

Saint Mary's Council ~MINUTES

Meeting date | time 10/5/2015 6:30 PM | Meeting location: School Library

Meeting called by Sandra Bauer Heinz

Attendees: CathyVancleaf, Ron Rawlins, Trevor Saari, Katie Rowe, Sarah Caswell, Anthony Asturi, Catherine Zagal, Sandra Bauer-Heinz, Neil Long, Grace Urbanski, Vicki Perentisis

Minutes Taken by Sarah Caswell

AGENDA TOPICS:

Meeting opened with reading led by Cathy.

Motion to approve September Minutes was made by Sandra and approved by Grace.

REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
<ul style="list-style-type: none">JumpStart Funding for skis and requested equipment - Has been requested, waiting approval	Lynda	Done
<ul style="list-style-type: none">School Communication Sign – contacted Hilltop signs and they had already contacted Cathy and were coming this Friday to look at location options	Lynda	Next Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Students Report – Sandra has put forward a request to Mrs. Baumgart and Mr. Foxcroft to see if anyone from Leadership team would like to be representative.		

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FINANCIAL REPORT:	Vicki	Next Meeting

Follow up required with Lorna regarding Financial Statements...has received up to the end of September

Not concerned regarding outstanding expenses for hot dogs

Needs to backtrack on past few year's transactions of money for agenda's...not sure the \$500 "parent involvement grant" was taken out of council account. \$1252.96 was last year's expenditures, and \$220.75 in donations were collected. This year's agenda cost was \$1210.73, and \$222.45 in donations were collected.

Anthony suggested that we have a future discussion about the agenda's...are they being used? Does it warrant the cost? Ask Cheri for next meeting, regarding feedback from teachers.

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Vicki wondered when the \$880 cheque for the Knights payment for swing was distributed? Was it paid by school fund or council fund?	Cathy	Next Meeting
Rolston's has been paid for lumber purchased used for Ga Ga Pit. Donation cheques were received from TD & Katie Rowe in for Ga Ga Pit.		
Approximately \$12000 Balance in Council Fund		
\$1000 has been earmarked for educational event to be used in this current school year.		

COMMITTEE REPORTS:	Person responsible	Deadline
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<u>FUNDRAISING:</u>	Sandra	Oct. 16
Chocolate bar sales under way....still lots of boxes left...money is coming in, more boxes going out. Will post permission form on website. Email again this week to ramp up for students, pizza party, prizes, etc. to try and get more boxes out. Sale is to end next Friday.		
Other Fundraising ideas??? Discussed doing another Showcase....Teacher feedback from last June was 5 responses, and supported doing another one again. \$1600 was raised. Seemed a positive experience from all parents, students seemed excited and proud of their work. We had "piggy backed" on catholic education week, BBQ and Book Fair, and it did not seem to impact the book sales. Council voted YES to doing this again next year.		
Kelsey's Night – Possibly in November	Sandra	Next Meeting
<u>SCHOOL/PARISH PARTNERSHIPS:</u>	Cheri	For Nov. meeting
Invite Father John to November meeting.		

<u>POLITICAL ACTION:</u>		
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Current CUPE "work to rule" started today.

<u>HEAD CHECKS:</u>		
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Cathy said there has only been a couple of cases since start of school. Catherine willing to do one before Christmas, but needs another volunteer with her to check names. Would like to pick a day, and then get as many done before 1 st recess focusing on JK-Grade 3.	Catherine	December
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Action – No current items. Cathy has sent classroom site plan that is part of Mr. Foxcroft’s initiatives of the outdoor classroom. | Cathy | ? |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bussing Problems – 3 buses still cutting is close to the 8:45am arrival time. Has spoken to scheduler of transportation and they are working to correct these issues. | Cathy | ASAP |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ga Ga Pit for playground currently being constructed by volunteers | Sandra | Next week |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climbing Equipment- Lynda had submitted to council a picture of equipment and approximate price of \$18000 (not incl. installation) from Henderson’s...but has not been getting any replies from company, therefore her recommendation would be to not go with them. Sandra looked into Crozier, and has been given quotes on various equipment so that 3 pieces will go into the space that has been allocated. Council voted on 3 climbing pieces that price out to a total of \$9493 in materials. We are to receive \$5000 from the School Board. Chris Maw is willing to donate his time for installation, and council will pay for other expenses ie; fuel. Hoping for an estimate from Chris on what this might amount to. | Sandra | Done |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climbing Equipment Ordered & Installation- Cathy will put site plan forward to Board with contractor information and 3 options/quotes of equipment, before the desired equipment can be ordered. Target date is next Friday for submission. We are hopeful to have equipment in before winter, but procedures must be followed. | Cathy | Oct. 16 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational Experiences – There has been \$1000 reserved for 2015/16 school year to fund an educational program...Cheri to advise teachers and see if there are any requests. | Cheri | Dec |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Enrichment – Options discussed for possible dance portion to be added to phys ed curriculum. Cathy looking into Dance Academy. Anthony looking into Dance Project. Grace looking into Northern Lights Steel Orchestra. | Cathy / Anthony / Grace | Next mtg. |

CHAIR REPORT:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant Approved to host a Family Health & Wellness Night. Cathy to verify amount of money...approx. \$900, also to list parameters for the event. Need to brainstorm for ideas, approach gyms / yoga studios? When to hold? Will discuss more at Nov. meeting. | Cathy / Council | Nov. mtg. |
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- Saint Mary's Family Tree – More pictures have been sent in. Will do an email blast to let families they can send in new photos if they wish.
 - Council Voted YES to go ahead with purchase of St. Mary's Angel plaque for Mrs. Bastedo and a token gift of an angel for her to keep. Sandra Done
 - Shorts & Jerseys – Have been priced at \$30 a set from Inaria. Would like to purchase 20 for boys and 20 for girls. Total price of \$1200. Need to confirm that Logos are on shirts of the school. Council voted YES to go ahead with new uniforms. There was discussion whether there could be cheaper options, but if wanting to get them to be used this season, a decision needed to be made. Anthony to touch base with Monica about ordering the uniforms. Anthony ASAP
 - Float for Santa Claus Parade – Had a discussion with who was present on whether or not to do a float this year. Parade is on Friday Nov. 27th. Need more help...same people decorating and take down afterwards. Discussed other ideas, such as having a Bus, or simpler ideas for decorations. Approach Campbell's for bus? Cheri to ask staff their input on float for parade...can anyone commit to having students help decorate? Decided we have some time and will defer decision on having a float or not to next meeting. Sandra Nov. mtg.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Held first school mass last week at the church.
- Next mass will be on Tues. Oct. 28th with the help of grade 4/5's.
- Mr. Howard started guitar club...kids did responses during the mass
- Terry Fox school run occurred – unsure of total amount raised at this time.
- The Knights did a great job with the Sept. school BBQ
- This week is Fire Prevention Week...expecting a drill at some point.
- Started Transition activities for grades 7/8...there is a Grade 9 day coming up soon
- Halloween – doing the same type of program as last year, with different activities being held in each classroom and then classes rotate through.

Monday November 2nd is next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

