

Holy Name of Mary CSS School Council Agenda/Minutes

Date: Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Attendees: Claudia Kline, Anthony Scanga, Wendong Luo, Bijikumar Benjamin, Amitava Roy,	Regrets:
Carmen Laudi, Genya Woloshyn, Lisa Orosco, Aneela, Aneela Chaudray	

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Topic	Notes/Response		
Welcome/Land	Claudia Kline – Meeting started at 6.30pm		
Acknowledgement,	Mr. Scanga		
opening prayer	Prayer for the departed family members of our staff and students.		
and liturgy	Petitions – Prayers		
Approval of	Motion to approve Minutes & Agenda of Oct 5, 2022		
Agenda/Previous	Anthony & Carmen Approved the Agenda		
Meeting Minutes	Biji and Aneela approved the Minutes of Oct 5, 2022		
Chairs Report	School Council Goals: What are the goals of this Council? What does this Council want to achieve during this school year? At HNM school fundraisers are held for Charity: ShareLife/ Canadian Breast Cancer Society/ Royal Legion Goal is to find a secretary and a treasurer for the school council- Looking for nominations for positions.		
	Organize Parent engagement activities from the Board or as authorized by Superintendent. More parents/ guardians to attend School Council Meetings and school events. Aneela suggested a Family Night/ Guest speaker in 2023 or perhaps a fun activity like a Zumba class.		

School Council to be involved more in upcoming Graduation June 2023

Student Representative Report

Open House: October 26 there was a grade 7 and 8 open house and registration. There was dozens of student volunteers helping make the event a success. There was a club fair, tours given by students at our school, snacks from the food and nutrition class, science experiments, and so much more. Teachers stayed after school to set up their classrooms and speak about their departments. The choir sang a couple songs in addition to the national anthem.

Pumped in Pink (Spirit Week): Day 1 was cozy wear Monday, Day 2 was trivia Tuesday, Day 3 was wear your colour Wednesday, Day 4 was throwback Thursday, and the grand finale was pumped in pink on Friday. We had an HNM alumni come speak to us about her own personal struggle with breast cancer and she stayed to celebrate Pumped in Pink with us.

Halloween: For Halloween this year the cafeteria stage was set up with a haunted background for students to take pictures in front of with their costumes. Candy was distributed to the student population by ESC.

Grade 9 Elections: Elections for the two grade 9 reps for the 2022-2023 school year were taken. There was a enthusiastic bunch of students who ran and participated so there was lots of anticipation for the results. Our two new grade 9 reps are Tayyaba and Khadeeja! ESC's designated room: ESC has officially been given our own room to store all things and use as a little office.

Prom Committee: Friday November 18 was the first meeting of Prom Committee.

Beaver Contest:

SHSM updates: ALL the SHSM events taken place so far

Retreats:

Science Trip: On November 17, all students taking any science course this semester were given the opportunity to go to the Ontario Science Center and explore.

Parent Teacher Interviews: Parent teacher interviews were held in November to update parents on their child's progress so far.

Royal Radio: HNM's announcement channel "royal radio" is a massive success. Teachers stream live during period two and it is also posted online to ensure no one misses important announcements.

Reminder for Tutoring: Reminder, TVO Mathify offers free help online for students taking math courses. There are math teachers online from 9am-9pm every single day.

Grad Photo Day: This week photos grad photos are being taken for the grade 12s. Sports Update: The basketball team has finished their season, and volleyball season has

	begun. Camp Olympia: There was an assembly for the grade 9s where all the grade 12s who went to camp Olympia got to share their experiences and hand out letters with advice on how to navigate high school. In the envelopes there was also necklaces with a charm made by grade 12s for the grade 9 students.
Parish Report	Anthony Scanga
	Parish Report Summary by Anthony Scanga

A detailed report has been provided to the School Council secretary

The following are the highlights:

1.Spirirtual Formation

- a) Sacramental Preparation
- b) Daily Eucharistic Adoration Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 6:30 pm
- c) Advent Reflection -take time out for God in preparation for Christmas
- d) Formed Digital Resources available for students & staff
- e) Pray the Rosary
- f) Opportunities at the parish for prayer, reflection and sacrament of reconciliation and community outreach.
- g) First Communion and Confirmation and the Rite of Christian Initiation are now in progress.
- h) On Nov 19 the Parish celebrated the first ordination celebration. Bishop Vincent Nguyen ordained two young men to the sacred Order of the Diaconate.

2. Parish Outreach

- a) Church is open for drop off on nonperishable food items or financial donations
- b) Giving Tree for the Families in Need- Gift Certificates
- c) Franciscan Calendar Sale, Artisan Craft Sale & CWL Bake Sale Nov 26 and 27
- d) Food Drive in the season of Advent with Knights of Columbus support.

The Parish expresses our congratulations on the blessings of our new altar, the renovated chapel and the new extension of the school on December 1st.

Teacher's Report

Remembrance Day Ceremony

• On November 11th, 2022, staff and students participated in a virtual commemoration of our fallen heroes and active-duty personnel. A video was streamed showcasing student poetry in both official languages as well as a message from our Minister of National Defense.

