

Christ the King Catholic School Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday February 9, 2021

Time: 6:30 pm

In Attendance: A. Fini, K. Zangrilli, R. Santana, A. Marsella, D. Hutton, O. Novak, A. Kovacs, E. Gormley, A. Bourque, M. Lozowsky, M. Giardina, B. DeSousa, L. Triantafillou

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY of DISCUSSION	ACTION/DECISION
Opening Prayer & Welcome	A. Bourque opened the meeting with a prayer.	
Approval of Minutes	November's Meeting Minutes were approved.	
Co-Chair's Report:	 K. Zangrilli and A. Fini presented the Chairs report: School Council Membership – discussion took place regarding Catholic and non-Catholic membership on school councils. Council members agreed that membership and elected positions should be open to Catholic and non-Catholic parents of students who attend a given school. Council agreed that Catholic representation should be 50% + 1% in order to maintain our unique Catholic identity. Kim to forward input from council to the Board, as requested by the Board of all councils. New Business: Graduation – Question was raised as what is happening; will there be an in-person ceremony? Response: Our goal at CTK is that we host a graduation event a special and as wonderful as possible, for our very deserving and hardworking grade 12 graduates! We all want to give them the proper send off that they deserve, and make this as special as possible, given whatever health and safety parameters are/will be in place. Given the restrictions that are currently in place in the GTA, across the province and around the globe, it seems reasonable for schools to consider and plan for virtual presentations/ceremonies this year. Schools will continue to take direction from the board and Halton public health. 	
Principal's Report: (and SGF Report)	 Principal's Report: L. Triantafillou SGF Report SGF overview was shared with Council. Priorities for virtual events, such as guest speakers, student leadership training (Mentors, Student Council), other speaker opportunities, as well as peer tutoring training. The school has also purchased technology enhancements, such as, chrome books to support in-person and remote learning this year, as well as Monitors in classrooms and Smart Boards. Enhancements are also underway in the Chapel as well as to the theater, for our students to use. We do hope that things do return to normal hopefully next year at some point and field trips, athletics, leadership conferences, and leadership training opportunities, will resume off site for students to participate in fully. We're doing our very best to support students in a virtual environment at this time. Return to In-person Learning 	

