

**St. Theresa Catholic School Council**  
**Wednesday, November 1, 2023**

**Attendance**

Sylvie Brown, Dorothy Quick-Macklin, Lisa Romano, Suzanne White, Amanda DiMatteo, Corey Rump, Gillian Robinson, Jessica Mulhall, Kara Enright

**Land Acknowledgement**

We are meeting today on the traditional territory of many nations, including the Anishnaabe and Haudenosaunee. St Theresa Catholic Secondary School acknowledges our shared responsibility to respect and honour these lands and the many rich resources found here. As settlers, we are grateful for the chance to meet here and we thank the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years before today. We recognize the contributions and historic importance of Indigenous peoples and declare that we are committed to build relationships with Indigenous neighbours and friends. This acknowledgment is a first step in our ongoing commitment to reconciliation.

**Prayer**

**Review and acceptance of agenda**

Approved by all in attendance

**Review and acceptance of the minutes from September 21, 2023**

Approved by all in attendance

**Student Council update**

- Spirit week next week
  - Monday - civvies day
  - Tuesday - costume competition
  - Wednesday - flannel and plaid day
  - Thursday - decades day
  - Friday - glow day and haunted hallway and grade 7/8 dance
- Remembrance Day ceremony next week - looking for a military parent volunteer to be involved
- Second Tuesday of every month will be Titan spirit wear day

**Guest Speaker - Corey Rump, Experiential Learning Coordinator Specialist High Skills Major Programs**

- Information session on the Specialist High Skills Major Program (SHSM)
- Program offered in grade 11 and 12
- <https://www.alcdsb.on.ca/programs/shsm/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

**Treasurer Report**

- -\$129 at the start of the year
- Current account balance is \$871 after 2 grants were deposited

**Teacher Report**

- Jr boys soccer made it to COSSA
- Sr girls basketball is going well
- Several upcoming field trips (religion, construction, and college)
- Midterm reports will be sent out November 16
- Literacy test is upcoming
- Food drive went OK, need more advertising next time
- The school will be supporting 25 Christmas Sharing families

### **Fundraising ideas**

- Vendor market
- Used uniform sale in the summer
- Boston Pizza
- Chapters
- Purdy's chocolates at Easter

### **Grant Updates**

Mrs. Romano will submit an application for the Parent Reaching Out Grant to be used by the board for a guest speaker. Ask the student council if they have any wishes for money. Possibly have a graduation award with the excess funds or supply food while the school is hosting events.

### **Principal's Update**

- The Learning Commons have a report of the supplies and technology. The 2 teachers have a goal of having tech reps in every class that are in charge of getting supplies from the Learning Commons.
- EQAO
  - grade 9 math was just below the board average but there is a plan to support students
  - Grade 10 literacy starts tomorrow
- PA Days
  - September had a focus on literacy as well as Health and Safety
  - October's focus was numeracy and Health and Safety
  - November's focus will be student well-being and Health and Safety
  - February's focus will be assessment

### **Next Meeting**

January 24, 2024 at 6pm

### **Adjournment**

1st Dorothy Macklin

2nd Gillian Robinson