

# St. Francis Xavier School Council Minutes of General Meeting

## Thursday, October 10, 2024

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**Meeting called to order** – 6:35 pm

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Present</b>
Principal Ferdinando Tantalo	Yes
VP Joanne Le Provost-Groves	Yes
Chaplain: Betty-Ann Pickett	Yes - Online
Teacher Representative	No
Student Reps (SAC): William Hung	Yes – Online
Claudia Molina – Leupolt	Yes
Shafqat Shan	Yes
Caroline Roach	Yes
Renata Kupresak	Yes
Airene Cunanan	Yes
Debleena Chowdhury	Yes
Theresa Magay	Yes
Karen Canlas	Yes – Online
Tim Kwan	Yes
Anjani Kesharwani	Yes
Rosa Rongrong Hu	Yes
Shaneen Cullen	Yes - Online

**Trustees-** Thomas Thomas and Stefano Pascucci  
Not in attendance

### **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Claudia Molina - Leupolt followed by the Opening prayer by Ms. Betty-Ann Pickett (Thanksgiving) and Land Acknowledgement by Claudia Molina - Leupolt. Mr. Tantalo welcomed the Community to the first CSC Meeting for academic year 2024-2025.

### **Motion of Approval**

Motion to Approve Agenda for 2024-10-10 CSC meeting.

- Approved by: Shafqat Shan and Renata Kupresak

Motion to Approve minutes from 2024-04-04 CSC meeting.

- Approved by: Caroline Roach and Renata Kupresak

**Student Council (SAC) Report by:  
William Hung, Prime Minister**

Events that have taken place since the start of the year:

- **Night of the Nines** – Oct 9, 2024 - Grade 9 student interaction day. Good opportunity for Grade 9s to mingle and meet SAC reps.
- **Senior Sunrise** – Grade 12 students attended the even on the track to watch the sunrise at 7 am before school. Good opportunity to get memorable photos, play games and have fun at the start of their final school year.
- **Club Fair** – October 21, 2024 – Mainly for SFX clubs to advertise themselves and sell some merchandise for funding activities. Students are able to apply and explore the various clubs.
- **Breast Cancer Awareness** – Selling Cotton Candy and Popcorn – all funds raised will be going to Cancer Society.
- **Oct 16** – Walk for Wenjack – participate by taking walks around the field in support of the cause. <https://downiewenjack.ca/our-work/walk-for-wenjack/>
- **Events during Halloween Week (last week of October)**
  - o Door decorating contest
  - o Oct 31 – Civvies Day - Encourage students to wear Halloween costumes that are in line with DPCDSB values.

**Chaplain's Report by Chaplain Betty-Ann Pickett**

- Chaplaincy is running well. Faith formation is every Friday after school.
- Guardians of the Rosary Group meet every morning one decade of the rosary. Tuesday after school they recite the entire rosary.
- Three Thanksgiving masses were conducted for all grades
- Grade 10 retreat was done in school with a Band in period 1 and mass in period 2 with a focus on Environment stewardship – how to be stewards of God's Grace. Everyone watched videos and played kahoots.
- Ms. Betty – Ann Pickett has been planning the Grade 12 IB retreat for 190 students talking about compassion and vocation. Vocare means to call to a special vocation or career.
- Grade 11 retreat includes visiting sacred sites at other locations – Buddhist Temple, Gurdwara and Mosque.

