Catholic School Council Venerable Michael J McGivney January 15, 2020

Present
Jennifer Silva
Francisco Ferreira
Nancy Rebelo
Natalie Grossi
Daniel Birkenbergs
April Ferreira

Regrets Mariella Lopes-Diaz Maria Sciarretta Janet Foster Lorraine Fernandes Liza De Sousa

Meeting called to order 631pm

Guest: Richard from Big Box Cards

Guest: Melissa Panetta / Parent

Big Box of Cards

\$33 per box /Top class in sales gets a pizza party. Grand prize draw is an iPod /tablet for top seller. The school must sell 400 boxes and the winner is picked from ballots. They will also give us 4 \$25 of gift card for other prizes. Every family will be given a box to be sent home. The company will supply bags and labels. The representative had suggested doing this campaign every 2 years. His suggestion is to run the campaign over a 3-week period with a week to collect outstanding boxes. He suggested only selling one box. Nancy asked if it was possible to sell both options or do we have to sell only one. The payments would be made Cash online and order forms will be sent home with the boxes. If we order before the 31st of March, the delivery would be free and returned boxes would be free as well. The company will send a presentation for the students via slideshow with script that we can run ourselves. They have posters to put up in school to advertise.

Frank questioned if the HST included in total of \$33? Jennifer said she would follow up.

Approval of Minutes

Motion – Frank Ferreira

2nd Motion – Nancy Rebelo

Approval of Agenda

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Principal Report – please see attached

Strike information: Work to rule OECTA

Teachers will not be attending any meetings, and this will be continuing until further notice. Please make sure parents are checking emails and twitter for regular updates. A one-day strike will take place on 21 Jan 2020 and all schools will be closed. Schools will be back to regular operation on Wednesday. The positions are far apart from union and government and the teachers are in a legal strike position. It is not a dispute with local union, but it is province dispute. There is hope that there is a quick resolution. On Friday, there will be information pickets and teachers will be handing out a flyer. One strike action is report cards and they will look a lot of difference then before. The FDK report cards will have one comment only and for grades 1-8 will be grades only. this may change depending on what happens with strike. There has been no direction on interview night if teachers are still on strike. Pizza may be extended a week later.

Expenses are on the school website with updated monies of school account.

Chair Report

We had a lot of accomplishments in December. Santa photos during the day and Open house in the evening. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who not only paid for cookies/coffee and hot chocolate but were present to help make and distribute to our families. We raffled off a 6-inch Poinsettia that was given to us from our supplier and a \$25 gift voucher from Maple Lodge farms to 2 families that donated to ShareLife to attend the open house. Our school collected over 100 shoe boxes to donate to Canada Feed the Children. Jennifer Silva and another parent took the boxes down to the warehouse for them to be sent overseas. Cookies and milk were distributed to all students. We donated over \$300 to items needed by Half Ministries to distribute to the homeless and shelters in our area.

Family Astronomy night is in the works for this year. Chair is getting more information on cost and how the Family night will run.

Pancake Tuesday will be on the 25th of February. Rates are the same as last year and Lunch Lady will be providing the service. Council will order for the teachers as well.

Treasure Report

November Bank Statement ending balance was 9980.33

Deposits from Poinsettia campaign/2 outstanding cheques to be cashed

December Bank Statement ending balance was 7744.58/payments made for a total of \$2194.77/one outstanding cheque for milk payment.

Still waiting on a check from the Halloween donations made into school generated account apposed to Council account.

Poinsettia fundraiser made approximately \$257.00

Classroom allocation of \$100 will be used by the teacher before March break.

Financial motion to November 19 and Dec 19

Motion - Nancy Rebello and Jennifer Silva 2nd the motion

Parish Report

2020 Alfa Course runs for 10 weeks and starts on the 26 Jan. 16, 20

Parish is celebrating the Philippines on the 19th of Jan after 12:30pm mass. Tickets are \$10 and there are still some available if interested.

First Communion participants are 30 children. The numbers of Confirmation students have not been confirmed.

OAPCE

Next meeting is the 29th of Jan. They will be updating what is happening in regard to the strike.

Big Box

Cards all occasion/birthday

Council decided to send the All occasion box home. Is it possible to have the option of both box cards? Start selling March 23rd for 3 weeks and end the campaign just after Easter. A suggestion was made to make a copy of the box and the back of box so that parents can see options.

Region of Peel Safety.

Should have a report at the end of the month. Then there will be a walk about with students and teachers to see what the issues are for walking. Once the walk is done then there is a report sent to city and changes will be made.

Other Business

Council spoke to Edge imagining regarding a Spring family photo session and Communion photos. Mr. Birkenbergs will speak to Father Robert regarding the Communion photos. There would be a minimal charge to the families if they are interested in receiving a photo.

Lunch lady – brought home lunch and it was raw. We will continue to keep an eye on this and may change providers for the next school year.

Closing prayer

Adjourned meeting at 830pm