



FATHER C.W. SULLIVAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

"God, friends and learning"

**Father C.W. Sullivan Catholic
School Council
Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2023
6:30pm to 7:15pm**

Attendees: Renalee Bongolan, Brennan McDonald, Diane Melo, Sandra Rea, Susy Santos, Rosa Smith & Anisha Thomas

***This meeting was held virtually due to the storm**

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 \$8,795.42

5. Principal Report and Update – Ms. Rea

Highlights and Updates:

-Father Joel celebrated our Advent Mass with us on December 8...thank you to our community for joining us and for your support with our Social Justice Initiatives including, our Angel Tree...

-December Virtual Assembly organizing by Mrs. Franco and Mrs. Pritchard was beautiful...all names continue to be posted in our monthly newsletter.

-Our Virtue Awards Program continues...next virtual assembly is on Jan 30 @ 9:30 am, organizing by Ms. Ianno and students. Welcome back to Ms. Ianno.

-Our Christmas Concerts in December were amazing! As was our Christmas Door decorating contest. True examples of all the wonderful work and talent of our staff and students.

• School Activities

-Reminder – Scientists-in-the-school program continues at Sullivan. All classrooms will access their free sessions

-Scholastic Book Fair in December was a success – thank you to Mrs. Pritchard...she is planning another one during Catholic Education Week

-In-school Tutoring will continue (Ministry Funded) – for grades 2 - 6 Math Focus from January 16 – March 24 during the school day (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

-Black History Month presentations –

- Baba Williams is back with us on Feb 1st @ 9 AM – Drumming – Cost \$1124.35

-Ubuntu Assembly (Drumming) – 60 minutes – grades 3 – 8

-Drums Alive – 60 minutes – grades 4 – 8

-Developmental Drumming – 30 minutes – K to grade 3

Ubuntu can best be described as an **African philosophy that places emphasis on 'being self through others'**. It is a form of humanism which can be expressed in the phrases 'I am because of who we all are' and ubuntu ngumuntu ngabantu in Zulu language.

-Wonderwall Designs

– Gymnasium Designs complete...Cost \$6395.80



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Class Photo Day is February 9, 2023

Graduation Photo Day is April 5th, 2023.

Catholic Education Week



The theme chosen for the upcoming 2023 Catholic Education Week is:

Catholic Education: *We are Many, We are One*

L'éducation catholique: *À plusieurs, nous sommes un*

Catholic Education Week is held each year in May in our 29 Ontario Catholic school boards. It will run from April 30 – May 5, 2023.

The sub-themes for Catholic Education Week 2023 are as follows:

Monday: **When we see / En voyant**

Tuesday: **When we listen / En écoutant**

Wednesday: **When we reflect / En réfléchissant**

Thursday: **When we learn / En apprenant**

Friday: **When we act / En agissant**

Catholic Education Week Prayer

We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ.

Lord, when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within; when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts; when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand; when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy; and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all, for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are.

We are many, we are one.
Amen.

During this week our families are invited to visit classrooms to witness a variety of classroom activities.

Coming Up...

- Report Cards sent home February 14, Interview Evening February 16, Feb 17 – P.A. Day
- X-movement May 2, 3, 4 Day Classroom Activities (May 4 evening outdoor community event) – Parent Engagement Funds (\$500.00) will go towards total cost - (\$2764.00) plus tax
- Scholastic Book Fair – May 1 – 5

Goals...

- purchase water bottle for each student for Eco Schools
- Spring Movie Night

Budget...

- school generated funds - \$6,020
- CSC

Other...

- Sharing cost of upcoming events... (Black History Month Presentation \$1124.35, X-movement (\$2764.00 - \$500.00 Parent Engagement Funds = \$2264.00, Wonderwall Designs \$6395.80).

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 1	Babarinde is back for Drumming
Feb 14	Report Cards sent home
Feb 15	Junior Basketball Mini Tournament
Feb 16	Interview evening
Feb 17	P.A. Day – no school for students
Feb 20	Family Day
March 1	Lenten School Confessions @ 9:30 am
March 13 – 17	Mid-Winter Break
March 21 & 22	School Dental Screening FDK, 2, 4, 6, 8
March 22	Lenten Mass @ Sullivan @ 10:30 am
April 5	Graduation Photos
April 7	Good Friday
April 10	Easter Monday
April 30 – May 5	Catholic Education Week
May 1 – 5	Scholastic Book Fair
May 2, 3, 4	X-movement at Sullivan (day classes)
May 4 @ 6:00 pm	X-movement at Sullivan (evening)
May 22	Victoria Day
June 6	Year End Mass @ Sullivan @ 10:30 am
June 12	P.A. Day – no school for students
June 27	Report Cards sent home

6. New Business - Fundraiser planning

- school spirit wear
- spring movie night
- Matthan Francis (Positivity lives here)
- Self defense in person presentation (engaging for the children, teaches discipline, respect, anti-bullying)

7. Guest Speaker – Anisha Thomas

- Introduction
- French Immersion program will be extended on Feb 7-9
- Kindergarten (JK/SK) registration is ongoing

8. 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

9. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn – Sandra Rea