



# MOTHER CABRINI CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



**Date:** October 7, 2020

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Virtual

**Location of Meeting:**

Mother Cabrini Catholic School, 720 Renforth Drive, Etobicoke ON M9C2N9, Zoom Event

**Council Members:**

Nicole Arsenault, Jackie Biase, Monika Comazzi, Laura Cannone, Lisa Fernandes, Lisa Ferrante, Mike Gentile, Gina Ricci, Janina Salas-Smith, Laureen Santos, Jane Sequeira-Kwon, Chris Stadler, Cori Stadler, Lisamarie Stefanutti, Vanessa Vilic Evangelista  
**Principal** Mrs. Laura Manini-Della Rossa, **Teacher Representative** Ms. Hlady-Madeira, Ms. De Braga

**Next Meeting:**

**Date:** November 11, 2020

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Zoom Event

**Quorum: Yes**

**Executive:** Co Chairs: Mike Gentile/Laura Cannone - Treasurer: Gina Ricci - Secretary: Jackie Biase

**Members at Large:** Monika Comazzi, Lisa Ferrante, Janina Salas-Smith, Lisamarie Stefanutti, Nicole Arsenault, Cori Stadler, Laureen Abcede, Vanessa Vilic Evangelista

**Non-Voting Member:** Principal Laura Manini-Della Rossa

**Voting Staff: Teacher Representative:** Ms. Hlady-Madeira, Ms. De Braga

**Guests:** Mike Delmas, Katrina Parik,

**Regrets:** Jane Sequeira-Kwon, Chris Stadler, Lisa Fernandes

## PROCEEDINGS

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION & DECISIONS
1. <b>Welcome, Prayer &amp; Courtesies</b>	Mrs. Della-Rossa welcomed all and led prayer and courtesies. 6:30pm meeting was called to order.
2. <b>Approve Proposed Agenda</b>	N/A – first council meeting, agenda prepared by Mrs. Della-Rossa
3. <b>Approve Prior Minutes</b>	Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2020 was approved. <b>Approvers: Nicole Arsenault &amp; Cori Stadler</b>

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<p><b>4. Principal's Report</b></p>	<p><b>A) <u>CSPC Election Voting</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Executive Team Nominations and Elected Council for school year 2020/2021</u> Co-Chairs: Vanessa Vilic-Evangelista and Laura Cannone Treasurer: Gina Ricci Secretary: Jackie Biase</li> <li>• <u>Members at Large for school year 2020/2021</u> Mike Gentile, Lisamarie Stefanutti, Katrina Parik, Nicole Arsenault, Cori Stadler, Monika Comazzi, Jania Salas-Smith, Laureen Abcede Lisa Ferrante – for Special Education Father Michael – Pastor Rep for Parish Co Chairs – for Community</li> </ul> <p><b>B) <u>Covid Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School has been and continues to be sanitized. We have 2 custodians during the day. There has been no testing positive of the virus at this time.</li> </ul> <p><b>C) <u>Kiss n Ride</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We had a rocky start at the beginning of the school year but has since improved.</li> </ul> <p><b>D) <u>Virtual Students</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some virtual students are still waiting to be assigned teachers. Supply teachers are currently short. There is no mention of classroom collapses for TCDSB. If anything, teachers will move to online teaching but no teachers moving into in person classrooms.</li> <li>• November 1 is the flip dated to move students between online and in person/vise versa.</li> </ul> <p><b>E) <u>New Math Curriculum</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introducing new units, ie. Coding, socio learning. Previously the math marks were divided into 4 groups, this year there will only be 1 combined mark.</li> </ul> <p><b>F) <u>Picture Day</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tentative – November 3</li> </ul> <p><b>G) <u>Curriculum Night</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>
<p><b>5. Treasurer's Report</b> <i>Gina Ricci</i></p>	<p><b>A. Budget</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening balance \$11,225 in the bank. Further details will be available at the next meeting.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6. Special Education</b> <i>Lisa Ferrante</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No updates</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>7. Parish</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No updates</b></li> </ul>

