



# Notre Dame College School

## Catholic School Council Minutes

### Meeting held on November 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm

#### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. **Opening Prayers:** Annual Commissioning led by Ken. Intentions include families of ND staff and Sr Boys Football team, fans and supporters
2. **Roll Call-Attendance:** Sarah Charron, Melanie Kerho, Daniella Stukel, Monique Mastroianni, Ella Boon, Marnie Leon, Kelly Majka, Tammy Mastrealla, Ken Griepsma  
Regrets: Nadia Mete, Flavia Battaglini, Susan Guarasci
3. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:** None
4. **Approval of the Agenda for November 26, 2019:**

THAT Notre Dame College School Catholic School Council APPROVES THE AGENDA of the Notre Dame College School Council Meeting of November 26, 2019 as amended moved by Daniella, Monique

#### B. PRESENTATIONS – EQAO Results

EQAO Grade 9 Math at both applied and academic levels, success is a Level 3 or 4, current results, results over time, results by gender, details about cohort, goal to increase Applied success rate by 5% next year

OSSLT results: Applied, Academic results, first time eligible students with Special Needs, details about cohort, goal to increase success rate by 2% next year

#### C. STUDENT / STAFF / PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Halloween

Students were treated to a week of fun activities during our Halloween Spirit Week. During this time, students participated in a pumpkin hunt, a candy giveaway, and lunch time activities. A culminating assembly was held for students participating in the costume contest. Highlights of the assembly included a Russian Dance Mob, a student on stilts (all day long!) and one student dressed up as Mr. Griepsma.

Student Council was given a tremendous leadership opportunity as they participated in the Ontario Leadership Conference in Niagara Falls. Council members had the opportunity to hear from a wide variety of guest speakers. The highlight of the event was the Notre Dame Student Council winning Best Overall Video among all participants (over 200 schools)!

#### Semi-Formal

Plans are in place for our Semi Formal which will take place on December 12th. Our theme this year is "Winter Wonderland". Tickets for this event went on sale today. \$35 gold card/\$40 non gold card

#### Football

The Irish Spirit is going to be shared with football fans across the province as our Senior Football teams prepares to play in the Metro Bowl on Wednesday We are excited to be sending 3 buses to cheer our team to victory! We are also extremely proud of our JR football team as they lost in the provincial semi finals a few days ago. A pep rally was held today in support.

#### Pilgrimage

We are thrilled to announce that our annual Pilgrimage was incredibly successful (\$42 000) and helped raise much needed funds for each of the organizations that we support.

Christmas activities in December planned

## **2. Staff Report:**

### **November**

PA Day - Numeracy & My Blueprint (used to be Career Cruising)

Report Cards were distributed on Thursday Nov 21st

Homework club would be a great place to improve grades (M, Tu, W, Th 2:30-4:30) great opportunity for students to get help, tutors etc.

Open House tomorrow - all departments will be represented

College Visits and College Applications are in progress

Reconciliation

### **December**

Grad Photos take place the first two weeks of December - these were booked previously

Montreal Massacre Prayer Service to be held Dec 6th

Teen Angel and Food Drive as well

## **3. Report from Principal (or Designate): Kelly Majka**

Nov 1 – Picture Retake Day  
Nov 6 – TYKTWD/Grade 8 Day  
Nov 7 – First day of Term 2 (any Grade 10 students that had Civics and Careers would switch courses)  
Nov 14 – Midterm Report Cards Distributed (P4)  
Nov 19 – Flying Fathers Assembly for whole school  
Nov 20 – Reconciliation  
Nov 21- Guest speaker, Mihai Raducanu, Bullying Prevention  
Nov 27 – Grade 9 Open House (starts at 6 pm)  
Dec 2-13 – Food Drive  
Dec 2-13 – Grad Photos  
Dec 6 – Montreal Massacre Prayer Service  
Dec 6 – Gold Card Out of Uniform  
Dec 10 – Hope Centre Dinner  
Jan 9 – Maplewood Markbooks  
Jan 15/16 – Grade 9 Math EQAO  
Jan 24-30 – EXAMS

## **SPORTS:**

**Jr. Girls' Basketball** Won SOSSA

**Cross Country** Made it to SOSSA

Alissa Mete went on to OFSAA in Sudbury. She finished 34<sup>th</sup> out of 270

**Jr. Football** Won NCAA Won, NCRHSA, Lost in Semi at Metro Bowl

**Sr. Girls Basketball** NCAA and Zone Champions, SOSSA Finalists

**Boys' Volleyball** Jr. – NCAA Finalist, Sr. – NCAA Finalist

**4.NCPIC Report:** None

**5.SEAC Report:** None

**6. Other -** None

**D. OAPCE:** Email sent with a variety of information. It includes press release about funding cuts to PRO grants, message from President, activities around the province

## **E. AGENDA ITEMS - DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Review of Catholic School Council By-Laws: No changes

Board Policies for Vetting: A number of policies are available for review, can respond individually or as a council, please share with other parents from ND, responses by January 15, 2020

Safe and Accepting Schools: Speaker Kevin Cameron January 9th at White Oaks (threat assessment, trauma response), Safe and Accepting Schools Team reviewing procedures, communication in building, blinds added to cafeteria, some doors will have windows frosted to prevent being able to see through them in a crisis situation, walkie talkies being used at lunch

time, developing a survey for students, to determine how students feel on a number of topics, related to health and safety

Uniform Items: Daniella spoke to updating uniforms and logos. Navy and white polos in both male and female cuts, possible updating of Grad hoodies.

Retiring vest as it isn't worn much, cardigan? All will be grandfathered and acceptable in future.

New items: hoodies, toques, ball caps and mugs that keep coffee warm a long time

Graduation 2020: Gowns: Switch to all blue? No longer give flowers. Survey the Grade 12 students and parents for feedback

New School Website: Hope to have it live by end of semester

Parent Engagement Funds: \$500 available to support student achievement and well-being

CSC Initiatives: none

Chair's Report: Commissioning of School Council Chairs meeting: Slideshow shown, will be shared via email, NCPIC meetings January 9, March 5, May 7, up to date info on website, sometimes delay in minutes until they are approved, 29 Catholic School Boards in Ontario, Andrea Bozza presented on mental health, resources that are available at elementary and secondary, does present at school council if interested

Parish Report: An evening of Adoration, Praise and Workshop, Saturday November 30th 7-8:30 at St. Kevin, Soup's On tickets will be on sale soon, Friday January 31st

Renaming of music room: Major renovations have taken place, fitting to have it named after Ralph DeFazio, have Chair write a letter to the Trustees to make that suggestion

Trivia Night: Notre Dame Family Friday April 3, 2020

**G. NEXT MEETING:** January 28, 2020

**H. ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn the ND Catholic School Council Meeting. 7:50 pm  
Monique

**I. CLOSING PRAYER:** Ken led us in closing prayer.