

#### **FATHER C.W. SULLIVAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

"God, friends and learning"

Father C.W. Sullivan Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes May 31, 2023 6:30pm to 7:30pm

**Attendees**: Renalee Bongolan, Brennan McDonald, Diane Melo, Sandra Rea, Susy Santos, Rosa Smith & Maeghan Turner

#### 1. Welcome

#### 2. Opening Prayer

Dear Lord, Guide our hearts and our minds in the spirit of fairness, right thought and speech. Impart your supreme wisdom upon our activities so that our affairs may reach a successful conclusion. Thank you for being our source of guidance today. Amen

- 3. Approval of Minutes Approved by Diane Melo and seconded by Renalee Reyes Bongolan
- 4. Treasurer's Report Diane Melo
  - CSC balance is \$1,166.96
  - School Generated Fund \$5.332.00
  - Popcorn Sale \$345 profit
- 5. Principal Report and Update Ms. Rea

Principal Report, Father C. W. Sullivan Highlights and Updates...

- Faith:
- -Our Virtue Program continues monthly in the school and students are acknowledged monthly school wide and on Monthly newsletters.

April – Love – Mrs. Lourenco, Mrs. Rotondi-Pender and their students on April 26 @ 1:30 pm, May – Acceptance – Mr. Fairclough and students on May 30 @ 9:30 am, June (Fairness) June 27 @ 10:00 am – Patterson -Sacramental Dates – All posted on school website and newsletter...

Sacramental preparation will continue to take place this year. They are scheduled as follows...

Holy Confirmation on June 8 @ 6:00 pm First Communion on June 17 @ 1:30 pm

#### School Activities:

- May Newsletter has been distributed via email, and it is on the school website
- -Matthan Francis Positivity lives here...April 19 & 20...a success...they also provide Parent/Community Engagement Nights...something to think about for next year

- -Family of Schools Equity Conference Intermediates invited...
- -X-Movement May 2, 3, 4 for all students, May 4 Parent/Community Night...both a success
- Catholic Education Week was a success and it was so nice to see so many families come out to visit our classrooms.
- -Book Fair During CEW ... thank you to Mrs. Pritchard
  - -Journey into Learning Night May 3 @ 6:00 pm in school led by our FDK TEAM high turn out
  - -Grade 8 Graduation Update Ceremony is scheduled for June 22 @ 6:00 pm at Sullivan, outdoors
    - Luncheon is scheduled for June 23 @ 11:30 am at Pearson Convention
    - -Students ordered composites students ordering
    - -Grad fundraiser funds to go towards reducing the cost of the Luncheon
    - -School / CSC to support funds for awards and decorations (in past CSC has provided \$200.00)
- -MADD presentation for our intermediates completed
- -Athletics (updates) -
- -Athletics Play Day, Track and Field, etc.

**ShareLife** Thank you to our generous Father C. W. Sullivan community for all your contributions to our ShareLife campaign this year. Your contributions will go a long way to serving those most in need. During our ShareLife Spirit Week (March 27-31), a total of 380.4 lbs. of food was donated, and \$680.60 was raised for ShareLife. Congratulations to everyone on a successful campaign!

A special thank you to Mrs. Gianforcaro for leading our Share Life school campaign this year.

## **EQAO**

Primary Division and Junior Division

Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics



**EQAO Assessments Reminder:** 

The grade 3 and 6 EQAO assessments measure how well students have met the expectations in the Ontario Curriculum. The assessments test what students know and how well they apply their knowledge and skills in reading, writing and mathematics. Students are required to read and respond to passages, to write and to solve mathematical problems. The results are reported in terms of achievement from levels 1– 4 with level 3 as the standard. The window for EQAO assessments of all grades 3 and 6 students has been established for **May 10 to June 14, 2023**. Please keep this important time frame in mind when you are planning family trips or appointments. It is important that all grade 3 and 6 students be in attendance for the assessments.

Grade 3 dates... May 29 to June 2, 2023

Grade 6 dates...June 5 – June 9, 2023

Make up dates...June 13, 14, 2023.

- -In-school Literacy Support (during the day April3 May 19) completed with our Literacy Lead Teacher, Sara Battista FDK grade 3. (focus on Heggerty reading assessment and Sound Walls)
- -Math Academic Consultant, Jeanette Kastoris has continued all year to support Sullivan and has organized a school-wide Math Day May 12.
- -Thank you to our wonderful Catholic School Council for organizing our Popcorn and to our families and students for their support. thoughts for next year...

