School council minutes

Date: June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 6:30 pm Saint Mary School- Huntsville Note taker: Katie Rowe

Facilitator: Sandra Bauer Heinz

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

**WELCOME AND PRAYER:** Barbara Heeneman

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Sandra 1st, Katie 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: \$6,947

Committed Funds: \$6,200 (Property), plus possibly \$137 for Learning Commons. Vicky to verify.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

## Social:

- Intermediate Fun Night- Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:30
- Intermediate Teachers have polled their classes for a list of games
- Victoria, Amanda and Courtney will all be there to supervise
- Katie to send out a request for Parent Volunteers
- Katie/Greg to get supplies and food
- Barb/Office to order Pizza

## **Fundraising:**

- Chocolate Fundraiser to run September 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> (BBQ) October 18<sup>th</sup> (just after Thanksgiving)
- Katie to place order and arrange for delivery

## **Property:**

- Sandra to reach out to Parents via email to find a local company to sign up with the Board to do property repairs
- We would like to get a total of all repairs needed and will likely have to do in stages
- Sandra to reach out to Parents in August to get sand delivered to the school

## School-Parish Partnership:

- Father Paul Hogan is new to our parish and we are very happy to have him!
- Goal to rebuild our partnership with the school- children's masses
- Cheri has taken over the Alter Server Coordinator role
- Barb will reach out to Father and mention our 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting date in the hopes Father will come to our October meeting.

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# **Pediculosis Prevention:**

• Nothing to report.

## **COUNCIL OBJECTIVES:**

Property Yard Work

## **CHAIR REPORT:**

• Sandra to arrange for MaryAnn's retirement Angel/Gift for the June 21st assembly

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Our enrollment is at 221.

# Thank you/Updates:

- Thank you to Grant Mantha and the Knights of Columbus for preparing all the food for our annual spring BBQ. The BBQ was well attended and we sold the most amount of food ever! We are thankful for all of the support from our families.
- Thank you to CSCC for organizing the Family Place Fundraiser. It was wonderfully attended and the cheque to the school was for \$547.85. We are thankful for the support.
- Jump Rope fundraising total was \$3211. We thank Mrs. Mitchell for coordinating this event. Prizes will be sent to the school in the near future and distributed.
- Bags2School brought in 440 kg of textiles, which translates into \$88 for the school. Thank you to Mrs. Shisko and her class for taking the lead on this initiative and to Mr. Mallia for helping to store it until pick up.
- Our Grade 8 Yearbook is almost complete. Thank you to Mrs. Smith and the Yearbook Committee for working so hard on it. It will be a wonderful keepsake for our graduates.
- Gr. 3 and Gr. 6 EQAO is now finished. Our students did their very best and the school as a whole worked well to optimize testing conditions.
- Track and Field at St. Dominic on May 25, 2019 was a good day. We decided to not paint as many lines and it worked out just fine. Students also brought their own lunch this year, which meant students, did not miss their events. We also want to thank you our parent volunteers who helped on the day.
- We are thankful to Mr. Romanow for rototilling the sand in the playground and also for bringing in the quail eggs so that we could all watch them hatch with great anticipation.
- St. Dominic will be sending their Tanzania team to share their experience with us. We will have an assembly on June 17 @ 1:45. Parents are welcome to join us.
- St. Dominic will be hosting the annual Spirit of Youth Breakfast on June 18. Ten of our students have been nominated by and invited to attend with their families where they will be recognized at this event.
- We had three students present at the inaugural Mayor Public Speaking competition on May 29, 2019. Congratulations to Ava W., Charlie K., and Natalie J. for having the courage to speak at this event. They felt very supported as the 6/7 class walked to the Algonquin Theatre to show their support.
- We received some Northern & Rural Funding grant for the Learning Commons. Items have been ordered centrally and some have already arrived at the school. We are grateful for this grant.