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- The school returned to in person learning yesterday; smooth transition from remote in person learning; wonderful to welcome our students back to the building.
 New enhancements to our existing COVID-19 health and safety procedures and protocols to support the return to in-person learning,
the most important being the daily Covid screening by secondary students; Each morning students are asked to complete the screening.
 Masking continues to be mandatory in the building; it has been enhanced in terms of students masking outside of the building while
waiting to come in or waiting for their bus at the end of the day.
 Staff are also now required to complete the screening and confirm they completed the screening, medical masks are provided to staff
that they must wear, as well as goggles and face Shields when they are in common areas in the building or when physical distancing
can't be maintained in classrooms.
 Everything is in place to keep students, staff and by extension, family safe, and we will continue to do whatever we need to ensure
consistent level of safety for everyone.
Achieving
- Completed Quadmester 2. Final marks are due to be entered by teacher's tomorrow morning; report cards will be available
electronically Thursday afternoon.
- Text return - we are in the process taking in textbooks from Quadmester 1 and 2, as we still have a lot outstanding.
- Reminder that virtual academic support is available for students every afternoon in all subject areas' students are welcome to log on
ask questions get feedback or get assistance with whatever they need assistance with any other subject areas.
- The grade 9 math EQ AO is still planning to be written for students taking math in the next two quadmesters. More details will follow to
our parent community when they receive information from EQAO and the ministry
- OSSLT is also scheduled to be written (grades 10, 11 and non-graduating grade 12 students) more information will follow when we
receive additional details
- Course selection presentations will be taking place this week for students in grades 9-11. Our guidance counselors have prepared virtual
presentations to assist students in making pathway decisions and course selections for the 2021- 2022 school year.
- Guidance counselors are available to meet with students they may reach out and email the guidance counselor directly or access the
guidance D2L page to request a meeting.
Belonging
- Our Health and Phys Ed leadership classes recently conducted their charity campaign to build school spirit during the remote period of
learning - CTK strong campaign; 600 t-shirts were sold for three different charities in Halton Hills – Links to Care, The Royal Royal
Canadian Legion, and Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills (CASHH). T shirts will be distributed next week and beyond and we hope
to plan a spirit day shortly thereafter.
- On January 27th, our school recognized Holocaust Memorial Day; Mr. Bourque developed an informative Lesson plan that all teachers
delivered that morning, and our chaplaincy leader together with Mr. Bourque, Ms. Cheal, Mrs. Butera and Mr. De Sousa , developed a
prayer service and resources for teachers to use and access in their classrooms. This is an important memorial that we take time out of
our schedule to remember each year. We are grateful for our in-house staff to develop such amazing resources to mark this important
event and pray not only for those who are lost to the Holocaust, but it to ensure that it never happens again.
- February 1st marked the beginning out Black History Month. A team of dedicated staff members from our Equity and Safe Schools team
as well as students have formed the Black History Month committee. Activities, resources, videos, podcasts information segments and
public address announcements have been created for our school community. Our hope is that this is not a topic of conversation for the
month of February but for every month and every day of our school year. At our staff meeting last Friday we were treated to a Black
Lives Matter video that two of our students, as well as students from other student led HCDSB Student Equity Team created. Our
students will have an opportunity to see the video and offer their feedback a little later this month. We are so very proud of our
students and our staff team for all their work and effort to ensure that we all continue the Important conversations each, and every day. As part of part Black History Month initiative, we are looking forward to welcoming Orlando Bowen for our schoolwide virtual
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	 assembly taking place on February 19th. Orlando is a youth leadership advocate who encourages resiliency, community, well being, and positivity in youth, renowned speaker on both the youth and corporate training circuits. February 1st marked the beginning of HCDSB's term with a new uniform provider, McCarthy's uniforms. We look forward to working with McCarthy's. They have been able to successfully replicate the new items from ISW uniforms. Most recently we have been working with them with regards to the hoodie. There are no changes to the uniform currently. ISW uniforms may continue to be worn by students or their younger siblings, provided they are in good condition. We will also still take in ISW uniform items for resale at our gently used uniform sales when we are able to resume these as per direction from the board and our public health unit. Believing, Virtual prayer services and liturgy's have taken the place of in person gatherings this year. Our chaplaincy leader Mrs. Mary Lozowsky was here with us this evening, she has been developing engaging, prayerful, and meaningful liturgy's together with students and staff over the course of the year, and especially during remote learning. We are very grateful for all her work to ensure that our faith is alive and well and we are taking time out to pray. Ash Wednesday liturgy will mark the start of Lent. Mrs. Lozowsky, our Chaplaincy leader, provided an update on the prayer and spiritual life of the school , as well as the spiritual, social emotional, and mental health supports that are available at the school and that many of our students and parents have accessed during both in person learning and the remote learning. 	
	Looking Ahead: February 12 – Quad 2 reports sent Electronically to Parents – end of day February 15 – Family Day February 15 – Family Day February 19 – School Assembly and Virtual Speaker – Orlando Bloom February 16—19 – CtK Elective Course Fair (Virtual) February 24 – Catholic Council of Chairs March 15-19 – March Break April 2 – Good Friday (No Classes) April 4 – Easter Sunday April 5 – Easter Monday (No Classes)	
Student Council Report:	 E.Gormley shared the Student Council Report students are always willing to get involved and assist with any Lenten activities and liturgies, daily announcements and prayer focus on wellness and mental health – Bell Let's Talk Day breakout rooms on Teams has been beneficial for students to connect with other students review of recent CtK STRONG campaign and it's success 	
Staff Report:	A.Bourque shared the following: - CtK Staff are excited to be back at school to welcome the students back - While we have all improved in remote learning, we are looking forward returning to school for in-person learning and instruction and continuing	
	to build a sense of community and connection with our students.	
Other Business:	to build a sense of community and connection with our students. No other business was raised	