

**St. Paul Catholic School Catholic School  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 6th, 2018 School Library  
~ 6:30 – 8:00 p.m**

**MINUTES**

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| <b>1</b> | <p><b>Call to Order</b></p> <p>Meeting was called to order at p.m.<br/>In attendance:</p> <p>Mrs. Laura-Lee Branco<br/>Mrs. Michelle Greenway-Secretary<br/>Mrs. Adriana Leal<br/>Mrs. Stephanie MacMillan-Parish Representative<br/>Mrs. Becky Nield<br/>Mrs. Tenessa VanHeukelom-co chair<br/>Mr. Peter Temoche<br/>Mrs. Rosanna Tamas-co chair<br/>Mrs. Gina Vono-Community Representative/OAPCE Representative<br/>Principal - Mr. Nelson Costa</p> <p>Absent:<br/>Mrs. Marissa Pitt-Teaching Staff Representative<br/>Mrs. Maria Cianciosi-Non Teaching Staff Representative</p> <p>Welcome and Prayer</p> |
| <b>2</b> | <p><b>Minutes of last meeting-Approval</b></p> <p>November 28, 2017 minutes - Moved by seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.</p>   |
| <b>3</b> | <p><b>Business arising from the minutes</b></p> <p>none</p>   |
| <b>4</b> | <p><b>Principal Report: Nelson Costa</b></p> <p>See attached Report</p>   |
| <b>5</b> | <p><b>Council of Chairs Report: Co-chairs Mrs. Tenessa VanHeukelom &amp; Mrs. Rosanna Tamas</b></p> <p>• Feb 28th : Our Lady of Fatima, Milton • May 23rd : St. Mary, Oakville</p> <p>Update on Movie Night-huge success. Lorax showed. Approx 90 kids. Sold popcorn for \$1/bag. Cost out \$67, profit \$98. Also included extra decorations, treats and raffles and was very well received. Suggestion for future is to keep the movie a surprise to encourage all ages to attend. ?run another in June before the PA Day. Discuss at April 9 meeting.</p>  |
| <b>6</b> | <p><b>Staff Report: Nelson Costa</b></p> <p>Upcoming Events:</p> <p>Bingo Night – Wednesday, April 11th if not available 7pm Tenessa Budget \$TBD<br/>Shrove Tuesday – Feb 13th @ 9:15, delivery to classrooms at 9:30. Volunteers needed. Pancakes to be delivered to classrooms. Cost to school \$575. Requesting \$2/pp on school cash online to offset cost.</p>  |

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|    | <p>Valentine's Day Dance- Kindergarten dance Tuesday the 13th ?wear red<br/> Save Dance for Spring Fling.<br/> Family Games Night - Wednesday May 16th 7pm-Cancelled<br/> Play Day and Hot Dog lunch - Tuesday June 26</p> <p>New Staff covering some leaves in the school. Students and staff coping well.</p> <p>Parent concerns about parking lot. Mr. Costa to remind staff about designated staff lot.<br/> School community to be encouraged to walk to school more regularly versus driving.</p>  |
| 7  | <p><b>New Business: Nelson Costa</b></p> <p>Kindergarten Natural Playground-Spring 2018, to be ready by next September at latest. Final 3D Renders shared with the council. ?Plant sale<br/> Uniform Exchange – Swap Shop, open all year for drop off and pick up. Asking for donations in December. Organized according to size. Still waiting on bars to outfit room and to set up properly. Currently save the tax at ISW for the month of February.<br/> Next year fundraiser-Halloween Dance-a-thon to be planned in May &amp; June, QSP this year profit \$4500.<br/> Next year Christmas Bazaar-Children to buy gifts, need to gather donations<br/> Bring in a milk program for Fall. White and chocolate. Can generate a small profit, charge \$1 and make approx. 0.25c profit.</p>  |
| 8  | <p><b>Upcoming dates</b><br/> See calendar</p>   |
| 9  | <p><b>Catholic School Council Goals</b><br/> This will be an ongoing agenda item and will revisit often • We identified some items that we want to continue and who the lead would be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pizza Day – Jen Landry to pass to Rosanna</li> <li>• Sub/Pita Day – students to deliver</li> <li>• Pancake Day – Nelson Costa – will need volunteers for distribution</li> <li>• Uniform Swap – Laura-Lee to generate email about ongoing swap once Nelson has set up the room</li> <li>• HFFT Snack Baskets – Michelle Needham</li> <li>• Bingo Night – Tenessa</li> <li>• Yearbook – CYC and student mentors</li> <li>• Play Day Hot Dog Lunch – Becky and Adriana</li> <li>• Buddy Bench – speak up grant</li> <li>• Robotics Kit – Mrs. Pitt</li> <li>• Family Games Night – Gina and Michelle</li> <li>• Movie Night – Tenessa and Gina</li> <li>• Art Gallery – Tenessa to tie in with 50th anniversary for next September</li> <li>• Plant sale – maybe for Mother’s day or Easter</li> </ul> |
| 10 | <p><b>Christian Meditation</b></p>   |
| 11 | <p><b>Grants</b></p> <p>Request for grant to run another program. ?Active Chef ?Zumba ?DrumFit ?Math Games<br/> Request grant for Salad Bar- Due March 31st (would be every Wednesday and students get to pick what they want on their salad buffet style, parent volunteer needed from 1130-130 to execute and clean up.)</p>   |

