

# BISHOP TONNOS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

February 27, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

*Mr. Barone, Alessandra, Jamie, Matt, Stefanie, Anthony*

1. Prayer – see attached
2. Acceptance of Minutes from last meeting – December Minutes found here:  
<https://bt.hwcdsb.ca/school/catholicschoolcouncil/?fileID=599116>  
*\*\*\*Note that the January CSC meeting was cancelled*  
Minutes approved
3. Student Council Report
  - Senior formal was run mid-February; it was a sell out crowd; held at Carmen's; police feedback was favourable
  - Student council is running a dodgeball tournament
  - Involved with the Food drive for the Ancaster Community Food Drive
  - Junior Semi-formal on April 20<sup>th</sup>
4. Principal's Report
  - 9 suspensions in total since the last report. Note that vaping gone down in bathrooms – less presence at BT; Some of the suspensions included 4 kids suspended for fighting and 2 suspended for swearing/inappropriate language directed at a staff member.
  - Large group went to Dreams at DR and this event was partnered with BR. The BT students were responsible for the construction of an aqueduct to bring water to a village for homes and crops
  - Celebratory Masses: Advent Mass in Christmas and Ash Wednesday last week
  - Senior Girls Volleyball team won first ever city championships - congratulations
  - Playing in GHAC championships on February 28<sup>th</sup> – given space at OFSAA and best of luck for them
  - DECA – a business club that has been thriving at BT. Involved in a Toronto championships and won 6 medals against 6000 students across the province
  - Caribou math contest – series of 6 competitive contests – the last one we had world-wide results

- John C, Holland Awards – one student won for her work on Black History awareness all year long...Congratulations to her!
- Pancake Day a huge success

#### 5. Treasurer's Report

- Previously had \$461.91 in our account
- Received \$900 for our CSC
- Thus, \$1361.09 currently in the account
- Possibility: St. Mary's/Cathedral partnership - Teens and Mental Health, May 1<sup>st</sup> speaker opportunity. Anthony will gather more details: awaiting description from speaker and determine location/platform
- Would a wellness focus be in demand right now given the mental health issues post-Covid? Social worker at BT is busy so feels like a timely event.
- Vote: selection process to secure Mental Health with St. Mary's or theology at Cathedral. We will hold off and then we can take it to a vote. An inquiry regarding any other options. Open to suggestions from the BT parent/caregiver community—another possibility is a post-secondary destination day to look at transitions and destinations

#### 6. New Business

- Summer school opportunities with St. Charles – usually posted at the beginning of May. Also posted on BT's website.
- Reconciliation Days – next one is March 9<sup>th</sup>
- Public Health Vaccination Clinic is on March 8<sup>th</sup>

#### 7. Adjournment 8:09 p.m.

## **Catholic School Council Prayer**

God, the source of every good gift

You have called us together as servants to do your will

Grant us the light of your spirit

To guide us in our responsibilities as a School Council.

May we work together in harmony for the common good

May we listen to one another in a spirit of genuine respect

May we encourage and reverence one another's unique talents

May we use the gifts of the Spirit in creative Christian leadership

May we approach our decision making through discernment and prayer

May we respond effectively to the needs of the children in our care

God of Love

You give us the gifts of the Holy Spirit

For the common good

May your blessings radiate from us to others

In a new spirit of service

We ask this through Jesus Christ

The Light of the World

Amen