

Minutes from Parent Council Meeting held June 8, 2021

PART 1 – WELCOME, PRAYER AND APPROVAL

Call to Order: 6:31 p.m.

Attendance:

Parents: Andrea Minarchi (Chair), Lori Taylor (Vice Chair), Shelley Leroux (Treasurer), Laura Lee (Secretary), Jessica Koehli, Christina Likely, Tammy Bilodeau, Lauren Unrau

Staff: Ed Kucy – Principal

Opening Prayer – Andrea Minarchi

Introductions

Andrea outlines roles of council:

Chair

Vice chair

Secretary

Vice chair

These are elected roles which we would hold election at the AGM which is scheduled for September. Hoping to get out there first couple weeks of school and promote as much as possible to get involvement. If anyone is interested in these positions, contact Andrea if you want more information about specific roles. Parents can also find resources on the ASCA website. Contact information through PAC Facebook group or webpage within the Holy Redeemer website.

Other roles within council, volunteering for yearbook, fundraising efforts, Christmas in the County, hot lunch, concession for tournaments, bring and buy sale. If being on the council is not your thing, there are many opportunities.

Christmas in the County 1st Saturday of December

Need to book school Friday, Dec. 3 evening for set up and Sat. Dec. 4 for the event.

Ed needs to know dates required to be booked for afterschool events and evening. Ed needs to know

June 15 at the latest.

Lack of a person to care of yearbook for the school. This past year 2020/21 we do not have a yearbook. We used a company for the previous year and Angela Morin had great success with it. Andrea could get the volunteer in touch with Angela to find out more information. Teachers have been saving all pictures to google drive. We could accept any volunteers with a connection to the school (grandparent, family member).

Hot lunch coordinator needed and in school support to help with handing out hot lunch.

Ed says we are planning events, sports as if covid is not an issue.

Annual fundraising item - Read a thon (Lori Taylor organizing)

Lori will need to meet with the representative of the read a thon company to go over details and see what is involved. Emails sent to PAC with information. Paypal account where money would come in. Lori needs to confirm that info with representative. Everything rep sent so far seems to be great moving forward. Roll it out in October hopefully. Donation based not just pledge based. Positive encouragement to read. Get them motivated and excited. Possibly a Word a thon for the older kids. Reading logs within the school could be included. Not doubling the effort.

So much better going into the year with a plan. Granted this was a different year but it is so good to have a plan. Better having a plan as we may not have as much resources or help. One year plan or three year plan for items desired ie. New playground. Set vision of our goals within the council along with the school assurance plan.

Shelley brief talk about budget:

Fair amount sitting in the account right now because a bus sold a year ago and sold off band equipment. Those two things really brought the account quite high \$44,430 as of May 18. Just sent \$4,500 towards the assurance plan for this year and assisted school with subscriptions this year.

Items that brought in funds like Hot lunch, Christmas in the County, combo of concessions and tournaments were not able to run this year. Purdy's brought in double the amount of fundraising this year. Ed sent in cost for athletics and Shelley will include that in September budget.

School already set budget in May moving into next year. Can change due to student numbers changing etc. Ed said he would share that information as it gets closer to the new school year. At that time, there would be a more accurate amount for numbers and what drives our budget.

When discussing budgets at parent council every parent gets a vote.

Assurance plan is a plan reviewed every year with a three year window.

Ardrossan picnic and parade will HR be involved. We will need someone to take the lead on it.

Maybe set up PAC council booth on meet the teacher night to get the word out. AGM on September 21. Further info on HR website under parent council 6:30 p.m. start.

End 7:35 p.m.