



# ST. MARY CHS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



March 27, 2018, Time: 6:30 pm

## Discovery Den

<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	JP Elliott (principal), Christa Monds (VP), Anne Pryor, Cathy Cavanagh (Chaplain), LeeAnn Butler, Melissa Stillar, David Annable (Chair), Julie Marshall (Secretary), Priyantha Peiris, Cathy Cavanagh (Chaplain), Robert Purcell (OSAID), Payton Mooiebrook (student council)
<b>REGRETS</b>	Kelly Brownson, Jane MacDonald (Student Council Chair), Anita Spence (Treasurer),
<b>PRAYER</b>	Cathy Cavanagh
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES (from January 23, 2018)</b>	approved
<b>FINANCIAL REPORT⇒</b>	<p><b>Balance Forward (Month: Jan. Day: 16 year: 2018):       \$ \$2069.04</b></p> <p><b>Revenue:</b></p> <p>Casual Day       Month: Feb 16   year: 2018       \$772.00</p> <p>Casual Day       Month: March 23   year: 2018       \$862.55</p> <p><b>Total Revenue:   \$\$1634.55</b></p> <p><b>Expenditures:</b></p> <p>Bursaries Transfer (2x\$250)   \$500.00</p> <p><b>Total Expenses:   \$500.00</b></p> <p><b>Bank Balance Forward (as at today):   \$3203.59</b></p>

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT /  
SCHOOL BUSINESS**

{ **SECONDARY News**} ⇨

- Elementary Term 1 Reports and Secondary first semester reports were distributed in February.
- Our guidance department spent time with our students to help them with their course selections for next year.
- Our technology teachers brought a dozen St. Mary students to the Eastern Ontario Skilz Competition. They competed in many categories such as construction, video production, photography, graphic art and hospitality.
- Our Outdoor Ed Club went on a successful three day ski trip to Quebec. Everyone arrived back in one piece.
- Our OSAID Chapter hosted Neil from MADD Canada who gave us a presentation on making healthy and safe choices. He asked us all to “make the pact” to not drive under the influence.
- Mr. Murphy hosted the Waterloo math competitions for some of our students.
- Boys Basketball, Girls Volleyball, Boys and Girls Hockey and Curling finished up their seasons. All of the boys and girls basketball and volleyball teams won LGSSAA. Everyone competed very well at EOSSAA in particularly the senior boys basketball team who were hopeful OFSAA competitors. The girls hockey team lost at LGSSAA. They finished very strongly. The Boys Varsity Hockey won LGSSAA and competed at EOSSAA. Our Curling team did very well at LGSSAA. Badminton has starting up soon to be followed by Soccer and Track
- We had two casual days this month. One was Board mandated for the Guatemala trip and proceeds went to the Board. The second was for the United Way. We normally have a third for School Council but due to
- Our students went on the Guatemala Exposure Trip with Father Brennan. The experience was very impactful.
- Our grade 11 Religion classes are hosting a representative from Mental Health and Addictions over three days to learn more about Mental Health and healthy lifestyles.
- Mrs. Chartrand hosted an Indigenous Artist who taught the Art students and the student in the Arts and Culture SHSM how to carve in Soapstone.
- We hosted delegations from local schools as well as Board staff and local dignitaries at the CDSBEO Bravo Breakfast this morning. Emily Annable and Grace Anderson are our Bravo winners. Bravo winners are unsung heros in our building who do not ask or receive recognition.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We had another delegation of students go on a successful trip to Greece over March Break</li> <li>• We hosted the community on February 21<sup>st</sup> and welcomed the grade 8 and 6 students at our Showcase Night. The night was very successful. Currently there are 92 grade 9's registered for September. We hope to break the 100 mark.</li> <li>• Students and staff are preparing for the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test which will be on April 10th.</li> <li>• Secondary Learning Skills Reports go out Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> with Interviews on Tuesday March 27<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• The preparation by the Musical Theatre Class of their production of Footloose is ongoing. Performance dates are June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Arts Centre.</li> <li>• The Friday before March Break was the Staff vs. Student Hockey Game to raise money for the Defeat Depression campaign. It was an exciting game. This year the girls hockey team joined the students. The student beat the teacher in a shootout.</li> <li>• Secondary Mid-Terms go home April 20th</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>SCHOOL BUSINESS</b>  { ELEMENTARY News}⇒</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basketball and hockey continues as the main sports happening in the Elementary division right now. Catholic Cup is tomorrow at St. Mikes in Kemptville and the girls hockey team is also away at their second tournament of the season.</li> <li>• Today we hosted Bravo Breakfast here at St. Mary, celebrating our unsung hero's, from our school and all the area Catholic Schools.</li> <li>• Girls Incorporated has been visiting once a week and delivering a Financial literacy club to a group of interested ladies.</li> <li>• A small group of girls also participating in a sewing club, facilitated by Benita Adams, they made pillows.</li> <li>• We are receiving a number of calls/visits about new registrations in for September, hopeful that the 5 classes will remain the same with 5 home form classrooms.</li> </ul>

