

## Minutes from Parent Council Meeting held May 17, 2022

### PART 1 – WELCOME, PRAYER AND APPROVAL

Call to Order: 6:35 p.m.

#### Attendance:

Ed Kucy (principal), Catherine Cake, Laura Lee, Andrea Minarchi, Rachel McMaster, Lauren Unrau, Nancy Morgan (new asst. principal for next school year), J. Boisvert trustee assigned to Holy Redeemer

Opening Prayer – Ed Kucy

Treaty Acknowledgment – Ed Kucy

Introductions

Approval of April 19, 2022 Minutes –Approved by Andrea Minarchi/2<sup>nd</sup> by Catherine Cake

Approval of May 17, 2022, Agenda Snack Program to be spoken to – approved by Andrea Minarchi/2<sup>nd</sup> by Catherine Cake

### PART 2 - SCHOOL UPDATE:

Kindergarten students are participating in home reading. Field trip scheduled to Ukrainian Village May 27. Pirate day on June 9. Last day for Kinders is June 17. ARC spray deck with picnic and family for year end celebration.

Grade one had 17 eggs hatch in their classroom. Ukrainian Village field trip on May 27. Flourished in reading. Students are enjoying swimming every Tuesday afternoon. Thanks to Emerhald Hills Pool for all their help with swim lessons. Students great at loading off and on bus quickly on swim days. Swim lessons are booked for 2022-2023 school year. Looking ahead to a busy month in June.

Grade 2 enjoying swimming lessons. Finishing addition and subtraction unit in math. In social studies, they are learning about Saskatoon. In science they are on the unit of boats and buoyancy.

Grade 4 busy making toys for pretend toy company, Twisted Trio Toy. They are learning to be employees making toys powered by renewable materials. In math they are multiplying multi digit numbers. They are also participating in Track and field. They are excited for the overnight trip to Drumheller in June.

Grade 5 – Welcomed their new teacher Mrs. Reid. In math, they are learning decimal and fractions. They began a new novel study and they are also attending the overnight trip to Drumheller.

Grade 6 students are working hard to prepare for Provincial Achievement tests. They have an upcoming field trip to Aviation Museum.

Grade 7 just completed a writing workshop.

Grade 8 students are working on the unit isolation and adaptation in Japan. The grade farewell is scheduled June 17.

### Administration Report – Ed Kucy

- Staff and admin working together on Assurance plan and talking about wish lists.
- Miss Fisher no longer with us. Mrs Reid back from maternity leave
- New available positions listed for grade 2, grade 6 and music.
- Assurance plan –Added staff comments and parent comments. Data analysis portion will not be included in next year’s plan. Something they would like to work on is engagement in our school community. Example - Having parents in to read or volunteer. Wellness talks not only for students. Events at OLPH.
- Wishlist for teachers provided:
  - Colour coding:
  - Yellow-in progress
  - Green-done
  - Orange-to be reviewed
  - Blue row-people not signed up yet
  - Everything on wishlist aligns with assurance plan.
- Subscriptions Lexia may not benefit the student every year but over the course of years attended students will benefit at one time or another. Nancy Morgan is at CLS literacy dept. – creating a resource list. They look at longevity and how the resource going to be sustainable for years to come. School is spending roughly \$7800 on subscriptions. Will discuss Subscriptions further next month.
- Track and Field in house on Thursday. Rain tomorrow and all day Thursday. Cannot go to SAP.
  - Q: Can kids still qualify for Provincials if we have it at school?
  - A: Kids can qualify to K of C even if we do it here.
  - Q: Will transportation fees for track and field still be requested?
  - A: No other room for another date prior to EICS K of C competition Tuesday

Ed requests move to percentage type model for PAC contribution. Helps with planning budget.

Areas: Community Engagement, faith integration, systemic wellness, etc.

PAC can put something together by next meeting.

Q: what are the available teacher positions for next year?

A: 0.4 music, 0.75 grade 6, 0.5 grade 2, Brant D. will focus on inclusive learning and grade 7/8 classrooms, Nancy Morgan will teach grade 3 and be the new assistant principal.

Survey for options back from families. Gone to the teachers asking for their passion for assignment.

Looking at opportunities within our community for 2023 for academy possibilities

### Trustee Report – J. Boisvert

- SPICE retreat was held. All principals attended.
- Budget – going to be tight this year. Surplus to spend this year but next year won't have one. Budget approved on May 26.
- Beautiful new gym at EPK. 2.8 million
- REAL foundation golf tournament upcoming. Unsure of date.
- GRACE summit being held May 30
- Awards – find out recipients on next meeting – outstanding teacher, religious program, spirit award etc., Brianna Fisher nominated
- CPAC meeting coming up before the end of the year

Q: New curriculum how will teachers be supported

A: We will do what we have to. Find support for teachers. Teachers coming into CLS for training for k-3 for all three core areas. Resources being collectively worked on. Professional learning throughout the year. Central Learning Service will be supporting teachers. Strongly recommend piloting 4-6 curriculum. Beneficial for funding.

- We welcomed our first Ukrainian student at St. Nicholas.

### PART 3 – PAC Projects

As of April 30 balance is \$46,321.00

Soccer nets: Emailed about soccer nets. Haven't heard back. We have two soccer posts. No need for posts

Backboards and scooter rack – Ed will call and let PAC know in June

Buddy Bench – just need a fresh coat of paint

Sensory Paths – Rachel M. will find out cost for that

Q: Is there a possibility for PAC to support Packs for classrooms in case of fire alarm for kids. Blankets in a bag on a hook by the door that the teacher could grab. Muster point by the baseball diamonds. A couple of blankets in a bag. Something to look at next year.

DQ Coupons (ice cream day) – Only have six coupons for free dilly bars/ice cream cake. Will cost too much to cover rest of cost for dilly bars for whole school. Laura will get boxes of dilly bars to the school and they can be used for Spin to Win prizes.

Snack Program - Has to be ended two weeks early. Usually runs to June 17. Funds to run to the beginning of June would cost \$500-\$1000.

**Vote to contribute \$1000 towards nutrition program**  
**First approval - Catherine Cake**  
**Second approval - Andrea Minarchi**

Yearbook draft done. Increasing price for 4 pages.

Fall fundraising update – cow ready, holding raffle in the Fall. Need gaming license. May need to provide date of the raffle. School can't apply for the license. How soon can we pick a date in September? Any date. Do raffle before butcher. Costs for butcher fees? At next meeting, we can plan the dance date.

Teacher gift suggestions:

Italian Centre charcuterie board for next staff meeting  
 Ed indicates one EA only here in the mornings. Librarian may not be in the day of meeting.

Catherine Cake going to look at price for single charcuterie boards

Acts of Community Service – can discuss next year

Next meeting is scheduled June 14, 2022 to be held in person.

End: 8:21 p.m.

