



St. Bernard Catholic School
Parent School Council Meeting
Minutes

Date: November 21, 2019
Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Location: St. Bernard C.S., Whitby -- Atrium

Present	Regrets	Name	Role
X		Jennifer Harvery	Principal
X		Claudia Nosseir-Deyong	Chair
X		Sonia Tipping-Edwards	Vice-Chair
X		Shantel Ielasi	Secretary
	X		Teacher Representative
	X	Colleen Thordarson	Non-Teacher Representative
	X	Christine Wood	Parent Representative
	X	April Verway	Parent Representative
X		Blair Hardy	Parent Representative
X		Denise Ste. Marie	Parent Representative
X		Dina Ste. Marie	Parent Representative
X		Amanda Vasquez (Gomez)	Parent Representative
X		Renee Jewett	Parent Representative
X		Lisa Haynes (Jeffers)	Parent Representative
X		Carol Del Castillo	Parent Representative

Agenda Item	Decision / Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
1. Call to Order & Opening Prayer	Jennifer welcomed those present and opened the meeting at 6:30pm with a prayer. *A special welcome to new faces*	Jennifer
2. Review and Approval of Minutes	Minutes from May 30, 2019 meeting were sent electronically prior to tonight's meeting. Minutes were approved.	Sonia/Shantel to bring copies of minutes to each meeting for review
3. Review Agenda	Attendees were asked to review the Agenda and add items if needed – nothing added.	Jennifer



4. Fundraising report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Fresh from the Farm: orders are still arrivingb. World's Finest Chocolates: \$2,400 up from last yearc. Milk program: keeping cost low/focus on affordability for the studentsd. Healthy Hunger lunches: added Booster Juice as sales for Frantastic drop	Jennifer
5. Principal's Report Principal's Report continued...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. School Mass on Sept. 9thb. "Celebrate" Assemblies every 4-6 weeks, recognizing students who won the Virtue and Catholic Graduate Expectation for the month awards as well as the St Bernard Perseverance Award.c. Holy Family Youth Minister presented Edge program to the Grades 6-8 students.d. Grade 8's continue with "Paying ir Forward" program and visiting Taunton Mills retirement home every month.e. Me to We group led October food drive and will be hosting bake sale in December with all proceeds going to Holy Family parish families in need.f. Sports – Cross Country running finished in September, Flag Football finished in October, Volleyball is finishing now and Basketball is the next team sport being offeredg. Clubs – Drama club once a week for Grades 2-3 and Chess Club once a week for Grades 4-5.h. EQAO scores – increase in Grade 3 Scores. Increase in Grade 6 Reading and slightly below Board and Province in Writing and Math.i. Staff and students continue to focus on Math – "Thinking and Application" questions in particular within area of Measurement.j. Student Wellness continues to be a focus for school with staff learning about various programs to support our students positive mental wellness.	Jennifer



	<p>k. Pathways – focus on experiential learning opportunities for students.</p> <p>l. Bullying Prevention and Intervention Week – Grades 7&8 presented info to all grades about how to be an upstander and not a bystander when bullies are bullying.</p> <p>m. Upstander lunch with the Principal Contest. Two students won for being upstanders and got lunch from McDonalds and ate with Mrs. Harvey.</p>	
6. 2019/2020 Budget & Expenses	<p>a. Water bottle fillers -\$3200.00</p> <p>b. Sacraments - \$1000.00</p> <p>c. Library Book competitions - \$800.00</p> <p>d. Graduation - \$1100.00</p> <p>e. Taunton Mills bus costs - \$400.00</p>	Jennifer
7. Parent council goals for 2019/2020	<p>1. fundraising for items that the school and students need</p> <p>2. Community outreach and support through food drives and ShareLife donations</p> <p>3. Working in partnership with the school to achieve school/board/community/faith goals</p> <p>4. Learning and growing together in faith</p>	Claudia
8. Future fundraiser ideas	<p>a. Seeds: we like the idea of something to do with gardening but Vandermeer’s was a lot of work with little return last year</p> <p>b. Card boxes: greeting card boxes with 33 cards for \$33 & \$11/box goes to the school</p> <p>c. Flipp-Give: online shopping goes through an app & a % gets paid to the school</p> <p>d. Pitch-it/brainstorming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mason jars filled with food: giving developmentally challenged workers opportunities & its Canadian based; • Art Gallery: kids/classes frame their art work which is auctioned off; <p>e. Ideas for where the \$\$ should go: Green Screen, more technology & having a speaker at “Parent Night.”</p>	All



	Ice cream truck night will be considered closer to the end of school year	
9. Upcoming Events	<p>Advent Season: Every Monday in December: Christmas Candy Estimation Jars -- helping with math; kids get to guess the amount and the winner gets the candy jar - \$0.25 per guess; winners announced at end of weeks.</p> <p>Dec 3rd & Dec 4th: Me to We bake sale – items range from \$0.50 to \$3</p> <p>Dec 12th: Primary Christmas concert will be held on Thursday December 12th 6-7 pm in the Gym</p> <p>Dec 9th-13th: Christmas food drive</p> <p>Dec 6th & 13th: hot chocolate Friday's – \$1/cup Blair and Claudia have volunteered to help</p> <p>Dec 12th-19th: Candy gram sales \$0.25 each</p> <p>Mon Dec 16th: Wear red & green</p> <p>Tues Dec 17th: Wear your favourite Christmas hat/gloves</p> <p>Wed Dec 18th: decorate yourself like a Christmas tree</p> <p>Thur Dec 19th: Wear your favourite Christmas pj's & \$2 movie day</p> <p>*ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO SHARELIFE*</p> <p>Valentine's Day dance will be on Friday February 14th 2020: gym can be decorated/no balloons</p>	Jennifer
10. Closing Prayer / Dismissal	Shantel closed the meeting with a prayer	Shantel

Next Meeting:

Thursday January 30th @ 6:30pm
The Atrium
St. Bernard Catholic School, 1000 Dryden Blvd., Whitby