OLMCY Catholic School Council: May 16, 2024 @ 6:30PM

In Attendance: L. Marchand (Principal), K. Stephenson, N. Shea, J. Brancaleoni (Virtual), S. Shehadeh (Virtual), C. Dougherty (Teacher Rep), M. Anderson (Treasurer)

Non-Member Attendance: N. Parakh (Virtual)

Regrets: K. Chan, M. D'Souza, L. Shenoudah

6:35 Starting

Welcome, Prayer, and Land Acknowledgement: Kayla Stephenson (Chair)

Approval of Agenda: 1st: Nadia Shea; 2nd. Sandra Shehadeh Approval of April Minutes: 1st. Nadia Shea; 2nd: Sandra Shehadeh

Chair's report

- Last week was Catholic Education week
- This week is National Family Life week

Treasurer's Report

- Scientist in the school workshop payment through
- \$14,197 in account
- Payment for mural not through yet

Principal's Report

Events since our last meeting:

- Catholic Education Week: We Are Called to Love. Classes all completed lessons focused on the theme and presented artifacts from their learning at our Catholic Ed Week Liturgy on Monday. School reflections each morning during announcements.
- Morning Star School Rosary: Crowning of Mary Celebrations yesterday. Two gatherings, 1 for FDK to Grade 4 and the other for Grade 5-8. The celebration included students doing readings and leading the gathering in prayer as well as crowning Mary. This year the focus was on "Our Lady of Guadalupe". The volunteers shared a video about the story of the Lady prior to praying the rosary together. They were beautiful gatherings! We are blessed with a wonderful group of Rosary Volunteers, who love coming to Our Lady of Mercy School.
 - Confirmation at Merciful Redeemer for the Grade 7's
 - Gonzaga Transition Day
 - Camp Muskoka
- Aladdin!!!! What a massive hit! Three fantastic shows, including one in the evening for community members and one for students at Divine Mercy and Seton.
 - Eco Pollinator Garden
 - Grade 6 Trip to the Canadian Heritage War Plane Museum
 - Track and Field Day

Coming up:

- May 21st Victoria Day: No school
- May 22nd in the evening is the Journey Into Learning Night for new JK students
- May 23rd FDK at the Living Arts Centre
- May 28 th: Mississauga Fire Presentations
- EQAO Starting
- Team photos for Yearbook
- Grade 2 First Communion: May 26 th
- Intermediate Soccer Tournament
- Intermediate Softball Tournament
- Track and Field Meet @ St. Marcellinus
- Hackergals off to Stein
- DPCDSB Dress Code Expectations: Presentation
- Shared presentation sent by Board
- Opportunity for parent feedback
- Religion and Family Life Curriculum: Updates
- Shared presentation sent by Board about revised curriculum

Presentation by Ms. Marchand: Updated Dress Code Information

Presentation by Ms. Marchand: Family Life Curriculum

Catholic School Council Survey:

- Go through questions to get feedback and responses

Parish Report

- Nothing new to report
- Continue to include link to Merciful Redeemer in the Weekend Update for parents to visit for parish happenings

New Business

Graduation:

- ✓ Is a parent committee necessary?
- ✓ The hall will be getting things ready for graduation.
- ✓ May not require parents for decorating.
- ✓ Keep parents in mind if needed

Staff Appreciation:

- ✓ Does Council want to provide something to teachers for appreciation for their efforts through the year?
- ✓ Last year \$10 Tim's Card
- ✓ Motion to purchase \$10 Starbucks cards for all staff (Motion by K. Stephenson, Seconded by M. Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.
- ✓ 31 staff total

End of meeting

7:40pm

Motion to Adjourn: 1st : Nadia Shea

2nd : Jessica Brancaleoni