**Treasurer's Report: Mr. Shafqat Shan**

Treasurer – Report \$713.40

**Teacher's Report: By Principal F. Tantalo**

- No update at the moment

**Parish Representative – Julie Sadhu – not present**

- Nothing to report

**OAPCE Representative – Renata Kupresak**

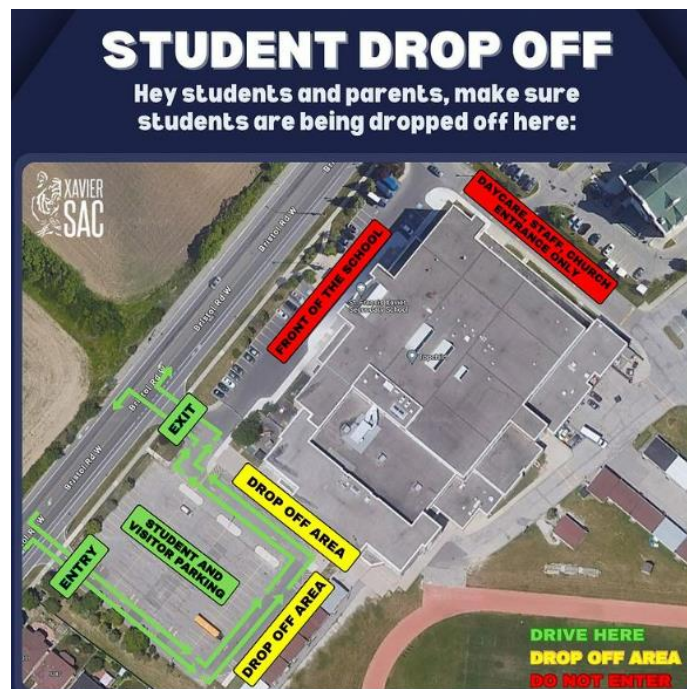
- Nothing to report

**Chair's Report: Ms. Claudia Molina-Leupolt**

- Nothing to report

## **Principal's Report: Mr. Ferdinando Tantalo**

- Welcome new VP Ms. Joanne Le Provost-Groves. She has been at various schools in Brampton and Mississauga. She used to work at St. Francis Xavier Secondary School and is excited to be back. She is here to make sure that the children's experiences are positive.
- Thanksgiving masses happened all this week for all grades.
- Grade 10 Retreat is completed.
- Students might ask CSC for money for Thanksgiving or for the Diwali Festival Activities and will be coming to CSC for approval.
- Peel Health will be attending the next CSC Meeting at SFX to speak to parents about Vaping in Schools. They will also speak to children at the Physed class.
- Vape detectors are still not in effect in washrooms. There is no ETA at the moment. There have been suspensions due to vaping. An anonymous Online reporting tool on the DPCDSB website is available for students to report vaping and the emails go straight to the school. Anonymous reports are encouraged.
- CSC to prepare an email addressing the installation of Vape Detectors. Will send the email to Principal Tantalo to send to the Trustees and Superintendent.
- Oct 30, 2024 is parent teacher interview night. Online booking system.
- Term one for Semester one is Nov 6. Report cards will be available online.
- Oct 23, 2024 from 6 pm to 8 pm - Post secondary Fair for Grade 12 will be well attended as two schools are allowed to attend. Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships and OSAP if needed.
- Special attention to Kiss and Ride drop off and pick up. Please adhere to the guidelines from school. Reminder to parents to be careful during Drop-off as Student Safety is paramount. Picture attached for reminder.



- City of Mississauga will conduct an assessment on the crosswalk.
- A Google classroom has been setup by Guidance for Grade 12 students and they need to be connected to get graduation information. OUAC is open everyone is encouraged to apply online right away.
- Courtesy Seating: SFX has 3 buses that transport children who attend SFX - those out of boundaries, in the IB program and have an IEP are on the bus. Courtesy seating is only available on existing stops. All requests are sent in advance and status will be communicated directly by STOPr.
- Ms. Gomez Franco is absent for a couple of weeks and a replacement Teacher will start on Tuesday, Oct 15, 2024.
- Report Cards are due in Mid-November – Email copies sent to the child's Student Board Account. Use MyBlueprint for transitional planning – it is a great tool for students to plan their courses and keep track of performance. If you travel abroad, you may not be able to access the report card and will need special permission to log-in. All these requests are sent to Mr. Tantalo.
- CSC Executive Council Nomination for the year 2024-2025. The following members have been nominated and elected for the academic year 2024-2025.

<b>Catholic School Council Executive</b>	<b>Position</b>
Claudia Molina- Leupolt and Caroline Roach	Chair and Co-Chair
Renata Kupresak	Secretary
Shafqat Shan	Treasurer
Airene Cunanan	Parish Representative
Rosa Rongrong Hu	OAPCE Representative
William Hung	Student Representative
Ferdinando Tantalo	Principal
Berta Byrne	Teacher Representative
Betty-Ann Pickett	Non-teaching Staff Representative
Karen Canlas	Voting Parent Member
Shaneen Cullen	Voting Parent Member
Wei Du	Voting Parent Member
Sameer Bhagirathi	Voting Parent Member

**Tentative Future Meeting Dates:**

Thursday, Nov 14, 2024 at 6:30 pm  
Thursday, January 9, 2024 at 6:30 pm  
Thursday, March 6, 2024 at 6:30 pm  
Thursday, May 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm

**Meeting adjourned @ 8:35 pm – Motion to adjourn Renata Kupresak and Shafqat Shan**