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Saint Mary's School Council Meeting #2

November 28, 2022 6:00 pm

Participants: Barb Heeneman, Ally Matson, Cheri Webster, Angela Feltis, Ashley Dennis

Regrets: Gloria Lovo, Jen Balceiro, Sonya Martins, Nicole McGrath

Please read:

[October 3 CSCC Meeting Minutes](#)

Please bring: n/a

	Agenda Items	Action
1	Welcome & Opening Prayer	B. Heeneman
2	Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">(Oct 3)	Motion to approve the minutes - Cheri Second - Ange Minutes approved
3	Review Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- approve agenda	Motion to approve the agenda - Ashley Second - Ally Agenda approved
4	Parent Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundraising Successful Laura Secord Fall Fundraiser	<u>Feedback:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Positive response to Laura Secord (Use again next year)- Thank you to council members for handing out Chocolates- September suggested for next falls fundraiser (Spaced from Halloween)- Tickets to be won for prizes showcased on display- 4 Prizes purchased and 1 donated by Council Chair - Jen Balceiro- Cheri will make up the prize tickets for students- Ally to contact remaining parents for chocolate funds due- Count money Ange & Ashley on Tues. Jen and Ashley on Weds.- Chocolate funds raised to be determined <u>Spring Fundraiser ideas:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Easter in mind (April 10)- Discuss for next meeting come with ideas- Veseys Bulbs - not available this year- Don's Bakery (Profits 25%)- usually this is the Gr 8 fundraiser- Ashley will contact Ericka's (Dwight Bakery)
5	Principal Report:	See attached below
6	Financial Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening Balance• Backstop Repair Quote• Cutting Edge spirit wear• Cost for Prizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Opening Balance (see page 4)-Pat Lalonde quote for baseball backstop repair \$ 3,003.00-Money raised for a bench in the peace garden \$277.00-Walmart prizes purchased by Jen Balceiro \$69.79
7	Adjournment	7:00 pm Motion to adjourn - Ange Second - Cheri
10	Closing Prayer	B. Heeneman

Meeting # 3 - Monday February 6, 2023 @ 6:00 pm **Postponed to March 6, 2023**

Meeting #4 - Monday April 3, 2023 @ 6:00 pm Meeting # 5 - Monday May 29, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

Principal's Report:

Enrollment:

- Our current enrollment is up to 209.

School Events:

- Terry Fox: Congratulations to our entire school community for supporting our Terry Fox event. We raised a total of \$1705 for cancer research. Thank you to Ms. Payne and her helpers for coordinating this event.
- Gr 7 & 8 Immunizations: The Health Unit attended the school on November 9 for Grade 7 & 8 Immunizations. The SMDHU will return to Saint Mary's on May 16, 2023, for the second dose.
- CSCC Chocolate Bar Fundraiser: Thank you to those parents who helped distribute the chocolate bars. Our campaign wraps up this Friday, December 2, 2022
- Mass: We celebrated our Thanksgiving Mass that was prepared by Mrs. Shisko's 1/2 class on October 11. We celebrated our Remembrance day Mass on November 8 which was lovingly prepared by Ms. Cartwright's 7/8 class,
- Remembrance Day: We gathered for a beautiful Remembrance Day assembly led by Mrs. Webster and her grade 1/2 students on November 11. Their prayers for peace were truly inspirational. A special thank you also to Mr. Foxcroft for creating our [Remembrance Day display](#).
- Advent Food Drive: Our Advent food drive is occurring once again this year. Saint Mary Catholic School has a long-standing tradition of teaming up with the St. Mary Knight of Columbus to fill Christmas hampers to those in need in our community. We thank Mrs. Webster and her 1/2 class for organizing our Advent food drive. [Advent flyer](#)
- Advent Mitten Tree: The Saint Mary community will work to answer God's call to help those in need. We are collecting new hats, mittens, socks and scarves to donate to others in need. Please send new items to the school with your child until December 20th and they will be used to decorate the tree in the front hall. Thank you to Mrs. Lewin and her 6/7 class for organizing this endeavour.
- Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week Nov 20-26: This year's theme for Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week focussed on Words of Kindness/Acts of Charity and Stronger. Better. Together.
- Gr 7 & 8 COS Leadership Camping: The Gr 7 & 8 Leadership Camping day trip to Camp Muskoka was postponed due to the potential CUPE labour disruption and re-scheduled for February 21, 2023. Schools that are participating are St. Peter the Apostle, Monsignor Michael O'Leary, St. Dominic and Saint Mary's.
- Christmas Concert: Our annual Christmas concert is scheduled for December 14 at 6:00 pm. Our inclement weather date is December 15. Space is limited so we are requesting that immediate family attend only. Families are also reminded to keep our fire lanes clear at all times as well as the fire hydrant on Hunter's Bay Drive.
- Battery recycling program: Our Battery recycling boxes are located in between our main doors. Please send in your unwanted batteries and we will ensure they get recycled properly so they stay out of our landfills.
- Drills: We have completed the 3 mandatory fire drills for the fall. We will have 3 more in the spring. Today we had an orderly Lockdown drill. We will also be practicing our Hold and Secure drill.

Playground:

- The quote for baseball backstop repair has been received. Total is \$2657.52 + \$345.48 tax = Total \$3003.00. As discussed at our last meeting the funds previously raised by our CSCC

were raised for playground repairs and improvements. Current funds will be used to repair the baseball backstop.

Spirit Wear raised \$277

St. Dominic Gr 7 & 8 Open House

- St. Dominic is hosting an open house on Thursday, December 8, 2022, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm for families whose children are in grades 7 & 8. [DOM Open House](#)

Athletics/Co-curricular/Clubs:

- Mr. Foxcroft and Mrs. Baumgart coached a very successful season for both the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Congratulations to our basketball teams for their great effort this season. Both teams improved greatly over the season and demonstrated fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship. Special congratulations to our boys' team on winning the NMSL championship. Thank you to our coaches Mr. Foxcroft and Mrs. Baumgart.
- Mrs. Baumgart and Mrs. Webster coached our Cross Country team. Our school did very well at the October 13 area meet.
- The YWCA program Girlz Unplugged is running for 12 weeks. We have 9 participants in grades 7 & 8.