

Guardian Angels Catholic School Council Minutes
October 5, 2020

1. Agenda Review
2. Opening Prayer
3. Land Acknowledgement
4. Commissioning Prayer Service
5. Opening Prayer
 - a. I Corinthians 12:4-11
 - b. Responsorial Antiphon
 - c. Prayer of the Faithful
 - d. Closing Prayer

6. School Council Introduction \ Welcome

7. Role of School Council
 - a. Council's Role
 - b. Principal's Role
 - c. Teacher's Role
 - d. Community Member's Role
 - e. Support Staff Role
 - f. Parish Representative Role
 - g. Parent's Role

8. Responsibility of the Council
 - a. Chair
 - b. Members
 - c. Principal

9. Rules surrounding meetings
10. Terms of office
11. Code of Ethics

12. School Based decision making
 - a. everyone needs to be involved
 - b. decisions regarding policies, programs and services
 - c. Focus on Students

13. Pledge - To be e-mailed to each member to be filled out, signed, and returned
14. Declaration - To be e-mailed to each member to be filled out, signed, and returned

15. Open floor for nominations for chair/co-chairs
 - a. Foster and Gatto nominated
 - b. Santos J (nominates), Gatto Seconds, Gyles, John, Also, Santos, M, and Foster in
 - c. favour
 - d. Votes:
 - e. Bunmi, Gyles, John, Penman, Reed, Santos, Vergata (Yes)
 - f. Passed

16. Open floor for nominations for parish rep
17. Trish Vergata nominated and passed as Parish Rep.

18. Administrators Report shared by A. Sofia Starr (further info. see attached)
 - a) Virtual school liturgy with Father Jim - Friday October 2. Was shared with virtual school students as well
 - b) First Communion (Grade 3's) and Confirmation will take place in January, February and March
 - c) Grade 2's in spring after Easter
 - d) Online parent meeting in October with Fr Jim to review dates and expectations
 - e) Divisional assemblies occurred Friday Sept 25th using Teams
 - f) Fire drills will occur next week and the week after Thanksgiving
 - g) Lock Down drill will occur the week after Thanksgiving
 - h) Photo Day postponed until we receive direction from the Board
 - i) Curriculum night has been delayed and will most likely be virtual. Aiming for Third week of October

 - j) Orange Shirt Day Sept 30 in recognition of Residential School survivors

 - k) Great start to the school year despite Covid-19
 - l) School is participating in the MathUp Classroom program – licences purchased for all Gr. 1-8 teachers. Focus on social and emotional learning w respect to math using the "First 20 days of Math". Social and Emotional learning is a new Math strand in the new curriculum

 - m) Long range plans for Math are to be followed by all teachers to ensure continuity between in- person and online classrooms

 - n) Gr. 7-8 Rotary is postponed due to rotary. All subjects are being taught in homerooms.
 - o) History for first 7 weeks followed by geography.

 - p) Cross country and volleyball have been cancelled due to Covid
 - q) Basketball TBD

 - r) Review Return to School Plan
 - a. Questions?
 - b. Mr. Sub monies owed? Grade 8's should have already received money back
 - c. Chris Hawken has spoken to Mr. Sub and they are willing to give refunds if needed. Parents to speak to restaurant directly for refund or credit. School was not involved in organizing payments thru School Cash Online.

19. Virtual Bishops Dinner November 4th at 6:30
20. Council of Chairs meeting October 28th at 6:30 virtually
21. Next school council meeting Monday Nov 2nd

22. Open:
 - 220 Online learners from GA
 - 660 In-Person learners

23. Recent survey results:

- Just under 20 returning
- Just over 20 going virtual

Do not anticipate any further staff changes subject to board approval

40 devices have been provided to families for online learning which has left the school short of laptops within the school. Technology is a fundraising priority.

Parent Q/A:

Q. Will budget be reviewed next meeting?

A. Budget will be reviewed at next meeting.

School generated funds are from two years ago. No funds were raised last year.

Q. Possible virtual dance party to raise funds?

A. Possibly.

Q. How can council help out within the community? Build a connection between virtual and physical school?

A. Virtual school is included in announcements, liturgy and teachers follow our bells. Virtual teachers are part of supervision and included in the school community.

Q. W/O the uniform exchange is there a need for uniforms?

A. 72 hour rule. We do have uniforms, but we are holding on to them and are families are currently being supported through ISW.

Food for thought program is still being supported.

Reached out to Hot lunch families to support them as hot lunches are not currently being offered.

CLOSING PRAYER

Jasmine Pereira volunteered to be secretary.