



MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2024

(1800-2000h)

Divine Mercy Learners Common

Present: Shelagh De Rossi (Chair), Tommias Ksiazek (Co-Vice Chair), Tania Nieto (Treasurer), Amy Cooper (Principal), and Lindsey Fowler (Vice Principal).

Regrets: Andre Santos (Co-Vice Chair), Innocent Madawo (Secretary), and Chelsea Dustin (Fundraising Director).

Meeting called to Order: 1800h

Past minutes: Bethany Eldon and seconded: Sundeep Virk

Adopt minutes: Suliha Mukhfar-Lasisi; Jasmine Aulakh

Divine Mercy School Council Meeting Minutes			
Agenda Item	Time	Notes	Presenter
Meet & Greet	5:30pm	Light supper served for those present	N/A
Welcome and Land Acknowledgement	6:00pm	Completed.	Principal
Prayer	6:05pm	Completed.	Vice Principal
Round Table Introductions	6:08pm	Completed.	All
Principal's Update	6:10-6:40 pm	- See attached: - Reviewed Oct/Nov Activities - Reading Rockstars: 16 people currently	

		• \$700 for Candy Sales for Grade 6; November 29 Hot Dog Sales to go towards Camp. Solid plan that Grade 6's will go to camp for FREE this year and will not require Casino money this year. • Halloween Hop: was a success and would like to have this as a recurring event. • PD Day (November 01, 2024) developed DM developed the new Mission Statement: The mission of Divine Mercy School is to provide Catholic Education that inspires students to become kind, inclusive, and confident individuals who spread God's love. Next steps: vision, charism (potential: trust), motto (potential: Jesus, I trust in you), etc. • Reviewed upcoming events • Dream Builders Challenge (CBC): give funds to schools and families in need. Collect money for this organization: Goal: \$5.00/child = \$2500 from the school. Two events: Break a Rule Day & (other?) • Christmas Concert (2 Days): Kinders (92 kids) are all day on Dec 16 – afternoon 1300h concert for the parents – family Christmas fun day. Dec 17 (1330h concert – 4 tickets; evening 2 tickets per child). • Shared 2024-2025 Budget (see attached)	M
Helping Hands Information	6:47pm	• Halloween Hop: October 31, 2024 • Mitten Match Up – United Way: To launch – Mrs. Clarkson to combine Social Justice project for socks, toques and mitts. • Tools for School: on-going over the year with the big drive at year end. • Email to go out this week to develop the committee and events.	
Proposed Events: Hosted/Sponsored by School Council	6:55pm	• February: Valentine's Week – Teacher's Appreciation is the next event. March 04 Shrove. • Winter Carnival: need to get this started now	

		• WC: Will need volunteers prior to, and day of. Potential to increase fee for this year (\$5/person orig. but could have increased this because of the number of activities). School supports this as an endeavour and will require a huge event. • Lindsey stated that there is a potential for a grant (i.e. Bonne h'omme, cabane a sucre). • School Council to work with School to develop event and solicit volunteer base • Carnival Date: Thursday, February 13, 2025 – Valentine's Themed (can use Learner's Common for Committees/planning) • Planning Committee: December 5, 2024 at 5:00pm (Learner's Common) – Canva Invite (Tommias FB/ Amy IG)	M
Supervision during Recess due to theft	6:40pm	• Brought forward from a parent. • Shared the scenario with those present of incident that occurred on Nov 13/24, as same was recorded at the DMCS park. Has spoke with the parents. Staff have been advised to do a sweep post-supervision and to put all items in "Lost and Found". • May be an isolated event, and this extra supervision may not be needed at this time. • Volunteers needed for Poinsettias. Healthy Hunger Volunteers 1-4 people/lunch) (1130 about 1 hour). It has been much more organized this year. A system has been developed. Tomi offered her help for the next lunch. Thanked for same. Grade 6 Camp funds no longer needed from DMSC.	Principal
Adjournment	Time: 1916h		
Date of Next Meeting	Date: January 16, 2024 (Thursday) Time: 5:30 pm		

	Location: Divine Mercy Learning Commons	M
Minutes Taken By	Tommias Ksiazek, DM School Council Co-Vice Chair	

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Adopt Last meeting: Jasmine Aulakh and Tomi Abiodun

Minutes for this meeting: Sundeep Virk and Jasmine Aulakh

Society Meeting Minutes			
Agenda Item	Time	Notes	Presenter
Commence Society Meeting	7:17pm		Chair
Treasurer's Update	7:18pm	- See attached. - Current, awaiting the Poinsettias funds not yet deposited, Nellie's fundraisers funds not received yet. - Expense: Halloween Dance (~\$700)	Treasurer
Requests from School for Society Funds	7:27pm	- On Agenda - Only need \$30,000 in technology (March 2025 for June) reduced from \$40,000 which was the original request. - Field Trip cost reduction \$9500 - Christmas Concert sound/lighting/staging equipment @ \$3,000 - Whole School activity \$10,000 (Fit Set Ninja goes with Fun Day	Divine Mercy School Representative
Planned Fundraisers	7:24pm	- Poinsettia's can have vouchers (Amy) something to consider for next year - Need volunteers for plant pick up day of (November 28, 2024) and for distribution.	Fundraising Chair

		• Combo: Purdy's and Flower Baskets - vouchers	M
Child Care Costs	7:32pm	• Gory (from DMOSC) 3 hours (min.) Cost: \$60.00 per meeting; 6 children max.; Turner (DMOSC) if greater than 7 children. This would work out to \$120.00 per DM School Council. • School to fund dinners moving forward. • DM School Council voted for the School Council to cover the costs for childcare. Motion: Suliha Mukhfar-Lasisi; Seconded: Tomi Abiodun	Chair
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