Departmental Events

Arts/VPAC

- ✓ The Visual and Performing Arts committee held a colouring event in October and created a gallery of student artwork for display. They also created an online escape room for all students to participate in.
- ✓ VPAC is currently working on the Christmas Talent Show.

Business SHSM

- ✓ Our Business World Leaders SHSM Program now has 63 active participants.
- ✓ Since September, our Business Department is working diligently supporting the completion of several certifications.
 - o Our students have been dedicating their efforts in Financial Literacy and Taxation
 - o Reach Ahead webinars involving Land Treaties Awareness and Junior Achievement
 - Flashpoint Training for our SPCE (Sector-partnered Contextualized Experience) for the Fortune 500 Restaurant Chain Sector Partnership
 - o Stock Market Competition for their experiential SHSM component.
 - o Upcoming WHMIS certification later this month/ First Aid training
 - o Our Resource Department continues to support students within our hybrid setting

Media Arts

✓ Media Minds continues to meet every other Friday at 4pm-5pm. This club is specifically for grade 9 students and this month's classes will focus on Photography

Math/Computer Science

✓ On November 15, 100 HNM students from grades 9 and 10 wrote the University of Waterloo Beaver Computing Challenge, which introduces students to concepts from computer science. The students had a great time and showcased their problem-solving skills.

Physical Education

- ✓ This year's edition of the Holy Name of Mary Varsity Girls' Basketball team is a history maker; they are the school's first post-pandemic Varsity team. This incredible group of ladies persevered despite a great deal of uncertainty at the start of the season and showed incredible improvement in each game they played. Fun was had by all, and the relationships forged will carry on, well past the basketball court.
- ✓ Volleyball season has begun with tryouts occurring in late November.

Students participated in Cross Country events.

General: Christmas charity drive for Regeneration organized by Cares Chapel, Altar Blessing Dec 1, Staffroom Advent Mural Guidance Course Fair in December

Announcements are on the Royal Broadcast Mon to Fri on YouTube channel at 9.30am.

HNM has a choir and a school band

Non- Teaching Report

- On Oct 26 we had a successful Open House for Grade 8 students for 2023-2024 parents/guardians. Over 200
 parents/students and guardians attended our school. So have we have approximately 40 new Grade 9
 registrations for the next school year.
- On Oct 29 one of our students Princess Owusu was awarded the Father Fogarty Award for her Catholic Leadership at HNM
- Parent/teacher interviews were help on Nov 9 and many parents and guardians attended the school to meet with the staff
- On Nov 11 we had a Remembrance Day Liturgy and assembly for all students and Staff. Poppies were handed out to each student and staff for a \$1.00 donation to the Royal Legion.
- On Nov 15 Math students participated in the Waterloo Beaver Computing Challenge organized by the University of Waterloo.

Treasurers' Report	Funds in account amount to \$352.01
OAPCE Report	Not available
Principals' Report	 OSSLT-province 82.1%, Board 82.6%, HNM 92.3%% OSSLT-practice: Nov 23, Test Nov 28-29-graduation requirement Exams: Gr 12- 110%cpt, 20% Exam (2 hrs.) All grades will be in exams from 8.30 to 10.30am JR grades will review 8.30 to 9.00 then start exam from 9 to 10.30am SR grades will write from 8.30am to 10:30am Celebrating days of significance: i.e., Dress purple for child abuse prevention Remembrance Day – Eva Martinez speaker – Canadian Military Aerospace Engineer Poppies/civvies – collect \$1.00 for the Royal Legion Various busy clubs at HNM as listed below Field trips: Science Centre, camp Olympia, Zoo, McMichael Gallery, Royal Winter Fair, Sheridan College Grade 9 ESC rep election PT interviews Nov 9, mid- term marks/ report cards Gr 7 & 8 open house Oct 26 Grads: OUAC /OCAD applications, grad photos, grad messages, ceremony at The Garden Banquet Centre, Brampton on June 29, 2023 Mrs. Woloshyn (Acting Vice Principal) term ends on Nov 30 – awaiting placement requirement. Looking into Ordering Blinds for the Cafeteria and a video projection in Cafeteria with screen. Funds to be used from the School Generated Account.

	Teams and Clubs		
	 ESC ACE Debate French Stock Market Dance SWIS HOSA Royal's Green Side Creative Writing Open Arms Joy Diversity 	 Cares VPAC Liturgy Choir Broadcast Royals TV BSA Broadcast Digi Fest YRK Royals Way Space Baking 	 Gourmet Goodness Guitar Basketball Team XC Running Volleyball Team
Vice Principal's Report	 Genya Woloshyn - Acting Vice Principal Presentation on Anti bullying Awareness to grade 9 students OSSLT preparation – Grade 10 and a few Grade 11 students We had 3 fire drills during Fire Prevention Week and 1 more on Nov 23 Grade 12 Graduation photos are taking place between Nov 22 to Nov 24 		
Other Business			

Closing Prayer	Anthony Scanga Claudia Kline
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8.30pm
Next Meeting Date	Jan 18/2023