



Holy Family School Council Meeting Minutes April 29, 2025 6:00PM – 7:35PM

Please note that if you would like to enjoy voting privileges, you must be a Council Member (parent guests are welcome to attend as always but will not have voting privileges).

In Attendance: Kim Spencer, Shelley Vlasic, Brittney Espinola, Shelby Anderson, Ashleigh Spong, Jennifer Richardson, Marie Teskey, Laura Ferren, Kylee Janisse, Jenna Dierick, Marianne Dalpe, Angela (Gabbie) Brown, Amy Battistone, Kate Cohrs, Ainsley Amalfa, Breanna Meza, Lindsey Tarcza-Bender, Sarah Morrison

Regrets: Cheryl Szombati, Brandon Dunphy, Renata Lobato, Rachel Beacock, Sarah Howard, Nicky Promoli, Celiagh Melo, Brielle Ross, Stella Sousa, Augusta Bruce, Jerusalem Wolde, Damilola Ajose, Ellen Flewelling, Mitch Ross, Mosunmola Fabumi

~Feeding the mind, body, and spirit of our children~

1. Call to order by Shelley Vlasic
2. Prayer offered by Kim Spencer
3. Additions and Approval of the Agenda
 - All approved
4. Approval of the Minutes from March 2025
 - All approved
5. Treasurer's Report (Brittney on behalf of Mitch/Jerusalem):
 - 5.1 New Receipts
 - Honorarium for Hope (Photographer) – purchased and to be submitted by Shelley
 - Pizza for two classroom who had the most attendance at the Gingerbread Jamboree (Grade 1/2 Mrs. Corvers and Grade 3 Ms. Inacio) – to be purchased and submitted

5.2 Report financials for recent events/council activities

- No recent events

5.3 Financial update/account balances

- Playground Fund – \$4,827.55
- General Fund – \$5,708.21
- Pancake Day/Special Events Fund – \$662.47

TOTAL: \$11,198.23

6. Standing Items:

6.1 Receive Principal's Report (Kim)

- Easter Chocolate Fundraiser – All bussing was covered through funds raised through this fundraiser for the end of year trips – thank you to parents for your support
- Catholic Education Week – May 5-9 (next week) – liturgy on Monday and Friday, a link will be shared with all families. Different activities will be occurring throughout the week for students.
- First Communion for Grade 2 students will be on Thursday May 1 at Sacred Heart school
- Thursday May 8 at 5:30PM – light refreshments and sandwiches - Andrea (Psychotherapist) will present at Holy Family school on Children's Mental Health
- EQAO for Grade 3 and 6 is at the end of May
- Holy Family was featured in the Diocese of Hamilton for Catholic Education week. A video of our school will be shared to all parents.
- Boundary review for Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic School will be next year
- Father Joe's last day with Sacred Heart is June 30, 2025

6.2 Receive Teacher's Report (Jenna)

- Talent Show – June 13, 2025
- Board Track and Field – June 10 (Rain Date: June 17)

- Choice Day – Thursday May 8 – Grade 4 to 8
 - Students were able to rank their choices from 1 to 5. Options were Arts, Wellness, ‘Downtown Dig’, Sports, and Lacrosse and Indigenous Games.
- Grade 8 Graduation: June 18. Graduation Award: \$50.00 Cheque.

6.3 Receive Regional Council Meeting Report (Brittney on behalf of Cheryl)

- Cyber Safety/Internet & Youth Session – Monday April 14, 2025 – Link to recording below

https://bhncdsbca-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/personal/fpace_bhncdsb_ca1/EXIdWz7sBDtCl9uUzQlFiq4BoI11DXV7UjAfNgXYhkIJiQ?e=0bebKr

7. Business Arising:

7.1 Grants: PRO (Parents Reaching Out) Grant Update

- Thursday May 8 – 6:00PM to 7:30PM – light refreshments and sandwiches - Andrea (Psychotherapist) will present at Holy Family school on Children’s Mental Health

7.2 Earth Day Initiative – Clothing Drive Fundraiser – Saturday April 26, 2025

- Very well received in the community (even outside of our school). 135 bags brought to our school and donated. Final bag count and amount raised TBD.

7.3 Spring Rodeo Fun Fair – Thursday June 5, 2025 – 5:00PM to 7:00PM

- Stations/Games – Horse Racing, Photobooth, Three legged race, Tin Can Toss, Dunk Tank, Line Dancing, Barrel Race and Lasso
- Students will use a passport and collect stamps at each station and then will hand in their completed passport for a ‘LOOT’ bag. LOOT bags would have things such as Croc Jibbitz, Water bottle stickers, tattoos etc.
- BBQ – burgers, veggie burgers and hot dogs
 - Pre-sell tickets on School Cash online for food from May 15 to June 2 for combos only. Costs need to go to Krystal no later than May 12 so she can put it on School Cash Online.
 - Combo – hot dog or burger, chips and a drink (costs to be finalized depending on costs of food)

- Raffle baskets
 - Continue to ask businesses in our community for donations

8. Items for Next Agenda

- Finalize plans for Fun Fair

9. Adjournment – 7:35PM

OTHER NOTES:

- No babysitters were required this meeting

Next Meeting – Thursday May 22, 2025, at 6:00PM

2024-2025 Meeting Dates – 6:00PM to 7:30PM:

Tuesday September 24	Tuesday October 29	Tuesday November 26
Tuesday January 28	Tuesday February 25	Tuesday March 25
Tuesday April 29	Thursday May 22	Tuesday June 10

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