## School Generated Funds \$

## CSC Funds \$

Asking CSC for \$200.00 for Grade 8 Grad decorations as in past.

#### Goals:

- -Fundraiser idea for next school year –
- -Spirit Wear September kick-off



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

June 6	Year End Mass @ Sullivan @ 10:30 am
June 12	P.A. Day – no school for students
June 22	Grade 8 Graduation evening ceremony
June 23	Grade 8 Graduation Luncheon
June 27	Report Cards sent home.

**Financial Reporting...**Thanks to our Catholic School Council, our community and School Budget, we were able to fund many Guest Speakers as well as support initiatives for our students this year.

#### Staffing Update...

- -FSL Mr. Caprio LTO position replaced by a permanent FSL teacher...Tracey Goodridge from St. Aidan
- -Mrs. Barretto will be returning from Maternity Leave
- -Grade 6/7 LTO position for September (M. Yurkiw still on leave)...will post

-We say goodbye to...Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Caprio, Ms. Ianno, Mrs. Zeppieri, Mrs. Arezes, Mrs. Elder who will be moving to St. Mary

(Our ERW allotment has been reduced from 3.5 to 3)

Thank you to everyone for another great year together...it's an honor being a part of an amazing Team.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL**

The staff and students wish to thank our Catholic School Council representatives for their continued support and generosity to our school. Thank you to our Council Members, Mrs. Turner, Chair, Mrs. Bongolan, our Secretary, Mrs. Melo, Treasurer, Mrs. Santos, Mr. MacDonald, our Teacher Representatives and Mrs. Smith, our non-teaching Representative. Thank you for enriching the learning experiences for all our students. Our Catholic School Council has been a valuable support for our day-to-day life at Father C, W. Sullivan and in helping us to achieve our school goals.

Thank you to Trustee Thomas for her ongoing support.

Information regarding membership criteria for the Council and Self-Nomination Forms will be sent home in early September. All parents/guardians are welcome and encouraged to become involved. I hope you all return!!!

# Administrator's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff, students and families for their dedication and commitment to our year at Father C. W. Sullivan Catholic School. A special thank you to all the families of our Father C. W. Sullivan community, our Catholic School Council, St. Anne Parish and Father Joel and Marilyn for their support on our faith journeys. I would like to wish all the students, families and staff leaving our Father C. W. Sullivan community, continued blessings as they journey on. Best wishes to Mrs. Sebastian, our Long Term Occasional DECE, and Mrs. Arezes, Educational Resource Worker, who have both finished their contracts with us. Thank you also to our Long-Term Occasional Teachers, Mr. Caprio, Mrs. Zeppieri, and Ms. Ianno as they continue their educational journey. We wish Mrs. Elder, our Educational Resource Worker, all the best as she will be moving to St. Mary School for September. We welcome to our Sullivan family Mrs. Goodridge, our permanent French Teacher who will be with us in September. With sincere fondness, we wish all our departing colleagues' health, happiness, and success in all their future endeavors! I want to wish everyone in our community a peaceful and blessed summer. Enjoy the holiday and we look forward to seeing you all back safe in September!

Blessings, Sandra Rea Principal

### 6. New Business - Fundraiser planning

- To promote School Council during our Open house
  - to recruit members (September)
- Chocolate Fundraising
  - to hold around Thanksgiving (October)
- Move-a-thon
  - to tie into a fundraiser instead of the \$2 fee.
  - take pledges for the Halloween dance (October/November)
- Movie night
  - to put into action again for this year (December)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lunch options for the children
  - Harvey's for Ms Rea to look into
  - Subway for Mr.McDonald to look into
- Play Day
  - Snow cone machine (to inquire)

# - Staff request:

- Pergola for shade for the primary yard
- Tent decal for sports activities
- Fans to purchase for the classrooms with no AC

Goals: Spirit Wear

## 7. Closing Prayer:

Thank you God, for the time we had to discuss issues and make decisions. May you bless each person who took the time to gather here today and let your hand of protection be on them throughout the rest of the week. Let the work be done here tonight come to fruition, and let it all be for your glory. Amen

# 8. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn -Maeghan Turner