

**Good Shepherd Parent Council Meeting
February 3, 2022 via Zoom**

Present:

Jennifer Vieira	Lucy Ramdass	Marisol Avila
Maura Santanilla	Ana Valente	Amanda Rogers
Antonella Oliveri-Mifsud	Debbie Cienfuegos	

Regrets:

Tiz Carabott	Melissa Delgado	Ani Rapallo
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Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Land acknowledgement, opening prayer and welcome was conducted.

Ani Rapallo has left Parent Council. Debbie Cienfuegos has joined us as the OPACE Rep.

Virtual meeting protocols were reviewed.

Agenda was reviewed and approved (motion made by M. Santanilla; seconded by L. Ramdass).

Minutes of November 10, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved (motion made by L. Ramdass; seconded by A. Valente).

Chair's Report

- Nothing to report.

Teacher's Report

- Wellness week was held last week. Students teamed up against mental health. There was a different event every day of the week. There were also activities throughout the week – poster contest, for example.
- Virtues assembly for January took place. There is a new virtue for February and activities will be planned around it.
- Students have received their classroom peace boxes.
- Black History Month assembly is being held tomorrow.
- Sacramental Gifts – There are 22 students registered for Confirmation and 18 students registered for First Communion. Motion made for Parent Council to cover the cost of the Sacramental Gifts. Vote held to spend \$5 per student for First Communion and \$10 per student for Confirmation (total spend of \$310) (motion made: L. Ramdass; seconded by: M. Santanilla; D. Cienfuegos; A. Valente).

Principal's Report

- Site inspection request has been made to the City of Brampton to request a crossing guard for the intersection at Red River Drive and Barleyfield Road. The request was placed on the agenda for the City's January meeting for approval.
 - J. Vieira to follow-up with the City of Brampton for the status.

- Grad Wear
 - One vendor (Marshand) has provided information. T-shirts will cost \$9.70 each plus taxes (100% cotton). There is a \$20 set-up fee as well. Hoodies are \$24.20 plus taxes and a set-up fee. Delivery is estimated at about three (3) weeks.
 - Second vendor – Information to follow.
 - Third vendor – Information to follow.
- A letter was issued to the community following-up on safety concerns at the school. No change has been noticed. Will be communicated over the announcements with a view to encourage students to take a leadership role and some responsibility in this area.
- Grant - \$500 has been made available to Good Shepherd. The purpose of this grant is to support parent engagement activities. Plan is to be made for the spending. Funds have been deposited into the school account but belongs to the School Council budget.
- Covid Update
 - Contract tracing no longer taking place
 - Since return to school after the holidays, there have been three (3) presumed cases
 - New screening forms have been distributed and are being used
- Reorganization date is February 22, 2022. There will be minimal disruption.
- Board Level Data – J. Vieira will be meeting with some staff to go over the data and see how our school is doing in relation to the report.
- February Virtue is “respect”. A purchase has been made from Saidat for virtual workshops called “20 Days of Learning” and virtual division assemblies.
- Google slide presentation is being put together to celebrate black authors and will be shared with parents through Google Classrooms.
- Looking for a school-wide anti-bullying program. J. Vieira will be meeting with Brave to see what they can offer.
- The Wellness Committee has done some amazing work to support student well-being. This is a priority area.
- Report cards scheduled to be sent home electronically on February 14.
- Grade 8 Graduation – Vote held for Parent Council to cover the cost of \$425 for t-shirts as graduation gifts for the Grade 8s. Motion made: M. Avila; seconded by M. Santanilla, L. Ramdass and A. Valente.

Treasurer’s Report

- Budget Update – Balance is \$3,523.80, plus \$500 from the grant.
- Allocation of Funds Towards Class Games - Classrooms were canvassed for three (3) games they would like added to the classroom for indoor time. Vote held for Parent Council to cover the cost of \$720 for the purchase of the board games. Motion made by M. Avila; seconded by A. Valente, D. Cienfuegos and M. Santanilla. M. Avila to purchase games on behalf of Parent Council and deliver to the school.

Parish Representative’s Update

- Semi-locked down for mass. Cannot have functions in the basement.

- First Reconciliations have been scheduled. Communication will be sent out tomorrow.
- Youth Group has been postponed for now.

OAPCE Report

- Nothing to report.

Other Business

- Milestone vaccines for 12 year olds and 13 year olds who missed them due to covid and school closures – Region of Peel was contacted back in November for an update. These vaccines will be relaunched in the near future.
- Grade 8 Overnight Trip – This trip is still on hold pending direction from the school board.
- Parent Council Meeting Dates – Meeting dates for the next two (2) meetings were set: April 7, 2022 and May 19, 2022.

With no other business, further questions or topics for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m. (motion made by M. Avila; seconded by L. Ramdass).

Next meeting – April 7, 2022