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| 12 | <p><b>Other Business</b></p> <p>Tenessa-Fundraising opportunity at Rockin' Jump and are open to offering school donations<br/> Grade 7&amp;8 contest "Kindess Award" Can do any medium (art, video, poem, essay) "If I ran a pet shop"<br/> McMaster programs and presentations based on current curriculum. Free program.<br/> Halton Abuse Center-can do presentations in classrooms or the gym on a variety of topics (ie bullying)<br/> Letter-Sounds-and Words-Government lunch program to help with literacy, speech etc for identified students</p> <p>?increase intramural sports in the winter.</p> <p>?add lunch groups run by parents</p> <p>Future Meetings-April 9th, June 11th</p> |
| 13 | <p><b>Motion to Adjourn</b></p> <p>Motion to Adjourn by Nelson Costa seconded by Michelle Adjourned at 8pm. Motion carried.</p>  |

Recorded by:  
Michelle Greenway

Approved: Nelson Costa  
Date:

# Principal's Report – February 6, 2018



## Believing

1. Food Drive – St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive success (Mrs. Densmore's Gr. 5 Class wins extra gym period)
2. Christmas Mass Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>
3. Christmas Concert – Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>
4. Out of the Cold Program success
5. Mass at St. Paul on Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> – Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul
6. Confirmation Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>
7. First Communion Parent Meeting – Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>
8. Rosary Group continues
9. Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations – Monthly focus "A Self-Directed, Responsible, Life Long Learner – I am a Learner for Life"
10. Focus on Faith grade level themes
11. Christian Meditation continues
12. Valentine's Day Celebrations and activities Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>
13. Ash Wednesday – Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>
14. Report Cards – learning skills through a Catholic lens

## Achieving

1. Renewed Math Strategy participation – lead teachers and principal
2. School Improvement Plan – focus on our Problem of Practice: *Data from various sources show evidence that students lack conceptual understanding of many mathematical concepts. Students have difficulty determining an approach to a task (make a plan) and assessing reasonableness (reflect and review) of their solutions.* Theories of action developed by Division to focus on this.
3. Black History Month – announcements, classroom learning
4. After School Math Groups – Grades 7, 8
5. After School Literacy Groups – Grades 7, 8
6. Before school EQAO support groups – Grades 3 and 6
7. Report Cards go home on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>
8. Public Speaking – Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00pm
9. Reading Intervention Programs (closing gaps ie. Lexia and Empower)
10. Physical Education Renewal – equipment updated

## **Belonging**

### **Council Supported Initiatives**

1. Halton Food for Thought - Snack Basket Program continues
2. Pizza and Mr. Sub/LunchBox programs continue
3. Movie Night

### **Student Voice Initiatives**

1. Peer Mentors group – Food Drive, Out of the Cold Drive, Winter Olympics Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>
2. Licence2Learn Mentors – Grade 7 students work with Grade 3 students weekly
3. Games Club Gr. 1 & 2 – Grade 6 PALS lead - starting soon
4. Coding Club – Grades 5 and 6
5. Crochet Club – Grades 5 and 6
6. Eco Club - National Sweater Day and Winter Walk Day

### **Programs**

6. Basketball Teams are up and running – regular season begins soon
7. Knights of Columbus Free Throw Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>
8. Instrumental Band – Grade 8
9. Assumption Partnership – Basketball Tournaments, Gr. 4 and 5 Ball Hockey Jan 24<sup>th</sup>
10. MindUp Pilot Program – Grade 5 and 6
11. Brixology (Paid program) – Grades 1 – 6 on Tuesdays
12. Little Jammers Ukulele Club (paid program) – Grades 1 – 6
13. Mathstronauts (paid program) – Grades 5 -8 on Wednesdays
14. Assumption Coop students Term 2
15. ECE Candidate Term 2

## **Foundational Elements**

1. Natural Playground - Spring
2. Communications – Website and School Connects Emails
3. Volunteers Needed: Shrove Tuesday, Pizza Day