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# Staffing Update:

- We have one retirement this June. We wish Mrs. MaryAnn Smith all the best as she enjoys this new chapter in their journey. She has served the Saint Mary community faithfully and will be missed.
- We have two new staff members who are leaving us this June. We thank Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Micks for all their work and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

## **School Events:**

- Gr. 8 students will be leaving for their 3-day adventure to Niagara tomorrow from June 4
   6. We thank Mrs. Godard and Mrs. Bunker for all of their planning.
- The Gr. 6/7 and 7s from Mrs. Bunker and Mrs. Godard's classes will be going on a trip to Tiffin Centre on June 6 with Mrs. Baumgart and Mrs. Smith.
- The St. Marie Among the Huron Trip is scheduled for June 20 for grades 3/4, 4/5, 5/6.
- Our JK/SK class will be using their CSCC \$100 to purchase picnic supplies and a planning a picnic excursion in the outdoor classroom area.
- New JK & SK students are visiting on June 12, 2019 during our middle block. This will
  give families a chance to get to know each other, experience tabletop activities in the
  classroom setting. Snacks will be provided.
- Our Gr. 1 & Gr. 2/3 Trip to Algonquin is scheduled for June 13, 2019.
- The Hunstville Public Library visits are scheduled for June 25. The focus will be on encouraging students to participate in the Summer Reading Programs.
- The Huntsville /Lake of Bays Fire Safety House is scheduled for June 4 in the afternoon for students in grades 2 4.
- The Town Track and Field Meet is scheduled for June 11 (\*Rain date 13).
- Helping Hands Volunteer Appreciation event is being held on June 21 from 1:00 1:45 pm.
- Graduation Mass & Christian Awards is scheduled for 10:00 am Mass on June 26. The
  Graduation luncheon will take place at 10:45 11:25, which is during the first nutrition
  break. Our Graduation ceremony will start at 11:25 am 1:05 pm. CSCC is asked to
  speak during the ceremony. Thank you to our CSCC Chair Sandra Bauer-Heinz for
  accepting our invitation.
- The Knight of Columbus are having their Annual Parish Breakfast on June 23, Please help to promote this event as we welcome our new priest Father Paul Hogan. Tickets are available through Cheri Webster and all the details are in the June Newsletter.
- June 7 PA Day is a scheduled PA Day. There are no classes for students. Please help to spread the word.
- Report cards will be sent home on June 25.
- Last day of classes is June 27.

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# **Balance Day Time changes:**

• Our current Balance Day Schedule will be changing slightly for the 2019-2020 academic year.

# **Revised Schedule for 2019-2020**

Entry Bell 8:45 am

Learning Block #1 8:45 – 10:45 (120 minutes of instruction) Nutrition Break #1 10:45 – 11:05 (Students eat 20 min)

Morning Recess 11:05 – 11:30 (Students outside 25 min)
Learning Block #2 11:30 – 1:10 (100 minutes of instruction)

Nutrition Break #2 1:10 – 1:30 (Students eat 20 min)

Afternoon Recess 1:30 – 1:55 (Students outside 25 min)
Learning Block #3 1:55 – 3:15 (80 minutes of instruction)

Dismissal Bell 3:15 pm \*note later time

# **Father Paul Hogan:**

• We welcome Father Paul Hogan to our community. We briefly met in May and he is looking forward to becoming involved with our community. I will be meeting with Father Paul after he returns from his retreat to do some pastoral planning for next year.

## St. Dominic Update:

 Mr. Strong will be serving as Principal of Monsignor Lee Catholic School in Orillia in the fall. We thank him for all of his hard work and dedication as a Principal in the Muskoka-Parry Sound family of schools. Mr. Conway has been promoted from Vice Principal of St. Dominic to Principal for the 2019-2020 academic year.

# **CSCC Helping Hands Award:**

 CSCC will be presenting once again the Grade 8 Helping Hands award. CSCC will cover the cost of the engraving and keeper plaque. CSCC Chair will present at graduation on June 26, 2019.

#### School Garden:

- School will be purchasing a statue in memory of Mrs. Jenkinson to add to the school garden.
- We will also be purchasing some mulch and flowers to beautify our entrance area.

## **Coming CSCC Meetings:**

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Adjourned at 8:15pm