to Durham College to meet some of the authors on May 13 th . Closing Mass will be on June 8 th . This Mass is led by the Grade 8 students. All are welcome to attend. Reminder: The board in the drop off area, next to the parking lot, can be used by Parent Council. Please let Ms. Hadden know if there is anything that we would like posted. September 2019 / 2020 Meet the Teacher / Parent Council Elections: This is scheduled for Thursday, September 12 th . Enrollment: is slightly up for the 2019/2020 school year to 282 students.	
4. Chair's Report	N/A	
5. Closing Prayer / Dismissal	Ms. Hadden closed the meeting at 6:30pm	

Next Meeting:

2019 / 2020 Parent Council Elections
Thursday September 12th, 2019 – following Meet the Teacher night
The Atrium
St. Bernard Catholic School
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