

**Minutes** – November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

***Attendance:***

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|---------------------|--------------------------|
| - Kathleen Ferrao   | - Andrea Vieira          |
| - Ana Pavao         | - Beata Cymbrowicz       |
| - Diana Da Ponte    | - J. Mendonza-De La Cruz |
| - Sandra Szewczyk   | - Justyna Garrido        |
| - Jennifer Vassallo |                          |

Prayer – Diana Da Ponte (Parish Rep)

Land Acknowledgement – Principal

October 16<sup>th</sup> Minutes Approved by: Sandra Szewczyk and Ana Pavao

Agenda Approved by: Andrea Vieira and Jennifer

**Principal's Report – refer to Page 2.**



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*Let your light shine, so others may see God's good works. Matthew 5:16*

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### Principal's report:

Mrs. Keenan's last day is Friday. The new secretary will start on Monday. We are looking forward to having Ms. Oliveira return on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### Curriculum

Teachers in SK-2 assessed their students using the Acadience Reading Screener. They have begun having discussions with parents regarding the results. The Board is using results from the reading screener to determine the direction of support.

We were successful in securing an opportunity for our grade 7s and 8s to go to the Level Up Career Fair. This trip was free – it was paid for by funding from Skills Ontario.

Mrs. English had about 30 parents interested in attending Camp Muskoka. As of this afternoon, only 3 had paid their first installment of \$107. Payment is due on Friday. We need to courier a cheque to Camp Muskoka next week to pay the \$2700 deposit. The school will pay the added cost of courier since Canada Post is on strike.

I have allocated the full amount of the Outdoor education budget to the Camp Muskoka Trip to pay for supply teachers. We will need a supply teacher to cover for Mrs. Lepidas' class and a supply teacher to cover for Mr. Habib. It costs \$340 per day for a supply teacher. The remainder of the cost for supply teachers will come out of our school generated fundraising account. This helps us to reduce the cost to the students for the trip as we don't have to include this in the cost per student.

Our IDEA class was granted an opportunity to go to Riverwood Conservancy for a free trip- this includes the cost of bussing. They will be going there in May.

Mrs. D'Souza, the health nurse and our CYW will be starting PALs. The health nurse will be coming in the shortly to train the students.

Mrs. English's class was trained by the health nurse with some DPA activities. Her students will schedule time into the other classes to teach them the activities.

These 2 initiatives helped us to qualify for a grant of \$500 to create a sensory wall in our school. Mrs. Baldassarre

We had the vendor come out to measure the gym for the mats on the stage. We have put in a work order to have the basketball net on the wall to the right as you enter the gym moved to the wall on the other side of the gym. This will help us to avoid the additional costs of having a custom mat with a cut out for the fire hose and label for the fire hose created.

Updated Council on Board Budget allocation and Pizza fundraising

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**Teacher's Report** – Nothing. Ms. English isn't present today.

**Parish Report** – Confirmation dates.

- School Mass – December 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm

**Treasurer Report:**

\*\*4 more people with outstanding money. Sell last box at the bake sale.

**St. Gerard School Advisory Council  
Treasurer's Report  
November 1, 2024**

Bank Balance as of Sept 27, 2024		\$3,056.06
PLUS Deposits:	Cash Online	\$ 1,568.00
		<u><b>\$4,624.06</b></u>
LESS Cheques:	See below	\$260.59
LESS Bank Charges:	October	\$4.95
Unofficial Balance as of November 1, 2024		<u><b>\$4,358.52</b></u>

* Outstanding Cheques	Chq Date	Chq No.	Amount
Marijana Likarevic - Art Supplies	2024-05-08	14	81.33
Andrea Vieira - Dance-a-thon Prizes	2024-06-03	30	179.26
<b>Total Outstanding</b>			<b>260.59</b>

Notes:

\*Shrek Musical Credit

\$984.90

\*\*Cash online of \$1600 less 2% in Cash Online fees = \$1,568

  
Treasurer Signature

Nov 26, 2024  
Date

## St. Gerard School Advisory Council Treasurer's Report December 1, 2024

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Bank Balance as of Oct 31, 2024 \$4,439.85

PLUS Deposits:	Nov 5th	\$	5,648.00
		\$	2,850.16
	**Cash Online	\$	980.00
			<b>\$13,918.01</b>

LESS Cheques: See below \$5,808.55

LESS Bank Charges: November \$4.95

Unofficial Balance as of December 1, 2024 **\$8,104.51**

* Outstanding Cheques	Chq Date	Chq No.	Amount
Marijana Likarevic - Art Supplies	2024-05-08	14	81.33
Andrea Vieira - Gift Cards for Chocolate Fundraiser Winners	2024-11-05	31	376.95
Worlds Finest Chocolates	2024-11-08	32	5,350.27
<b>Total Outstanding</b>			<b>5,808.55</b>

Notes:

\*Shrek Musical Credit \$984.90

\*\*Cash online of \$1000 less 2% in Cash Online fees = \$980

  
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 Treasurer Signature

Nov 26, 2024  
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Pizza Party Winning Class Prize:

- Friday before the break – Pizza party for the winners.

**Action Items:**

1. Chocolate fundraiser
  - i. Profit for Council: Approx. \$3000
  - ii. 1 box returned to sell
  - iii. \$400 missing from students
2. Christmas Craft night
  - i. Hot Chocolate from Tim Hortons donated by Marie-Anne
  - ii. Make a flyer – shout out to the sponsors and reps who contributed
  - iii. Silent Auction and Bake Sale
  - iv. Photos with Santa – Free
  - v. Poster to CashOnline link – Principal to inquire about approval
  - vi. Background Music? PA system working with Christmas music playlist
3. Other items
  - i. Volleyball Net
    - a. Found out AFTER that someone came in and didn't do what was asked for on the work order. Coming back to do it.
    - b. Able to use the poles and the nets
    - c. Thank you to St. Martins and Jenn donating the balls
  - ii. Sporting Equipment:
    - a. Jerseys look great
  - iii. Carpet in the kindergarten class
    - a. Supply chain catalogue – vinyl mat
  - iv. Community Event
    - a. Skating Night – February
  - v. Dance-a-thon – Friday before March Break (March 7<sup>th</sup>)
  - vi. Big Box Cards in May
    - a. Playday and end of summer

Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> – next meeting

Meeting Adjourned: 7:30pm by Ana Pavao