<p><b>CHAPLAIN'S REPORT</b>  <b>{Cathy Cavanagh}⇒</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guatemala Trip was a success with a small group of students and Father Brennan spending time learning about indigenous Guatemalan culture and helping with work projects in a village. They will present at our Holy Week mass next week.</li> <li>• Our Ash Wednesday celebration launched the season of Lent on February 14th. We also kicked off our Lenten Project that day with a fundraiser in support of the Canadian Cancer Society (we are tying in with Relay for Life rather than running competing fundraisers). Our initial activity, Change-4-Change, raised almost \$700.</li> <li>• A new club has been formed at the school under the chaplaincy umbrella that consists of senior students who are promoting awareness of Indigenous Issues by running the Kairos Blanket Activity with different classes. This is a simulation activity that allows students to learn about the impact of colonialism on our indigenous peoples.</li> <li>• Our Gay Straight Alliance has started up again. We meet every second Thursday at lunch to help support our LGBTQ students and ensure they are protected from any bullying and have the full sense of belonging that Christ wants for all of us.</li> <li>• Our next mass will be next Wednesday as we move into Holy Week.</li> <li>• During the Easter season we will finish the necessary workshops for our Specialist High Skills Major in Non-Profit, and prepare for our Catholic Education week activities which include the annual Walk against Poverty.</li> </ul>
<p><b>STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT⇒</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of April: Spring Fling Week – Monday: Koolaid jammers, Tuesday: twin day and games in gym, Wednesday: meme day – dress up as a character AND Spring Semi formal dance; Thursday: chocolate day</li> <li>• Looking forward to BBQ at end of Spring</li> <li>• Relay for Life: May 11 with kick off the first week of April</li> </ul>
<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE ⇒</b>  <b>{Request for Funds}</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request for funds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OSAID National Conference (presentation by Robert Purcell OSAID St Mary Student Rep): request \$325 for student supervisor at the National Youth Summit in Niagara Falls May 10-13, 2018; approved unanimously</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Half Marathon; 27 students, to subsidize bus, food drink and uniform: request \$1000; discussion resulted in recommendation to approve \$500 now and revisit as needed/requested at next meeting; approved \$500 unanimously</li> <li>3. Envirothon; event date is April 24, 2018 for bus transportation: request \$250; approved unanimously</li> <li>4. Relay for Life; May 11, 2018, food and activities for the 12 hour event: request \$1000; approved unanimously</li> <li>5. Musical Theater; set equipment like smoke machines etc...: request \$1000 to buy items that have typically been rented; approved unanimously</li> <li>6. Grad Committee; to support treats, snacks and drinks: request \$300; approved unanimously</li> </ol>
<b>NEW BUSINESS ⇨</b>	Meeting Dates: May 15 @6:30 at St Mary CHS
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p><b>Motion for adjournment: 7:15 pm</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting ➡ May 15, 2018 at 6:30 pm, St Mary Library</b></p>