



## AGENDA and Minutes

Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, November 23 · 5:30 pm

Virtual Google Meet joining link

<https://meet.google.com/ogq-akae-chw?hs=122&authuser=0>

#### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

- a. Opening Prayer-Thanks...DEL
- b. Roll Call-Tony DellaVentura, Dino Germano, Patricia Casburn, Paul McGuireVlad Brundala, Jordyn Nesbit, Nicole Coffey, Jeremy Harb Nick Pinelli, Maria Brgn Regrets: Danuela Freel Mark Johnson, Kathy O'Reilly, Karen Petrovsky, Richard Kawakchuck
- c. Approval of Agenda-first - JN, second - NP
- d. Approval of the Meeting Minutes , Catholic School Council Meeting of Wednesday, September 23, 2021-first- NP, second - NC

#### B. PRESENTATIONS

- a. PA Day Agenda Nov. 19, 2021-new methods of learning, building thinking classrooms. No front or back of the class. Allowing more autonomy. Students stand, collaborate in groups of 3. Work on a vertical wall. We also looked at unlearning behavior along with OSSLT. How we treat those in need in our community. Focus on destreaming grade 9 and pathways to futures.
- b. School Improvement Planning: in the process of setting goals. Improving our literacy and numeracy scores. Goals were shared in the meeting. We also looked at SEF goals. From here we will develop strategies moving forward. Discussion on destreaming and evaluation methods. The teacher would use various methods of assessment.

#### C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK-DEL shared the policies below

You are invited to provide feedback on the following policies currently under review:

- a. Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5)
- b. Supporting Children and Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions Policy (302.1)
- c. Trustee Honorarium Policy (100.11)

These policies have been attached and will be included in our meeting minutes for reference

**Please submit your feedback to [jennifer.pellegrini@ncdsb.com](mailto:jennifer.pellegrini@ncdsb.com) by 12 pm on December 15, 2021**

#### D. STUDENT REPORT – Vladimir Brundula-Student council have had Halloween spirit week followed by bullying awareness week/positive messaging. Looking forward to Christmas spirit week and the purse fundraiser. Hot lunches to school using the elementary model. Possible parent council assistance. Plan to be announced. Discussion about lunches and grade parings with regard to Covid regulations. Revisit for semester 2

#### E. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – T. DellaVentura

- a. Update on events and activities ...please see details in Principal report
- b. Uniform – shorts/skirts treated equally
- c. New affordable Spirt wear available on line [Saint Francis Spirit Wear.pdf](#)  
Discussion of the Pilgrimage and how well we did as a smaller school. We will aid those in need, Sisters and Guatemala. We also assist those in our own community. Discussion included assisting other groups. P-report: We are currently starting our OSSLT. Virtual Grade 8 day coming up. Gr. 9 TKWD was virtual as well. Quad 1 wrapped up. We are currently in Quad 2 and green dates on the calendar are summative testing. Quads are ~44 days each. Attendance is crucial. Activities some mentioned above other: Athletics-Girls Bbl and Boys Vbl SOSSA finalists- Winter sports have begun, University and College prep, Indigenous recognition, many clubs and activities are starting up: Mathletes, REACH, choir, Rosary club. We are trying a wine fundraiser to help enhance school needs.

**F. STAFF REPORT –** P. Casburn- (please see report for more details) we had success with students getting community service for streaming school events. We had a small celebration with Fr. Kowalchuk. Slowly get back to normal. The 44 day cycle was discussed. There are positives and negative to the new model. You should get regular communication from teachers: the parent portal, phone calls and emails. We encourage parents to reach out as well. The breakfast and snack assistance program continues. The help is always available. Please use the school website, social media and or call the school. Much thought has gone into running OSSLT at our school. The literacy team did a great job organizing the testing. There are two NCVLE platforms: Grade 12 student services NCVLE.-all grade 12/grad information upcoming. The other platform addresses the rest of the school with the future of high school: courses, community service, etc. We encourage students to engage in the platforms and or the school website. Sam Magpao has done a great job with Instagram: students use it quite often. We will continue to keep our community updated .

**G. AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS-** Parents asked about the robotics club- we are looking for a moderator for the robotics club. We are cognizant of those who do not play sports. We are encouraging music, clubs and student driven activities. We are very busy at our school and are using every means available to keep our activities going. We will continue to do our best.

**H. NEXT MEETING**

a. Virtual - Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:30pm

**I. CLOSING PRAYER-MCG-** Thanks -

**J. ADJOURNMENT**