**2019/2020 ST. PAUL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: NOVEMBER 14th, 2019, 6:30 pm**

**Attendance:** Grace Siracusa, Ann Worobec, Bruno Iannacca, Mario Pascucci,

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| **Item** | **Speaker** |
| **Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory** | Chair / Principal: We acknowledge and thank the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation for being stewards of this traditional  territory. |
| **Opening Prayer** | Grace Siracusa |
| **Attendance** | Parents: Grace Siracusa, Marcia Mendonca, Ann Worobec, Daniela Cavatassi, Erin DiCarlo. Trixia Gener, Matt Watt,  Staff: Sandra Antonutti  Student Trustee: Natalie Hall  Trusties: Bruno Iannicca, Mario Pascucci |
| **Approval of Minutes October 3, 2019** | 1st:  2nd:  Approved: |
| **Approval of Agenda Nov 14, 2019** | 1st:  2nd:  Approved: |
| **REPORTS:** |  |
| Co- Chair Grace Siracusa  (Regrets from Chair Patricia Meehan) | Council “brainstorming” discussion on Parent Engagement opportunities   * How do we want to connect with parents and their students? * What events would the Council like to consider?   Financial Literacy   * Mental health * Parenting Support * Social Media * Survey parent community for ideas * Would be great to agree on 3 or 4 ideas that we could plan in the fall for delivering in the January-June 2020 timeframe. * Police speak to things that lure kids into criminal activities   Funding:   * If we are able to get a PRO Grant under the new guidelines, we could use this for one or two events. * If not, what other fundraising would we consider doing? i.e. charging admission to the event (s) * Pro Grant funding has been cut- 50% less – will come from the board * Beautification of Chapel- partnering with Cobbs bread. * Timeline- Around Easter * More information to follow |
| Student Rep Report | Natalie Hall – Mental Health week- Oct. 23th. Various speakers on Monday and Tuesday- Wednesday – Mental health hour-student run, both staff and students joined one of many activities that were stress reducing.  Remembrance Day Ceremony- Leadership run- very well received by students and veterans present.  Free The Flow- Pilot in Girls Washrooms- One month trial- free accessible menstrual products will be placed in the girls washrooms  Christmas Baskets- Launch Nov. 25th  Day of Hope Dec. 5 – Day of Service--- would like to bring 100 students  Dec. 11- Advent Mass |
| Treasurer Report | Daniela Cavatassi Nothing to Report |
| Parish Rep Report | Ann Worobec- Father Terry’s Installation Nov. 23rd |
| OAPCE Rep Report | Rosemary Chambers Deferred to next meeting |
| Principal’s Report | Sandra Antonutti  Demonstration of school website- Updates added with new videos under the following tabs- **News, Our Faith, Students**  Cafeteria specials under **Parents** to keep them informed  Review of School Generated Funds Report- The report addresses the monies that are collected from the students and used for the students. The report will soon be uploaded onto school website. |
| **New Business:** | Mario Iannicca and Mario Pascucci – brings news from the board-  No news on Job actions  Tests for Lead in the water- test twice a year- province set the standard but DP had already established this standard within their health and safety procedures. Provided parents the latest test results for St. Paul.  St. Paul fell well below the acceptable threshold.  Board is presently reviewing Bullying Policy as a result of the Hamilton incident. As it stands the board is compliant to PPM145  Continue to work on math strategies- to increase math scores  86% graduation rate over four years  93% graduation rate over five year  Technology Project - Edwin Chrome Books for every student in grade 6 through to 8.  Special Education Spending--- Every year the board over spends above what the Ministry provides  E learning- what courses??? Equity in access??? – Still looking for answers from Ministry  Liberal candidate Alvin Tedjo, who is advocating for One School system- claims it will be a cost saving practice. Parents need to be aware of this candidate who currently running for the Liberal Leadership.  School Resource Officers- one goal was to nurture the relationship between the students and the police – Believes that this goal has come to fruition.  DP Values the partnership with Region of Peel Police  Human Trafficking Presentation- Bruno Iannicca hosted a presentation with Peel Police two years ago at Father Michael Goetz and is interested in hosting it again |
| **Next Meeting** | January 16, 2020 |
| **Adjournment:** | Time: 9:10pm |