

School Council | MINUTES

Meeting date | time 11/8/2016 6:30 PM | Meeting location Saint Mary - Huntsville

Meeting called by Sandra Bauer Heniz

Attendees

Cheri Webster, Catherine Vanclleaf,, Trevor Saari, Jack Rowe, Katie Rowe, Michelle Gardiner, Greg Avdeeff, Ron Rawlins, Catherine Zacal

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Cathy led prayer for peace

LITERACY NIGHT

Catherine Zacal –

- \$100 approved for gift cards divided into 5 x \$20.
- 5 Stations - Lynda – OPP – reading books associated with her career (Richard's)
- 2. Kim Newberry – Snack station (Hallway) – pita, humus, carrot sticks - gym
- 3. Sarah – game and handouts for parents (in gym as well)
- 4. Amber from library – demo on ebook loaning – giving out books 1/child (Library)
- Sandra – With bookmark craft (JK/SK class)

-Discussion about the way literacy night will unfold – Determined rooms

Sandra presented a form for kids about reading that Cathy will send home tomorrow. Kids are encouraged to bring the form with them for the literacy night.

Cheri to supply glue sticks for the craft.

Time to set up in gym at 5:30.

Book exchange.

Carol Corriveau-Truchon will be there.

Michelle suggested a sign up for library cards

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES

Motion to approve by Trevor Saari and seconded by Ron Rawlins.

OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING

Lynda absent – no update on skis

STUDENTS REPORT

Jack Rowe

-If any kids have any concerns to talk to Jack

- Some things they would like to get – Sand equipment to make things in the snow.

-Pump up balls some are starting to get less.

- Some kids would like to get another supervisor out during recess and use toboggan at recess. Mrs. Vandleaf – said we can not get another supervisor not in the budget. Sandra suggested a parent volunteer to come during recess to help free up.

- Also our school would like to say thank you for the sports jerseys last year, the equipment.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Vicki forwarded bank reconciliation – Closing Balance as of October 31, 2016 - \$19, 438.00.

-updated for chocolate bar sales, but payment for chocolate has not come off. \$6900, credited \$1900. All in total \$4969.11. Made \$4767.29. Down about \$1000 from last year.

- \$100 for gift cards for literacy night

- Cathy to submit money for the balls.

-Earmarked funds for the sign.

SIGN INSTALLATION

- The board said no to the board for us to install it. The school will put forth the difference to get it installed.

- \$4400 plus sign permit. Quote for installation was \$5600 plus. School will pay the difference. Installation company will take care of permits, locates.

- Sandra asked if council will amend the agreement to have \$5000 set aside for this to include the greater amount.

- Will go for a limit of \$6500 – All in agreement

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Social – Greg

Movie Night – Can do two different movies- Primary/Junior and then Intermediate.

Date – Friday, December 9th at 6:00 – 7:30. Drop and drive.

Greg to do a popcorn order.

Fundraising (Katie)

Katie – Gave chocolate update above under Financing

Next event – Spaghetti dinner in the spring.

Talked also about having dinner during Education week in lieu of BBQ – Date TBD

Cheri to ask what the church has done, what they charge. Suggestion to ask Knights if they would consider making the sauce. Also idea for silent auction at the same time.

Property (Grace)

- Communication sign

School-Parish Partnership (Catherine)

Doing First Communion/Reconciliation prep is underway.

Family Masses are going on first Sunday of the month.

COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

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-71 unique views

- Sandra supplied a worksheet of the results from the survey

- The top two/Three are items to be purchased.

Ski Equipment

- Cross off Cross Country Ski Equipment, Outdoor Sports Balls for recess, Guitars – Chantelle Armstrong sent information about a grant for music equipment. Sandra to fill out and submit the grant proposal.

Outdoor Classroom

Mr. Romanow and George White have cleared the path. School has bin of watercolour, pastels, etc;

Cathy to look into maintaining the path.

Long Jump Pit

Continue to investigate with Mr. Scarlett creating the pit. Leave this idea for now.

Cathy to continue to find out if we can use St. Doms students to dig the pit.

Event Tents

Sandra did preliminary \$370 for aluminum frame, Amazon, steel frame \$180 – No prices include screening. Catherine suggested not getting it screened – using the sign.

Suggestion to get two tents which have two side walls each. **Agreed to put forward \$1200 to purchase. Sandra will investigate ordering them.**

Interactive Playground Wall

Will make it a spring project. Use the baseball fence to attach it to. Set aside \$800 and complete project in the spring. Will ask for donations from parents for the wall. **Sandra to circulate pictures.**

Technology

Discussion about holding the board more accountable. Over a year ago, started pilot with the junior grades. Last year we got 24 ipads. This year supposed to be intermediate. With the position of the board, many cutbacks, this program has been included. Don't know if it has been deferred or cut out completely. AS a council, do we try to supplement, do we be patient and wait for the board?

Discussion of current need for technology. Discussion about purchase of 10 Chrome Books – Motion carried to purchase. **Cathy will order the 10 Chromebooks.**

Greg suggested communicating with parents saying what the money raised is going for.

Stage Lighting

Stage Lighting – Spotlights on the floor of the stage worked well for the play. Will defer this item.

CHAIR REPORT - SANDRA

CIPC – Sandra gave an update on her meeting.

Feedback from the commissioning – asked about videos, webcasts for information.

Working on sharing of information from different councils.

Did provide – They were celebrating that we were receiving funding for St. Mary. Cathy updated that our school will have a daycare attached. More than likely at primary end.

Suspending parade float.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – CATHY VANCLIEAF

- Gr. 7&8 students attended school at St. Dominic last week where they became a Gr.9 student for a day on Nov. 2
- On November 4, Royal Canadian Legion was here for a brief assembly
- Tomorrow, Mr. Peter Sanguinetti will be here to speak to the Gr. 6, 7 & 8s about life living in Britain during and immediately after WWII, and then on November 11 students in Gr. 3-8 will be walking to the to the legion cenotaph to participate in the Remembrance Day ceremony there.
- Three – way conferences will take place on November 17-18 –interview request forms were sent home in paper and electronically - interviews will be scheduled
- November's Catholic Graduation Expectation is "A discerning believer" and one student from each class will receive a certificate as the classroom ambassador for that expectation at the end of the month.
- The breakfast program is up and running daily – students can come in to the front hall when they arrive - serve anywhere between 10 and 35 students through either breakfast or coming to the office for a snack during the day – food is being prepared by staff and parents
- Busy week next week with School Mass will be on November 14 at the school and will be led by sacramental students ; Literacy night on Tuesday night, the Rosary apostolate on Wednesday, interviews on Thursday night and all day Friday
- Winter activity forms will be sent out sometime this month for January & February with Hidden Valley, Arrowhead and then still working on a couple of other options
- Richard Howard is looking to start a guitar club again but is in need of guitars. –has given me a proposal to request CSCC purchase electric guitars

Next Meeting – December 5th – Adjourned at 8:26