



**Christ the King Catholic School Advisory Council Meeting
Tuesday October 17, 2023 5:30 – 6:30 PM**

General Meeting

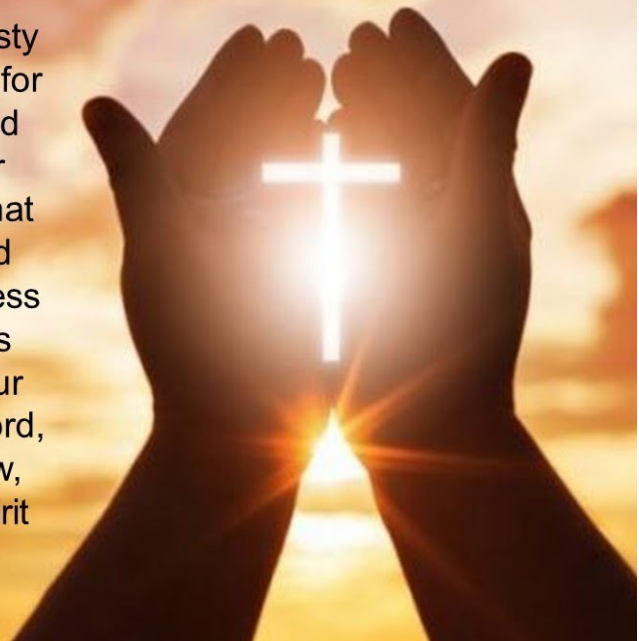
Attending: Andrea Dafoe, Dianna Cahves, Cindy Thower-Kelly, Muriel Vandepol, Miriam Giron, Mr T, Jessica Riggs

Regrets: Jessica Alves, Jessica Borges

1. Welcome, land acknowledgement and opening prayer:

We would like to acknowledge that the land on which we gather today is the traditional home of the Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe and Neutral People. We acknowledge the enduring presence and deep traditional knowledge, laws and philosophies of the Indigenous Peoples with whom we share this land today. We seek a new relationship with the Original People of this land, one based on honour and deep respect. We are grateful for the opportunity to learn here and reaffirm our collective commitment to make the promise and the challenge of Truth and Reconciliation real in our community.

Almighty God,
Thank you for the beauty and majesty
we see in your creation. Thank you for
the opportunity to care for the world
you have made. We ask that your
blessing would rest on this team, that
you would give us great vision and
enthusiasm for our work. Please bless
the efforts of our hands, the bonds
between us and the influence of our
work in this location and beyond. Lord,
as we plan and share together now,
may you guide us by your Holy Spirit
and lead us into all truth.
In Jesus name, Amen.



2. Muriel from Public Health to connect with council – feedback from the experience with the Open House BBQ – had great interaction with the family and heard great feedback on what a great staff and school community we have.

She is visiting the school every Thursday morning and talks to the students to hear their voices and identified more areas to help and build on.

There close work being done with Greenway and the foodbank in Cambridge – bringin the green market to more locations to make it more and more visible and accessible to everyone, specially those that would need it the most.

Started some discussions on what families would be looking most to succeed in the community and also identify where the most struggles are – some conversation was regarding the need to connect and socialize more with parents and children in person – also the increased need for help with groceries and food – there was talk about the different efforts made within the school staff, the food bank and other organizations like Food for Kids that are working to help the community in this aspects

3. Principal Updates

- Halloween will be as usual at CTK – Kids can wear their costumes or black and orange cloting if they wish – the Board is pushing for the more inclusive Black and Orange wear – but CTK can allow costumes this year as long as they are appropriate to our faith, no weapons or facer coverinnngs

- EQAO results – both math and literacy results were below average Provincial levels – in both areas consultants have been contacted to bring and prepare tools with the staff to help bring the levels up

- Open House BBQ – was good turnout – just not enough people buying food from the provider – CSAC will have to contribute aprox \$700 – ideas of better location for the food station to be set up at the front of the school versus the back to create more trafic towards it and make it more visible for all.

- Spirit Wear provider has been contacted to create a Spirit Wear line for the family and will be reviewed and approved – further details will come out on Newswire and School Cash online – goal is to have them delivered for Christmas.

4. Fundraising Initiative: Poinsettias

Due date with provider is Nov 18. numbers of orders are still low – Andrea to send email reminders each week until closing date to encourage any last minute orders to come in – distribution would be on Christmas Craft Night – Dec 4, 2023

5. Greenway Updates: Halloween Dance needs chaperones, PA day Camp for Nov 13 is open for registration and the Winter Break cam – Jan 2 – 5, 2024 is also open for registration – all details sent on the email and will be distributed via email to the school families on the weekly reminders and special emails.

6. Next meetings – Dec 4, 2023 – 5pm to 6pm at CTK with the Christmas Craft night and distribution of Ponsettias.



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