



ATTENDANCE

Members

DJ Laprise, Christ the King Catholic School
Emily Gurd, Christ the King Catholic School
Felicia Ceccacci-Smiths, Georges P Vanier Catholic School
Carla Annett - Good Shepherd Catholic School
Allison Lee-Holloway - Holy Family Catholic School
Sarah Packet, Holy Rosary Catholic School
Ashley Nottley - Sacred Heart Catholic School, Port Lambton
Daniel Belanger, St. Angela Merici Catholic School
Christine Rowland, St. Angela Merici Catholic School
Kate Vilaranda, St. Anne Catholic School, Blenheim
Christine Thompson, St. Elizabeth Catholic School
Gemma Vitella, St. Michael Catholic School, Bright's Grove
Shauna Ward-Carver, St. Philip Catholic School
Tracy Pound, St. Patrick's Catholic High School
Tressa Brown, St. Patrick's Catholic High School

Trustees, Administration & Staff

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| Chris Kehoe | Lisa Demers | Michael Giroux | David Argenti |
| Catherine Day | Cortnee Goure | Ken Ross | |

Chair: Tressa Brown

Recording Secretary: Josselyne Segeren

1. Welcome

Tressa called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Meeting Notes - Tressa Brown

Motion: (Daniel Belanger, Jenn Stewart) That the meeting notes for the Parent Involvement Committee meeting of Wednesday, November 23, 2022, be approved.

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda - Tressa Brown

Motion: (Karen Theriault, Ashley Nottley) That the meeting agenda for the Parent Involvement Committee meeting of Wednesday, January 18, 2023, be approved.



4. School Year Calendar

Lisa Demers presented the draft of the school year calendar. She highlighted the start and end of the new school year, holidays, and the PA days. The next step is for the calendar to be submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval later this spring.

5. School Fundraising

Catherine Day gave a presentation about School Fundraising. She touched on the role of school councils in the fundraising process, the Ministry of Education guidelines for fundraising, how to create the fundraising plan, and how parent councils contribute to the success. She also provided some examples.

6. Youth Leadership

Greetings and Prayer

Cecil Isaac, Elder, Bkejwanong Territory, brought greetings to the group. Students led the group in an opening prayer.

Cortnee showed pictures and discussed how students are meeting regularly, and have met throughout covid. These student groups are making drums, and learning about traditional medicines. Each youth group, both at UCC and St. Patrick's, have each created their own group name with a meaning behind it.

Students are building relationships and creating opportunities, building community in their school, and making friends.

Cortnee introduced some of the students who are part of the youth groups. They shared what Youth Leadership means to them.

- learn about culture and sense of community
- taking initiative and time to show up for the leadership group
- opportunities to express as well as learn
- a lot of ways to learn
- teach the school and community about our culture
- give some, get some - give time as a student, and get time from leaders and the group to learn
- forms of art, how to bead, language - introduced to many new experiences and learning

Cecil Isaac, Elder, Bkejwanong Territory, explained the importance of the Youth Groups at St. Patrick's and UCC. These youth groups are opportunities for students to learn teachings. It opens up learning for the students, they are learning and understanding the meaning behind what they are doing.

7. Closing Prayer

Michael Giroux led the closing prayer.

8. Adjournment

Tressa adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.