



# Divine Mercy Catholic Elementary School Catholic School Council

## Meeting Minutes

### First Meeting and Election

Tuesday, February 4 - 7:00pm

#### **2024-2025 School Members Present:**

Mrs. Iannetta, Principal

Mrs. Costabile, Teacher Representative

#### **In Attendance**

Mrs. Giselle Lupo

Mrs. Christina Trotti

Mrs. Linda Tucci

Mr. Pat Ruffino

Mr. Ottavio Ariganello

Mrs. Susanna Ariganello

Mrs. Angela Blougouras

Mrs. Marisa Bianchi

*Mrs. Teresa Greco*

#### **Regrets**

*Mrs. Giacomelli, Teacher Representative*

*Mrs. Marlene Severino*

Mrs. Melissa Chiaravalloti

Mr. Tino Romano

Mrs. Ashley Fruci

Mrs. Aline Bertin-Basso

Mrs. Erinda Shehu

Mrs. Rola Londono

Mrs. Storto

Mrs. Ashley Heifa

*Mrs. Josie Romano*

*Mrs. Jenny Padula*

*Mrs. Grace Groves*



Item	Discussion Details	Action Items/Decisions
Principal's Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Welcome and Opening Prayer</li>   <li>2. School Review           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Skate Night               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Well attended and a fun night for all!</li> <li>b. Earlier than last year</li> </ol> </li>   <li>- 2 PA Days this month (Report Card Writing on January 17 and Staff Mid-Year Goal Review, Assessment and Evaluation January 31)</li>   <li>Lion King Trip for intermediate students               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Excellent evening which was bookended with lessons and assignments</li> </ul> </li>   <li>- Literacy Day was well received by students. Dr. Seuss day coming up soon in March</li> </ul> </li>   <li>3. School Calendar Review           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black Heritage Month is being celebrated in classrooms</li> <li>● Rocks &amp; Rings coming back; well received from last year</li> <li>● Canaval &amp; Carnavale coming up at the end of February               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Poutine truck will be present; new vendor from last year</li> <li>○ Dufflebag theatre in French</li> <li>○ Cafe for kids; croissant and hot chocolate</li> <li>○ On the same week, Pink Shirt Day; February 26, 2025.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Hundreds day celebration</li> <li>● Spring Ball and school production of Peter Pan</li> <li>● Christmas Market \$1000 less profit than last year               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Less profit is likely because the YCDSB has banned "Games of Chance".</li> <li>○ As an effect, Pasta Bingo night can not run</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Pancake Tuesday - March 4, 2025               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Small parent team will make and distribute pancakes</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Communion/Confirmation bracelet workshop to happen for Grade 2s and Grade 7</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

	<p>4. Budget &amp; School Purchases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$7000 risers have been purchased and can be used for school functions</li> <li>● Washer/Dryer all-in-one has been purchased for the school             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This can be used for various items including: FLS program, DM sports uniforms, soiled student items etc.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Magic Wear is no longer available online due to supplier decision             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bulk orders to be made in September</li> </ul> </li> <li>● SchoolDay has been used for Grades 7 &amp; 8.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Rollout for Grades 4-6 will happen next.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 24 Magic Wear Hats purchased for \$6             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Supplier was going to dispose</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>Important Updates</p>	<p>1. Hot Lunch Report - Mrs. Lupo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Term 2: Feb 11 - June 26 (19 weeks)</li> <li>○ Profit: \$7000 from Term 1, \$7000 Term 2</li> <li>○ Tubbies will begin this term</li> </ul> <p>2. Fundraising - Mrs. Blugouoras</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Proposed:</b> Easter Lilies (6" potted lily) \$12-15 (\$4-5 profit)</li> <li>● <b>Proposed:</b> Terra - Spring Bulbs 9.03 (\$2-4 profit)</li> <li>● <b>Proposed:</b> Krispy Kreme (\$8/dozen - sell for \$15)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Prizes to be given to the top 3 sellers</li> <li>○ Suggestion to spread prizes amongst divisions (Primary, Junior and Intermediate)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><u>Decision</u></p> <p><i>Vote for fundraiser: All present members in favor</i></p> <p><b>Decision - Krispy Kreme Forms to go home on Easter Weekend</b></p>

	<p>3. BBQ - Mrs. Ariganello</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Petting Zoo was looked into but too restrictive</li> <li>○ X-Movement will be coming in for an activity             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Mrs. Iannetta to reach out and ensure that it is engaging for JK - 8</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Inflatables booked             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Slide and obstacle course</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Ice Cream Sales will occur</li> <li>○ Magician booked</li> <li>○ Face Painting (intermediate students)</li> <li>○ Mr. Corn to cater again</li> <li>○ telMAX Inc. (internet company) - will bring a free train ride so long as they can distribute flyers (no other solicitation or sign up)</li> </ul> <p>4. YCPIC -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review of Code of Ethics</li> <li>○ Fundraising has become difficult because of the decision made re: Games of Chance</li> <li>○ Social Media policy reviewed</li> <li>○ Human Trafficking presentations</li> </ul>	
<p>Varia</p>	<p>1. Safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pylons purchased for parking lot</li> </ul> <p>2. Primary Trip Richmond Hill Theatre trip has been rescheduled for March 26, 2025.</p> <p>3. Smoothies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$2 subsidized by school making smoothies \$5</li> <li>○ Purple Smoothie Day for Lent</li> <li>○ Yellow Smoothie Day for Spring</li> </ul> <p>4. Report Cards are issued on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mrs. Iannetta to send a note home in some report cards regarding late and absences; it is becoming a concern and students should be set up for success</li> </ul>	<p><u>Decision</u></p>

	<p>5. Hearing Centre is closing at the end of the year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This was included in phase planning from years back</li> <li>○ This classroom is going to be converted into a chapel</li> <li>○ Mrs. Iannetta has acquired a donation of four pews</li> </ul>	
<p>Closing</p>	<p>1. Thank you to all staff and parent council members 2. Adjournment and Closing Prayer</p>	<p><b>Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 1, 2025.</b></p>

### **Catholic School Council Prayer**

*Dear Lord,*

*You have called us together as your servants and members of the Divine Mercy Catholic School community.*

*Grant us the light of your Spirit and guide us in our responsibilities as a Catholic School Council.*

*May we use the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our leadership to;*

*Work together in harmony and dialogue,*

*Listen to one another in a spirit of genuine respect,*

*Encourage and reverence one another's unique talents,*

*Approach our consensus through discernment and prayer, and*

*Respond effectively to the needs of the children in our care.*

*May Your blessings radiate from us to others in a new spirit of service.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, The Light of the World. Amen*

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