



## ND Catholic School Council

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 @ 6:30 pm ND School Library

### In attendance:

Cheryl Delugt (Chair), Tiana Kayemba (student rep; joined later), Matthew Pichocki (student rep; joined later), Danielle Piantoni (teacher rep), Erica Nieuwenhuis, Sheila DeSousa, Norm Roberts (Principal), Joining by phone – Julie Tippet, Kim, Gail, Kim MacGregor, Gail Blakely, Kim Bevington

### Regrets:

Stephen Clarke, Marysia Papagianis, Jeannie Bugiardini, Brian Dunn, Fadi Sharaiha, Debbie Chertas, Helen Biggs, Charmaine Smith

### MEETING MINUTES

1	Welcome	Principal Norm Roberts & Cheryl Delugt Recorder – Erica Nieuwenhuis Meeting started at 6:34pm
2	Opening prayer	Principal Norm Roberts
3	Land acknowledgement	Principal Norm Roberts
4	Approval of March 21, 2023 meeting minutes.	Approved via email.
5	Approval of agenda	Motion by Sheila, Julie - carried
6	Guest Speaker	McCarthy Uniform representative was unable to attend the March meeting.
7	Student Reps Report	Tiana Kayemba & Matthew Pichocki (student reps)  <b>Smoothie fundraiser</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Blenders were purchased.</li> <li>○ Smoothies are available during lunch break.</li> </ul> <b>Krispy Kreme Donut fundraiser</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pickup on April 28</li> </ul> <b>Baby Goat Fundraiser</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ April 27th farm/vendor will bring Baby Goats</li> <li>○ \$3/ticket to cuddle baby goats</li> </ul> <b>Business Leadership Conference</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will be held on May 3th</li> <li>○ Theme is SOAR; visit their website for more information: <a href="https://www.ndbusinessleadership.com">https://www.ndbusinessleadership.com</a></li> <li>○ Will feature a panel of speakers drawing on local and recent ND graduates.</li> <li>○ School Council already supported conference with \$1000 contribution.</li> <li>○ Business Leadership Club raised \$7000 so far; goal is \$10000.</li> <li>○ Will make 500 tickets available. \$7/ticket for ND students; \$5/ticket for non-ND students. Ticket sales will close on May 1st</li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Require funds for hospitality (breakfast, lunch, snacks), merchandising (loot bags, gift baskets), guest speakers, decorations, excellence awards.</li> <li>○ Business Leadership Club would like additional funding to support the Business Leadership Conference. Proposing that if they raise another \$1000, School Council will match their efforts with contributing another \$1000.</li> <li>○ Due to low attendance, quorum is not met, and decision is deferred to vote by email in the following week.</li> </ul>
	<p>Student Success Workroom Proposal ND Community Relations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Student Success Strategy is Ministry of Education initiative set out to improve student achievement and dramatically reduce the dropout rate. The strategy helps students to tailor their education to individual strengths, goals, and interests. Since the pandemic, the social, emotional, mental health and academic needs of students has increased significantly. There is a need to create a place of safety and comfort where students feel welcomed and valued and as a result, create an environment where students will thrive socially, mentally, emotionally, and cognitively.</li> <li>○ Students presented a proposal to council asking for financial support in creating a unique, inclusive, and safe workroom to provide students with means to be successful and productive with their learning.</li> <li>○ A classroom has been set aside to be refurbished with this goal in mind.</li> <li>○ Students have been working on creating a floor plan, and researching suitable furnishings and supplies.</li> <li>○ Detailed estimates of costs have been provided.</li> <li>○ Funds are required for Furniture (\$6,946.98), Supplies (\$227, 76), Snacks (\$232,60) totaling \$7,404,34</li> <li>○ Have also applied for grants and other sources of funding.</li> <li>○ Students will do further research regarding exact amount of funding request. Decision with respect to council support deferred to next council meeting.</li> <li>○ Targeting September 2024 for Student Success Workroom to be open.</li> </ul>
8	Principal's Report	<p><b>Absence of Autism Day at ND:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Autism Day is usually observed at ND</li> <li>○ Did prayer and announcement on Autism Day</li> <li>○ Admin is exploring how to celebrate Autism Day moving forward taking into consideration new directives with respect to using the colour blue, puzzle pieces, etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>More food options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ More food options have been available.</li> <li>○ Pizza days are very popular.</li> <li>○ Unclear if / when cafeteria food service will be resumed.</li> <li>○ Perhaps space could be repurposed to create a “food court” where a series of smaller spaces could be rented out daily/weekly to host a variety of options, for example a smoothie bar, salad bar, sandwich vendor, pizza vendor, snack bar, etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Vulnerable Sector Checks:</b></p>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Indications from School Board that School Council members will have to obtain VSC to be kept on file at schools.</li> <li>○ Will enquire whether Board will reimburse parents for the associated cost.</li> <li>○ Will provide further update at future School Council Meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>Staffing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Due to some changes from Ministry of Education, staffing levels will change based on new ratios.</li> <li>○ ND will likely lose 2-3 teachers.</li> <li>○ Mandatory Tech Credit:</li> <li>○ Ministry of Education instituting mandatory tech credit to graduate.</li> <li>○ Limitations include insufficient classroom space and not enough experienced teachers to teach the course.</li> <li>○ Will provide more information as it becomes available.</li> </ul> <p><b>Facility upgrades:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accessible washroom to be installed in May.</li> <li>○ New magnets on doors.</li> <li>○ \$9000 grant secured for machine shop (private industry funding).</li> </ul>
9	Chair's Report	<p><b>Cookies for Students:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Terracotta cookies</li> <li>○ 1140 students; would need 19 cases at \$49.80 + HST/case</li> <li>○ Wednesday delivery</li> <li>○ Will start beginning of June</li> </ul> <p><b>Cobbs Fundraiser:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Julie will take over managing this fundraiser from Cheryl.</li> <li>○ Involves the occasional Facebook post and picking up cheque from Cobs and delivering it to the school to be deposited.</li> <li>○ Next cheque available in June.</li> </ul> <p><b>ProGrant BBQ:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Was held on March 30th coinciding with Parent-Teacher interview night.</li> <li>○ Very successful and provided a great opportunity to speak with parents.</li> <li>○ Parent survey results were sent to council members, will be further discussed when more members are present.</li> </ul> <p><b>CPIC nominations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Google form will be circulated to select CPIC nomination by council vote.</li> <li>○ Bios have been circulated.</li> <li>○ Submit ranked choices by April 28</li> </ul>
10	Chaplain's Report	Not available
11	Committees' Reports	<b>Treasurer – Sheila</b>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bank Balance = \$18266.20</li> <li>○ Should set aside \$5000 for 2023-2024 council</li> </ul> <p><b>Communications – Erica</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No updates</li> </ul> <p><b>Event &amp; Fundraising – Nicole/Melissa</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No updates</li> </ul> <p><b>OAPCE - Kim MacGregor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ OAPCE virtual meeting on March 27, 2023: Guest speaker Anthony Perrotta shared her presentation called, “When Faith Meets Movies” - a parent presentation and guide to watching popular Hollywood films through a Catholic faith lens, with the goal to provide families with an opportunity to truly connect.</li> </ul> <p><b>Community – Marc</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No updates</li> </ul>
12	New Business	<p>All</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No new business</li> <li>○ Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm</li> </ul>
13	Closing Prayer	Principal Norm Roberts
14	Next Meeting	Tuesday, May 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 at 6:30 pm

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

- Tues., May 16, 2023 6:30pm
- Tues., June 13, 2023 6:30pm