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**8. New Items**  
*Ms. Della Rossa*

- A. Fans**
  - Co Chairs report of last year left off with purchasing Air Condition units in February. Items are locked up as everything ceased in March due to COVID closure of schools. \$9000 was pent on the fans. Due to public safety fans are not permitted at this time due to the pandemic for fear that germs may spread. Teachers are very appreciative of the purchase and will use them once public health confirms the safety of their use.
- B. Playground Reserve Grant**
  - Cary Stadler applied on behalf of the school and was able to win \$5000 to spruce up our playground.
- C. Halloween**
  - Vanessa Vilic-Evangelista to run our second annual pumpkin design contest. Online voting for pumpkin contest.
- D. Whiteboards**
  - Replace chalkboards with whiteboards. This allows use of projectors without purchasing additional screens. However, decided to investigate the purchase of new laptops before purchasing whiteboards.
- E. Laptops**
  - Current laptops are now 10 years old and due for replacement. With Covid numbers increasing and the possibility of school closures and moving into online learning, should the board pay for these laptops and not CSPC. Principal reported back that the computers the teachers currently have were not purchased by the board and parents should provide computers for their own children. This was left off that we need to decide who purchases the new computers before CSPC purchases any.
  - Mrs. Della Rossa reported the \$30M coming from the Board is for Covid related for brining in teachers for virtual learning.
  - It was voted that perhaps 2 laptops can be purchased by CSPC and 2 from the Block Budget. This will be half the computers purchased for this year and do the same next year for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the computers.
  - Ms. De Braga to get a price on computers for next meeting.
  - Trustee should be contacted regarding the laptops. Teachers are expected to be involved on both in class and online platforms and the board should be accommodating the resources they need to do their jobs.
- F. Memorial for Mrs. DaSilva**
  - It was confirmed that all members of council agreed to spend \$500 for a memorial bench to be placed in the school yard in memory of Mrs. Da Silva. Mrs. Da Silva was a wonderful teacher loved by all her students and coworkers who passed last year from cancer. The bench will have a plaque inscribed in her name. A tree will also be planted in her memory – a symbol of roots and growth. Flowers will also be planted in the front garden.
  - Tony Evangelista to help with planting tree.
- G. Music Teacher**
  - Mr. Amadei is currently the music teacher and still absent. The position of a new music teacher has not yet been filled and the Board is looking to resolve this.

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	<p><b>H. <u>Crossing Guard</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted by some parents that our crossing guard Jim has been aggressive with parents regarding not wearing their masks. Mrs. Della Rossa confirmed that he is not employed by TCDSB, but that she will address the concern with whom he is employed with.</li> </ul> <p><b>I. <u>Library</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently not in use due to Covid. Vanessa Vilic-Evangelista along with Humber College to design a central common area in the library. This will most likely take place next year. An email of the plan will be sent out.</li> </ul>
<p><b>9. Deferred Items</b></p>	<p><b>A) Parent/Student Engagement funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We have \$1,700 to be used. It was decided last year to use this money towards a guest speaker – Paul Davis.</li> </ul> <p><b>B) Communion/Confirmation/Graduation – class of 2019/2020</b></p> <p><b>C) School Budget – 2020/2021</b></p> <p><b>D) Fundraising 2020/2021 – Yes or No for this year</b></p>
<p><b>E) Next Meetings</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting #3 November 11, 2020</li> <li>Meeting #4 December 9, 2020</li> <li>Meeting #5 January 13, 2021</li> <li>Meeting #6 February 10, 2021</li> <li>Meeting #7 March 10, 2021</li> <li>Meeting #8 April 14, 2021</li> <li>Meeting #9 May 12, 2021</li> <li>Meeting #10 June 9, 2021</li> </ul>
<p><b>F) Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Meeting Adjourned at 7:41pm</p> <p><b>Adjourned: Mrs. Della Rossa</b></p>

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