



AGM & September Meeting Minutes

St. Dominic Savio Catholic School Community Council
September 10th, 2024

Name	Position	*	Name	Position	*
Joline Matsalla	Chair/Yearbook	P	Tanya Bechard	Special Lunch	P
Sarah France	Vice Chair/Parish Liaison	P	Erin Degelman	Special Lunch	P
Jill Thoudsanikone	Secretary/Social	X			
Melissa Hicke	Treasurer	P	Jamie Carlson	Social	X
			Jennifer Giannini	Social/Communication	P
Crystal Boos	Director/Fundraising	P	Lindsey Miller	Social	P
Stephanie Lloyd	Director/Special Lunch	X	Janessa Rath	Social	X
Megan Ludik	Director/Communication/Social	P	Nadine Selinger		P
Maraya Zook	Director	P	Jenna Webb	Fundraising	P
Kaitlyn Brown		P	Amanda Reich		P
Gilles Dauphinais	Principal	P	Christina Costanza	Member at Large	P
Allison Greenough	Vice-Principal	P	Allison Hall	Member at Large	P
Dawn Jones	Grade 6/7 Teacher	P	Carmen Lanigan	Member at Large	P
			Meagan Ulmer	Member at Large	T

* P =attended in person; X = not in attendance; T = Teams

Welcome!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome / Land Acknowledgment / Opening Prayer - Joline Matsalla • Introductions • Call to Order - 6:38pm, Joline Matsalla • Approve agenda - Stand as approved • Approve previous minutes - Stand as approved
<p style="text-align: center;">AGM - Sylvia Heidt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In accordance with the St. Dominic Savio CSCC Constitution, members are nominated and elected to the CSCC. • CSCC's are recognized in legislation as the official parent/community voice within their school. They operate within the framework of Board Policy and Applications. The role of the Catholic School Community Council is to work in conjunction with the principal and staff to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Promote Catholic Education b. Provide input and further the learning goals of the school

- c. Support student learning success and well being
- d. Encourage parent and community involvement in the school
- e. Represent the School Community at the division and provincial level and
- f. Understand the community

- Current positions that have completed their 2-year term are: Chair, Vice-Chair & Secretary, we will also accept new members to join our various committees (Social Committee, Fundraising Committee, Special Lunch Committee)

- **Nominations**

- Joline nominated Crystal for Secretary for 1-year term
 - Joline will stay on as Chair - 2-year term
 - Sarah France is willing to stay on as Vice-Chair - 2-year term
- Review/Approve Constitution (will review in October)

Principal's Report - Gilles Dauphinais

- Teachers will attend monthly meetings (1-2 each month)
- Enrolment is 290 as of Sept 10
- Cleared preschool out to get another teacher/classroom but due to low enrolment, may not happen
- In the meantime, will be additional workspace for EFAP - now, EISC - & primary grades 1 & 2
- Safety blitz coming from Cst Brandon Boone end of Sept for lockdown, reverse lockdown, and fire drills
- Football & cross country have begun
- Terry Fox Sept 27 - parents welcome to join with change drive leading up and online donation option
- No school on TRC day Sept 30
- Liturgy for Orange Shirt Day Oct 1
- Oct 4 - Staff Retreat Day, no school
- NEW - Shark Creed has been posted in each room for them to recite & tie into virtue's done daily and monthly
- Opening liturgy next week
- Bought gift for new kindergarten kids coming in to give them at opening liturgy
- School spirit wear - met with vendor last Friday and will be sending out order information online - order online and all will be in by Christmas gift - if you want it as gift, let Sylvia know to hold it and they won't pass it along to the kids
- Friday Nov 22 Conferences Day in lieu off
- School Cash Online for lunch supervision fees
- Athletics - K to Gr 4/5 will use; Grade 5/6 - 8 will use Math-magma (division-wide)
- Athletics has a fee of about \$1500 for CSCC to consider
- Oct 22 & 23 School Picture Days (Edge Imaging)
- Dawn Jones - acknowledged CSCC helpful to the classrooms and thanked the group as a whole

Chair Report - Joline Matsalla

- New members - Jenna Webb, Carmen Lanigan, Janessa Rath, Meagan Ulmer - Amazing!
- School start sales - 74 orders, 28 were placed in June & July so we will receive a loyalty cheque in the spring/summer of 2025. Cheque was made out to St. Dominic this year, not the CSCC. Voted via WhatsApp to give the money to the school going forward.
- School Start this year option to "opt out" of items weren't available so to look into for future
- 2023/2024 school year grant money of \$1000 was used to purchase new BBQ. Staff used the BBQ in June and the CSCC used it for backpack drop-off BBQ

