

**School Council Minutes  
Saint Mary's School Huntsville  
January 13th, 2020 6:30pm**

**Facilitator: Sandra Bauer Heinz**

**Secretary: Katie Rowe**

**ATTENDEES:** Barbara Heeneman, Sandra Bauer Heinz, Katie Rowe, Greg Avdeeff, Vicky Perentesis,

**WELCOME AND PRAYER:**

Barbara Heeneman

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

Katie to send out Revised Copy regarding 3 missed/incorrect items

Other than above mentioned; Sandra 1<sup>st</sup>, Vicky 2<sup>nd</sup>

**OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

**Soccer Posts:**

- See Committee Reports

**Approved Contractor Process:**

- See Committee Reports

**Fundraising Plans:**

- See Committee Reports

**STUDENTS REPORT:**

No Student Present.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Balance as of January 13th, 2020: \$12,793.82, minus committed funds of approximately \$6,000 for property repairs (this number will likely change as quotes for different areas come in)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Social:**

- NEW tentative date of March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Time TBD.

**Fundraising:**

- Chocolate Fundraiser
  - Two new deposits totalling \$900.55 (\$488.55 deposited Dec. 10 and \$412.00 deposited Jan. 10)
  - Plans for remaining boxes:
    - Chocolate Candy Grams for Valentines
      - Katie to coordinate. Sandra to help as needed.
      - Dropping the price to \$2 each.

- Chocolate can be purchased the week of Valentines Day, and handed out by volunteers on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - Chocolate Raffle (if any chocolate is left after Valentines)
    - Sell tickets for \$0.50 (or similar) and draw names out at assembly
  - Church (if any chocolate is remaining)
    - Sell the remaining chocolate at the Church. Price point to be determined.
  - OFSAA
    - Sandra to follow up with John Cowan regarding selling at upcoming events
- Spring Fundraiser- Family Place
  - Katie to connect with Family Place and set a date- aiming for April 22<sup>nd</sup> or April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Gift Cards
  - Sandra/Mary to follow up
  - Would be a long term fundraiser

#### **Property:**

- Soccer Posts
  - The Board may be removing the current posts and replacing the bench seats- we will hold off on any work until further confirmation
  - We would still like benches, goal posts and fresh screening for the ball diamond- Barb to check with the Board regarding these items
  - Sandra suggested soccer posts 6x18 in size- smallest in ground ones that she could find
  - Barb needs to submit the Project Plan for approval prior to us proceeding
  - Katie to connect with Ryan McKean to see who supplied the equipment to Pine Glen when Ryan installed
  - Sandra to connect with the 3 people on the Boards List of Approved Suppliers
  - Barb to connect with Laura/Fitzmaurice Brothers (they did work at MMO)
  - Katie, Sandra and Barb to connect via email regarding their findings over the next two weeks
  - Goal for these repairs to be done over the Summer of 2020

#### **School-Parish Partnership:**

- Nothing to Report

#### **Pediculosis Prevention:**

- Nothing to Report

#### **CHAIR REPORT:**

- Family Tree
  - Most of it is up, waiting on more family photos
  - Barb to send out another reminder in upcoming communication
  - Katie to post to Facebook
- Father Hogan
  - Father Hogan was out of Town and could not attend this meeting, but Barb will make it clear that it is an open invitation and hopefully he can visit a different meeting
- Strike Action and Student Impact
  - Please visit [https://www.smcdsb.on.ca/our\\_board/labour\\_updates](https://www.smcdsb.on.ca/our_board/labour_updates)

- This link is updated regularly

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

**Our enrollment is currently at 226.**

### **Staffing Changes:**

It is with mixed emotion that we say good-bye to Mr. Gravel who announced his retirement in December. We are overjoyed for him on this very exciting milestone in his life and would like to thank him for his contributions to Catholic Education over the years. Mrs. Black has been teaching the French as a Second Language program during Mr. Gravel's leave. This assignment will now continue and we warmly welcome Mrs. Black who has been hired as our FSL teacher.

We also welcome Dina Dowle who will be joining our EA team on A days during Mrs. Windsor's leave beginning January 13, 2020.

### **School Events:**

- Our Advent Food Drive was very successful. We particularly appreciate the wonderful donations that came in the evening of our Christmas concert.
- Our Christmas concert was well attended. I would like to thank all of the staff for putting on a great show on the 17<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful community event.
- The grade 2/3 class is now in the portable affectionately called "the cabin". Now that the 2/3 class has moved, room 118 is now our French Room so Mrs. Black is no longer having to go around "a la carte".
- Our Mass that was scheduled for the 15<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled for January 29<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Shisko & Mrs. Baumgart will be organizing this Mass.
- The Knights of Columbus held their annual Free Throw competition in our gym on January 9. We wish our students who will be moving on all the best at the area competition, which will be held at Saint Mary's on Jan 29 from 3:30 – 5:30 pm. The District competition has also been scheduled beginning at 9:00 am on Saturday February 15, 2020.
- The Rosary Team visited on January 8 the school for their monthly visit. We will see them next on February 5, 2020.
- Winter Electives are cancelled due to labour uncertainty. A letter was sent home with every student and it was also sent via School Messenger.

### **Children's Liturgy:**

- Children Liturgy has begun at St. Mary of the Assumption. They are still looking for volunteers to help with this. Mrs. Gilkinson and Mrs. Black have already indicated they are interested in helping.

### **Shrove Tuesday:**

- Shrove Tuesday is on February 25 this year. We are in need of volunteers to help mix, cook and serve the pancakes. Please let the office know if you wish to volunteer.

### **Transition Activities:**

- St. Dominic held their 7/8 Parent Information Night on Wednesday December 4. They will be visiting our grade 8 students on January 14 so that all grade 8 students can complete their course selections electronically.
- St. Dominic is offering a reach ahead credit in Food and Nutrition for students in grade 8 from February 3 – May 13 (Monday & Wednesday). Space is limited to 20 students from Saint Mary's and Monsignor Michael O'Leary. Students will leave Saint Mary's at 2:30 pm and St. Dominic late bus which will drop them off at the Tim Horton's off Hanes Road. Students apply by downloading the application form at <http://dom.schools.smcdsb.on.ca>. Applicants must also include a copy of their grade 7 final report card (June).

### **Athletics/Co-curricular/Clubs:**

- Intermediate Boys and Girls Volleyball is already underway with coach Godard.
- Our Robotics team's first competition on Sunday January 12, 2020 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School in Barrie. Was cancelled due to the weather. The next scheduled competition is scheduled for Sunday February 9 at Jean Vanier Catholic School in Collingwood.
- Hockey team sign up has occurred. Mrs. Bunker and Mr. Foxcroft will be coaching.

### **COMING CSCC MEETINGS:**

February 3<sup>rd</sup>

March 2<sup>nd</sup>

April 6<sup>th</sup>

May 4<sup>th</sup>

June 1<sup>st</sup>

**Adjourned at 8:10pm**