## St. Paul Catholic School Council Meeting Tuesday, October 27, 2020

**Name of Members present**: G. Borg, S. Pacheco, L. Harlock, S. O'Reilly, C. Obo, V. Bediako, D. Eastman, K. Owens-Jaffray, K. Hilton, E. Kawka, J. Black, S. Evangelista, J. St. Onge, T. Campbell, O. Mclaren, L. Oluwakeni-Ademola.

Agenda Item	Decision/Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome, Opening Prayer and Courtesies	Welcome to all council members. Prayer lead by S. Pacheco. Agenda presented by G. Borg.  Thanks again to Julie St. Onge for taking on the Secretary role and for Mrs. Pacheco for sticking with us as the Teaching Rep!	G. Borg S. Pacheco
Approval of Minutes	Approval of Minutes from Sept 29, 2020	J. St. Onge
Chair's Report	Need to discuss potential fundraising for this year (see New Business).	L. Harlock
Holy Family Parish News	<ul> <li>Online Alpha has just started.</li> <li>Youth Alpha, Edge and Edge Jr all happening.</li> <li>St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Mission Winter Drive on Nov 14 &amp; 15 and "Christmas Envelopes" available on Nov 8 &amp; 9 (instead of the Angel Tree) to assist needy families in having a joyful Christmas.</li> <li>Book of Remembrance will be in front of the altar for the month of November.</li> <li>More details on these and much more on the parish website (www.holyfamilywhitby.ca).</li> </ul>	L. Harlock
Principal's Report	<ul> <li>2 class masses that went very well.</li> <li>school purchased a new mic and camera to help during these times and has made it very successful</li> <li>bus safety video watched by all our classes, fun interactive video all classes enjoyed</li> <li>Father Ravi presented our Grade 4's with their Bibles</li> <li>Police Officer visited the school</li> <li>spirit council elections done via zoom and they jumped right in with some fun for the Halloween week.</li> <li>tech in good shape for the school year</li> <li>MAIN SHARES: <ol> <li>wow!! No sickness in the building and it seems to be an overall healthy building.</li> <li>staying in cohort, even in library only 1 class in a day and a good system with recess going on.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	G. Borg

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	<ul> <li>Overall, very happy with how our school is handling the changes.</li> <li>celebrating our First Communion with ice cream sandwiches and thinking of something for our Confirmation students, something older and bit more mature for that age group.</li> <li>progress reports go home Nov. 9, on-line parent meetings available from Nov 10-24.</li> <li>classroom reviews: we need to give the kids a chance to catch up and review any gaps the teachers can be helping the kids with</li> <li>CHRISTMAS: no singing aloud so new ideas for Christmas concert to celebrate and reach out, tentative date of DECEMBER 10 with Mass at Holy Family and a possible zoom open to just our school.</li> </ul>	
New Business	<ul> <li>About Fundraising efforts for this year:</li> <li>Ministry Funding is per pupil; we started at 350 but are down to 303 and holding so far.</li> <li>Although fundraising would still be useful, we really don't want to add stress to families during these difficult times so won't be considering one of our traditional campaigns with competition &amp; prizes.</li> <li>Fundraising Ideas include: Flip Give, Poinsettia Sales (Vandermeers), Purdy's Chocolates.</li> <li>BC based company for Christmas cards with a 50-60% return rate. Jaffrey is looking into more information on this.</li> <li>Need to be sensitive to the situation we're in and keep this pressure-free.</li> <li>Seek interest for a small "committee" to further discuss/implement our efforts.</li> <li>important we share with our community what we are fundraising for: science equipment, novel studies (language &amp; religion program). A letter with this information will be included for parents.</li> </ul>	L. Harlock G. Borg
Adjournment	with Closing Prayer	L. Harlock
Next Meeting	Tuesday, November 24, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m. online	