- CSCC members voted via WhatsApp in August to use the 2024/2025 grant money on Backpack Dropoff BBQ on Thursday August 29th, 2024
- Using WhatsApp to communicate with members - working great
- Childcare for meetings - Staff will take a poll via WhatsApp to determine need ahead of time, Principal would like to acknowledge them with a small GC each time - voted yes to do this as a group
- Globe Theatre - CSCC used to take school pre-covid and this year it's Peter Pan - if Walk A Thon raises enough money, we hope to send the kids to this - prices have gone up with the renovation so will check back at next meeting
- Yearbooks - 98 sold & have been shipped, should be here soon
- Collecting old Shark Wear for kids who can't afford can help themselves to other items - they're kept with the lost and found for people to take - they will take inventory and let us know what we might need
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Financial Report - Melissa Hicke

- One large fundraiser at Walk a Thon - raised over \$15,000 so we didn't do any more fundraising after this
- Used this to buy laminator, cricket, bussing, track shoes, teacher allotment of \$3K, Halloween dance which was free for families to attend and was popular and well attended
- Special Lunches were affordable and not considered a fundraiser
- Special treats were extra and free of charge
- \$5K left after the BBQ at backpack drop-off
- \$1,000 to use for Walk a Thon start up
- Budget for this year will be done at the November meeting after Walk A Thon
- Library resources to be considered in the future - bookfair funds covered this last year
- Consider Athletics for this year too (approx. \$1500)

Social Committee - Megan Ludik

- Backpack Drop-off BBQ - went well, very busy - underestimated how many would show up and so early but it was well attended and ended up with extra and donated them to the staff. Zook from IGA handled the food order and dropped it all off for us. Ran out of the gluten-free options. Maybe need to make the signs more obvious as some took these by mistake. The balloons were a hit and looked amazing - they're still up in the gym. Next year they will up the count on the veggies. Dylan Hicke dressed up at the shark to greet everyone. Perhaps to get lawn signs made for photo ops on the front lawn for backpack drop off and first day.
- Turkey Trot - Fri, Oct 11 - winner will get pumpkin pies
- Halloween Dance - always looking for older kids to help them out. Oct 25- DJ is booked. 6-8:30pm was last year but will likely follow same format and timeline. Inflatables as décor/prizes were purchased last year while on-sale after Halloween last year. B&A helps decorate early in the day that day. Looking for volunteers to buy prizes, raffle table, and prize draws. Canteen to be a Gr 8 fundraiser - they need to double the amount of items they have to sell as last year they ran out. Principal can check fire-codes with capacity.
- Looking for more members to join and help them out

Fundraising Committee - Crystal Boos

- Walkathon Date Set - Tuesday October 15th, 2025 in the afternoon
- Set up display case week of Sept 16
- Need day of volunteers for set up
- Need week of volunteers to visit classrooms
- Need week of volunteers to help count ballots & money
- Still would accept prize donations
- Assembly same day after the walk is done
- Erin, Jenna, Joline, and Crystal will lead & do volunteer call out

Special Lunch Committee - Erin Degelman

- Boston Pizza - Sept 26
- Walk A Thon - popsicles or something else for treat weather-permitting
- Oct 16 was scheduled treat day - will continue to offer this even though it is back-to-back with Walk a Thon
- Oct 31 free pizza day on Halloween - voted in favor of the Halloween free day
- Taco in a Bag in Nov 15 + Tailgate lunch for Grey Cup weekend
- Want to continue with "Feed the Sharks" options to help those who can't afford special lunches, there is a donation option on Healthy Hunger to round up to go to those families, Alison can order for these children and the item can be selected so that it's more discreet and other kids
- Brought up that we need a nutrition program for families and an option for families to donate towards this - Alison and Gilles can look into how many kids would need this resource - be clear to what donations are going towards as families can be more generous this way
- Would like to support DQ as they donated \$1,000 worth of playground equipment this year
- December 11 & 12 - hot chocolate and cookies
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Communications/Social Media - Megan Ludik & Jen Giovanni

- We have Canva to create posts
- Would like some help
- They proofread for each other and would like more content about the sports games and information of upcoming events if teachers and staff want to share with them
- 200 social media followers now

Other

- Jenna Webb - are we partnering with care homes for Christmas - kids have brought in donations or angel tree which goes to care home
- Santa store - donate old toys which was a huge success last year
- Christmas concert not yet finalized but date set December 18 @ 7pm
- Proposed to purchase shovels and have the older kids go around in neighborhood after it snows
- Hampers at Christmas as well - did this last year and would like to do again
- Sponsor a family
- Resurrection is collecting school supplies for other families
- Staff will create a wish list for classroom and playground and will bring it back to CSCC for consideration
- Nadine Selinger - Proposed social media education for kids - funding to allocate on information sharing with the kids on awareness around social media. Resource officer does do this for Gr 4-8 and it's free - the school can seek this out to bring them in for this reason to explain internet safety and etiquette. Explore splitting the cost with the school to bring in additional speakers or resources.

Next meeting:

- Tuesday October 1st @ 6:30pm

Adjournment

7:53pm