School council minutes

Date: April 1st, 2019 6:30 pm Saint Mary School- Huntsville Note taker: Katie Rowe

Facilitator: Sandra Bauer Heinz

<u>ATTENDEES:</u> Barbara Heeneman, Greg Avdeeff, Katie Rowe, Cheri Webster, Ron Rawlins, Sandra Bauer Heinz, Julie Cochrane, Sonya Martins

WELCOME AND PRAYER: Barbara Heeneman

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Katie 1st, Sandra 2nd

OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS: See other items in committee/objectives below.

STUDENTS REPORT: Nothing at this time.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance in the Account: \$8,691.50 Committed Funds: \$8,187.36

Learning Commons furniture came out of the account at \$2,362.64. MaryAnn Smith will use the remaining balance of \$137.36 to purchase on lettering, games, extras.

Arts Enrichment amount of \$670 came out of the account for the Beanstalk Performance

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Social:

- Pro Grant- see Council Objectives.
- Catholic Education Week- see Principal's Report.

Fundraising:

• Family Place Night: Wednesday, May 1st. 14% of all dine in and take out orders from 4pm-9pm will come back to the school.

Property:

On hold until next meeting.

School-Parish Partnership:

- Father will be retiring at a date to be determined- possibly June.
- The school will be putting together a Spiritual Bouquet to present to Father at the April 12th school mass.
- Wednesday, May 8th there will be a retirement dinner for Father at the Church. 4:00 mass followed by a 5:15 dinner of Cabbage Casserole. \$15 per person. See Cheri Webster for details.

Pediculosis Prevention:

Nothing to report.

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COUNCIL OBJECTIVES:

• Science North – Science North is available Thursday, May 16th. Sandra to confirm program and time (possibly 6:00-7:30?). Volunteers will be needed.

CHAIR REPORT:

- Breakfast Program:
 - Sonya Martins has stepped in to assist Katie by covering in the kitchen often and taking on shopping!
 Thank you Sonya!!
 - Breakfast Program has an equipment grant of approximately \$800 to spend by end of the year.
 Council was asked for suggestions on what the kitchenette needs. Suggestions included: Griddles,
 BBQ utensils, Spatulas, Serving Spoons, Oven Mitts, Cloths, Towels, Storage Containers. Katie to purchase.
- Food Premises Regulation: No Update

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Our enrollment is at 215.

Thank you CSCC:

- Thank you to the CSCC for supporting our Learning Commons. The students are excited about how this space is transforming with the new furniture. Card from the school was presented to the CSCC.
- Our Primary to 2/3 students are looking forward to going to Beanstock this upcoming Friday. Thank you to the CSCC for partially subsidizing the cost of attending this play.
- Thank you to all the volunteers who helped drive to our hockey and volleyball games as well as our math and robotics competitions. We also want to thank all the parents who supported the school supervising winter electives.
- We would also like to thank Mr. Urbanski for coaching our hockey team with Mrs. Bunker.
- Muskoka Stageworks is scheduled for grades 3/4 7/8 on May 7 for Improv Day in the gym. Thank you to the CSCC for subsidizing this art enrichment activity.

Updates:

- We received a \$200 donation (\$25 fee x 8 students = \$200) from the Knights of Columbus in order to support 8 grade 7 girls attending the Opening Doors Event that is being held at the Bracebridge Sportsplex on April 25. We thank Mrs. Smith for supervising the girls that day.
- SchoolDay Training for office staff took place on March 28. Letters with a student specific 10 digit code will be sent home the second week of April. Parents/Guardians are asked to sign up by May 17/19. SchoolDay enables parents/guardians to purchase Food Orders, electronically sign permission, which helps us reduce waste as an Eco-School. A Home to School Communication letter will also be sent with this information. Our board will be using a new notification system beginning in September so all families are requested to update their contact information. It would be wonderful if the CSCC could help parents/guardians sign up during the May 7 BBQ as we will have Chromebooks available.
- Saint Mary's will once again be having the Hunger Meal on Holy Thursday. Help is needed with cooking the rice.
- Our Lenten Food drive is well underway. We thank Mrs. Webster and her class for spearheading this important food drive. The last day to send in donations is Wednesday April 17, 2019.
- Father Sercely will be celebrating Mass with us on Friday April 5, 2019. Our staff will be presenting him with a Spiritual Bouquet as he is retiring. We thank him for his service.

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- On March 27th our Junior did a great job representing Saint Mary's at the SMCDSB Junior Math Competition. We also thank their coach Mrs. Baumgart.
- There will be a scheduled P.A. Day on Friday May 3, 2019. Please share this information with all parents/guardians.
- Catholic Education Week Theme: Living as Joyful Disciple. Activities will include: Community BBQ & Book Fair on May 7, Rosary Celebrations on May 8 & Intermediates to Provincial Mass at St. Dominic on May 9, the Drama Club will present the "Big Bad Musical" on May 9, Walk for Social Justice on May 10.
- Saint Mary's is once again participating in the Race of the Readers. We thank Mrs. Shisko who will be taking the students to the event on May 7, 2019.
- EQAO Provincial testing dates for students in grades 3 and 6 were shared in the April newsletter. Parents/guardians are asked to keep May 22 June 3 free when making appointments.

School Events:

- Our Green team has planned Earth Week activities April 22-26.
- April 9 Health Unit Dental Team is scheduled for follow up appointments
- April 10 Rosary Team Visit
- April 11 Stations of the Cross @ 9:00 am (presented by Ms. Bond's 3/4 class)
 - Hunger Meal @ 10:45 am (bring cup, bowl, spoon& \$2 Donation to Share Lent)
- April 12 Mass @ 9:50 am in the gym (Webster's Gr. 2/3 class). All are welcome! April 17 Don's Bakery
 Pick-up Orders between 3:00 5:00 pm
- April 19 & 22 Good Friday & Easter Monday (no classes)
- April 22 26 Earth Week
- April 23 Hydro One Safety Presentations Grade 5/6 7/8
- April 25 Opening Doors Event @ Bracebridge Sportsplex
- April 26 Earth Week Community Clean Up (*Tentative Date: bring gloves)
- April 26 Leadership Spirit Day: Back to the Future
- April 30 Jump Rope for Heart Assembly@ 9:00 am in gym.
- April 30 Gr. 8 Trip to Niagara Falls Parent Information Night @ 5:00
- May 1 Family Place CSCC Fundraiser 4:00 8:00 pm (includes take-out orders)
- May 3 P.A. Day (no classes for students)

Co-curricular/Clubs:

- Thank you to Mrs. Shisko and Mrs. Godard for coaching our Junior and Intermediate badminton teams. We wish them the best of luck at their tournament.
- Drama Club is presenting the "Big Bad Musical" on May 9. We thank Mrs. Claer for working with our drama students.

Coming CSCC Meetings:

May 13th, 2019 *NEW DATE* June 3rd, 2019

Adjourned at 7:40pm