

# St. Nicholas Catholic School Council Meeting

## Monday, October 23, 2024

Meeting Start: 6:34 p.m.

Meeting Adjourn: 9:00 p.m.

Co-Chairs: V. Bonofiglio & M. Grossi

Secretary: S. Turner

**Attendees:** Valerie Bonofiglio (Co-Chair)  
Maria Grossi (Co-Chair)  
Nathalie Pavao (Treasure)  
Melissa Nicolosi  
Angela Massaroni  
Stephanie Turner (Secretary)  
Amie Fernandez  
Andrea Aveiro  
Annayancy Garza  
Luana Onisto (Parish Rep)  
Lisa Castellucci (Community Rep)  
Tanya Marra (Teaching Rep)  
Marie Steward (Vice Principal)  
Sylvia Stapleton  
Lisa Morrone  
Lisa Triassi  
Lisa Tavares

**Absent Members:** Tania Diamantakos (OAPCE Rep) Sabrina DeBiase, Daniela Plodinec

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**Opening Prayer:** Led by M. Steward

### Approval of Agenda

**MOTION:** To approve agenda dated October 23, 2024: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** L. Triassi

**MOTION CARRIED**

### Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes dated September 23, 2024: S. Turner

**Seconded:** M. Grossi

**MOTION CARRIED**

### Approval of September Financial Statement

**MOTION:** To approve the September finance statement with an amendment to the Halloween dance budget which will be \$800 total: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** N. Pavao

**MOTION CARRIED**

### School Update

- Virtue of Empathy liturgy at beginning of month is when selected students will be given bracelets (rather than necklaces)
- Terry Fox walk was on October 4 and very successful. Since the fundraising goal was met, teachers will be pied in the face on Tuesday October 29 as agreed.

- It has been a busy month:
  - The big crunch took place on October 9
  - Picture Day was held on October 16
  - Track and field was in full swing
  - National Bus Safety Week took place with presentations for JK- Gr.3 and Gr. 4-8
  - Children's Aid Society Awareness: wear purple on October 25
- Halloween guidelines this year: must be nondiscriminatory or offensive. Gender, skin colour, stereotypes are not costumes. Consider impact over intent.
- St. Mike's will be visiting grade 8s to give a presentation to the graduating class
- Progress reports will go out November 12
- Interview process will be different. Will require parents to sign up virtually for timeslots. Communication will be sent home to parents on how to book either in-person or phone interviews. Students who teachers have requested interviews for should be prioritized.
- Annual Scholastic Book Fair will take place w/o November 11
- April 23 meeting needs to change to April 24

## Council Business

- Halloween Dance
  - Balloons to be set up October 31, between 8-8:30AM
  - Dance schedule will be completed by M.Castro
  - Donations encouraged for ShareLife – to be made via School CashOnline
  - The class that raises the most money will get extra dance time
  - There will also be a pumpkin decorating contest so one class per division will win a pizza party
- Hot Lunches
  - Next round of hot lunch orders will take place from November 25 – December 3
  - Shift process from weekly selections to full blocks like with pizza to make the ordering process easier
  - Increase pizza by \$0.25 per slice as this is a school fundraiser

**MOTION:** To approve increasing pizza to \$2.5 per slice for the next round of orders and for block ordering: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** A. Massaroni

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Considering Harvey's trail day to gauge community's interest. Approx. \$10 range

**MOTION:** To approve Harvey's hot lunch trail on Friday November 15: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** M. Nicolosi

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Christmas Event
  - Date: Thursday November 21
  - Santa and photos developed on site will be offered, along with Mrs. Claus and The Grinch
  - Families will be charged for prints, milk and cookies
  - 2 hours for photos
  - Beaded ornaments

**MOTION:** To approve additional \$700 to the Christmas event for a total of \$2,200: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** A. Fernandez

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Living Nativity
  - L. Marrone and S. Stapleton would like to host the Living Nativity again this year: December 10 or December 17
  - Animal rentals, extra lighting, speaker and mic rentals

**MOTION:** To approve \$2,000 for the cost of the Live Nativity: V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** L. Onisto

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Krispy Kreme/Cinnabon Fundraiser
  - Krispy Kreme could run from April 14-25; Pick Up: May 2
    - \$14/dozen to families, \$6 profit per box
  - Cinnabon could be in the form of a voucher so can be picked up in store at any time
    - \$14/9 cinnapak to school; sell for \$20, also \$6 profit/box
  - Time this with Easter

**MOTION:** To approve V. Bonofiglio

**Seconded:** N. Pavao

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Sport Tickets
  - Raptors tickets are tiered. Range from \$33 – 97 per ticket. Requires a minimum of 10 tickets be purchased.
  - Marlies: need to purchase ~ 300 tickets at a group rate and then we can sell at a cost that will allow us to raise money. School cost ranges from \$19-44 per ticket.
  - TFC: need to sell 150 tickets and would require a deposit in November. \$32 - \$100 per ticket.

## Parish Update

- Parish is in desperate need of funds
- Youth ministry needs support. This will be the first thing to have funding cut. Community can donate to the youth ministry specifically, if preferred. There are marked envelopes at the parish. Can even donate snacks or food.
- Rooted, Edge and Lifeteen starting this Saturday.
- Sacraments: monthly meeting times have been circulated, 6 monthly meetings in total

## Community Update

- October 26: Trick or Treat Event
  - Many local businesses contribute in several ways such as giving out treats or slime station
- October 7 – December 9
  - Rescue Readers: paired up with kids who want to practice their reading with a four-legged shelter friend at Caledon Animal Shelter
  - 15 minutes long
  - Ages 6-9
  - Register @ [cpl.social/rescuereaders](https://cpl.social/rescuereaders)
- November 16: Winter Gnome Painting @ Hit That Note
  - Kids ages 6-13
  - \$40
  - Paint a canvas with a professional artist

- Little Great Work Horse
  - 27 Goodfellow Cres
  - Drop off old electronics, beer cans, wine bottles, pop and beer can tabs, car batteries, old Christmas lights
  - They support local events and clubs
- October 26: Zoo to You Animal Presentation
  - Albion Bolton Library is hosting an exotic animal presentation for all ages
  - Requires pre-registration
- October 30: Glowing Potions
  - Albion Bolton Library is hosting a workshop where participants can make a glowing potion using water beads and LED lights.
  - Requires pre-registration

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.