



St. Simon Stock Catholic School Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting – November 20, 2023

In attendance: G. Roy, A. Belmonte, J. Guzzo, X. Robinson, P. Power, V. Slusarczyk, T. Benko, K. Ejzenchart, M. Lariviere, J. Lopez, S. Mazzeo (11 voting members present), I. Stewart
Absent: J. Joseph, A. Mauro, D. Capicotto, V. Correia, M. Dias

Opening prayer, welcome, and introductions

Review and approval of October 5, 2023 meeting minutes:

- ✓ Motion to vote – 11 votes
- ✓ Motion to approve – 11 votes

Teacher's report (Ms. Guzzo and Mrs. Belmonte)

- Christmas concert on Dec. 13 at 9:30am for primary & junior students (Gr. JK to Gr. 6)
- Details will be sent to the school community soon
- Broadcast team is broadcasting morning announcements each day
- Council will invite representatives from student groups to an upcoming meeting to share what they are working on: Student Council, EcoSchools Club, Well-being Crew, Healthy Schools Team, Diversity & Equity Club, etc.

OAPCE representative report (V. Slusarczyk)

- Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education is celebrating their 85th year
- OAPCE is the voice of parents and guardians of children enrolled in Ontario's Catholic schools
- OAPCE Dufferin-Peel meeting was held on October 30, 2023 at the board's head office
- Presentation on "Home, school, and beyond"
- Importance of family creating a loving and safe foundation for student success

Parish report (X. Robinson on behalf of A. Mauro)

- Sacraments at St. Josephine Bakhita Church
- First Communion: April 27 at 10:30 am and Confirmation: April 25 at 6:00 pm
- Sacrament preparation classes have started at the Parish from now until April

Treasurer's report (P. Power)

- \$7,369 was raised from the Halloween dance-a-thon fundraiser
- Funds raised on School Cash Online and some cash received at the school
- Subtracted School Cash Online 2% fee and costs for prizes, supplies and, decorations



2023/2024 Council budget review and approval

- ✓ Motion to vote – 11 votes
- ✓ Motion to approve – 11 votes

2023-2024 St. Simon Stock Catholic School Council Budget				
DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ANNUAL COMMITMENT	NOTES
EXPENSES				
Bank fees	\$59.40		Yes	\$4.95 per month x 12
Classroom supplies	\$3,200.00		Yes	\$200 per teacher x 16
Family engagement event	\$1,000.00		Yes	
Grade 8 awards	\$500.00		Yes	
Gym & athletics equipment	\$500.00		Yes	
Pancake Tuesday	\$500.00		Yes	
Phonics books	\$500.00		Yes	
Sacraments (First Communion & Confirmation)	\$610.20		Yes	
Scientist in the school	\$2,988.00		Yes	\$249 per class x 12
Sharelife donation	\$500.00		Yes	
Supplies and decorations for Council activities	\$500.00		Yes	
Technology replacement (SmartBoard)	\$4,000.00		Yes	
Transportation for sports teams, field trips, etc.	\$1,000.00		Yes	
Treat day for students in June	\$1,500.00		Yes	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$17,357.60			
INCOME				
Bank balance carry-forward from June 2023	\$967.36			
	Estimated			
Pizza (Oct. 12 - Dec. 21)	\$3,317.00			
Pizza (Jan. 11 - Mar. 28)	\$3,000.00			
Pizza (Apr. 4 - Jun. 13)	\$3,000.00			
Fundraiser 1 (Halloween dance-a-thon)	\$7,000.00			
Fundraiser 2 (TBD)	\$2,000.00			
Family engagement grant	\$500.00			
TOTAL INCOME	\$19,784.36			
BALANCE as of November 2, 2023	\$2,426.76			



Chair's report (X. Robinson)

- Thank you to Council and volunteers for helping to make the Halloween fundraiser a success!
- February 26, 2024 booked for Sacrament rosary bracelets workshop for Gr. 2 and Gr. 7 students
- Pizza provider discussion. A contract has been made with Gino's for this school year. Suggest sending a survey to the school community and discussing the pizza provider for next school.
- Reading program discussion. Positive feedback from primary parents/guardians on having the emerging reader books sent home.
- Mrs. Roy and the primary teachers will discuss the reading program and update Council. Parent/guardian volunteers are available to read to students and/or help distribute books
- Christmas donation drive discussion. In previous years, the "Angel on the Tree" program collected donations of gift cards and gifts for families in need.
- Spring fundraiser discussion.

Principal's Report (Mrs. Roy)

- Mrs. Joseph's class has a new student teacher Mr. Wyszowski
- School sports update. Thanks to the Coaches!
- Junior and intermediate girls and boys volleyball teams
- Intermediate co-ed flag football team
- Swim to survive for Gr. 3 students funded by City of Mississauga grant
- EQAO results will be sent out for Gr. 3 and Gr. 6 students (tested in 2022-2023 school year)
- Parish has communicated Sacrament preparation classes,
- Upcoming skiing and snowboarding field trips (paid excursions)
- Gr. 8 trip planning is underway
- Gr. 8 Tuck Shop proceeds will help to subsidize trip and graduation costs
- Mrs. Belmonte and Mrs. Santos started a HackerGirl Club – Coding for girls (Gr. 6 to Gr. 8)
- Hackathon in the spring
- Chess club coming-up
- Sound system purchase order is approved and Barry Communications will schedule the work

Open forum for discussion:

- School boundaries discussion and qualifying for a bus outside of the school's zone. Suggestion to contact the bus company STOPR.
- Ideas for additional activities for students like Artist in the School, ballroom dancing, drumming workshop, etc. some are paid activities.

Next meeting proposed on Thursday, February 1

Meeting adjourned