

Minutes from Parent Council Meeting held October 11, 2022

WELCOME, PRAYER AND APPROVAL

Call to Order: 6:34 p.m.

Attendance:

Ed Kucy (principal), Brent Dreidger, Laura Lee, Andrea Minarchi, Lauren Unrau, Marysia Waritsky, Dean Sarnecki

Opening Prayer – Ed Kucy

Treaty Acknowledgment – Brent Dreidger

Introductions

Approval of September 13, 2022 Minutes – Approved by Lauren Unrau/Andrea Minarchi
Approval of October 11, 2022 Agenda - Approved by Lauren Unrau/Andrea Minarchi

Teacher report

- Kindergarten- growing a tonne, learning shapes and colours with rainbow day, letter sounds and blends
- Grade 1 – persevering, learning seasons of fall with nature walks, just had a meeting with Deacon Lynn and they are excited to about JU and Halloween
- Grade 3- embracing routines and developing independence
- Grade 7/8 – adjusting to the pace well and just had a field trip orienteering at SWC

SCHOOL UPDATE - Nancy Morgan:

- K – busy building new friendships, learning colours and shapes, sorting in math
- 1 – adjusting to full days learning new routines
- 2 –learning new routines
- 3 – settling into routines, discovering their own development as learners
- 4, 5, 6 – getting into routines, back to school normalcy
- 7 - adjuster to faster pace and learning Canadian history
- 8 - getting back into routines

ADMINISTRATION REPORT – Ed Kucy:

- Very busy with lots of events such as Indigenous day, school wide mass

- Catholic school review by Central Learning Services lasted 3 days meeting with kids staff and parents and admin
- Recommendations from the review to be added to assurance plan
Some areas to improve – pronounce our faith within community
- Held Collaborate Team Meeting. Three areas of focus – first focus is on social emotional behavioral needs of students. Next will be literacy. Third will be numeracy. How is the action plan working.

Trustee Report - Dean Sarnecki

- He has worked in EICS 30 years as a teacher and admin.
- New initiatives – new curriculum, school system responded well. Many teachers gave up a couple of weeks during summer to learn and better prepare. Funding consistent stable funding.
- Trustees had a retreat with Ukrainian Catholic priests and made their own icon.
- Next board meeting next week. Will discuss the Catholic School Report.
- CPAC meeting next Wednesday.
- Next Friday GRACE meeting in Camrose and will announce name of new high school in Camrose.
- St. Sophia hosted a welcoming of Ukrainian refugees. 250 attendees at dinner event. Sponsored by division and church.
- Contact: deans@eics.ab.ca

Trustee Report – Andrea Minarchi

Balance \$42,894.00

- o/s \$200 cheque for music theatre deposit cashed
- o/s owing for a/v install system – did preliminary install but more to be complete
- amount for a/v? haven't received final bill. Will not be received until job complete

Outdoor improvements:

\$670 quote for scooter rack

**Motion forwarded by Andrea Minarchi to approve scooter rack
Lauren Unrau will second
Approved**

Ed will order scooter rack and PAC will pay back school later

Outdoor stencils – Marysia Waritsky

Researched two companies online in US and Canada and they will cost \$200-\$900 for custom stencils

We can ask other schools to use theirs possibly pay a usage fee.

Ed indicates Holy Spirit just installed some last year. Ed will contact Holy Spirit.

Backboards for Basketball Nets:

Basketball rims in Ed's office.

Motion made by Andrea Minarchi for PAC to purchase two basketball backboards

Marysia Waritsky seconds motion

Approved

Ed will look into ordering backboards

In approximately November there will be a balance owing for Alberta Music Theatre Performance approximately \$797.50.

Hot Lunch – Laura Lee

Going ahead on October 14. Happy to have four grade 7/8 volunteers.

Co-chair position for Catherine Cake

Unable to contact about position

Yearbook:

Jess Koehli not in attendance. Andrea Minarchi will report.

Need to refund three orders.

Need volunteer to verify students' pictures to their names. Tess Guerin was going to ask around with teachers but haven't heard back.

PAC members could check the kids grade that they know of but we may need a teacher to do final verification.

Fall Fundraisers:

Beef Fundraiser:

Lauren will contact farmer. We should split into four quarters and cut and wrap is up to individual winners to pay for cutting and wrapping.

We have to use farmer's butcher. We will see if this can be a spring fundraiser.

Should we do our regular Purdy's and Fundscrip fundraisers?

Purdy's - \$1000 approximately fundraised in past

Fundscrip - \$1700 plus an additional \$500

We will continue with Purdy's fundraiser. Angela will kick off Purdy's. Will decide later on Fundscrip.

Christmas in the Country – Tammy Bilodeau used to be the person to organize. Andrea will contact Tammy to see if there is a spot. If there is a date available, book it and we can figure it out.

Bring and Buy sale – Christmas countdown dates? Need to check with Ed will check with wellness team to see if there are any countdown dates scheduled so far. Christmas concert/mass December mass upstairs and then downstairs for social event. We will set date for Bring and Buy next meeting.

Act of Community Service – packed bagged lunches for shelter. PAC would buy the supplies and students would organize packages. Andrea will contact Angela to get more details about past service projects.

Next meeting is scheduled November 15, 2022.

End: 7:42 p.m.