

École Our Lady of the Rosary School

School Council Meeting

November 23, 2021

In Attendance: Quorum achieved

Staff: Rob Coumont, Tamara Neiley

Parents: Megan, Nanci Lyn, Christie, Francine, Matilda, James, Darcy

Trustee: Dorraine Lonsdale

9:01 Meeting called to order

Land acknowledgement and opening prayer

Welcome to Dorraine who is Trustee now assigned to our school

Minutes from October 16 approved

9:10 Principal report:

Review plan for upcoming staff meeting PD day: Response Model Focus, Maker Space, Educational Endeavour, Speech Language Pathologist presenting on Assistive Communication, EA team meeting, Literacy-Education camp (review data from students and then decide on specific needs of students in classroom), collaboration teacher and education assistant.

Learning Disruption Grant Update: division received grant of \$242,550. Our grade 2 and 3 students will receive approximately 10 groups for 3 blocks a week for 12 weeks. The amount is based on how well students are doing across division and thanks to staff for supporting the kids. Start date and exact structure of support to be determined.

Winter Concert: each class performs a song which will be recorded and shared on school YouTube channel on December 17.

Advent Celebrations: to be taped and shared weekly on school YouTube

Parent Teacher interviews: 346 bookings. Fantastic turnout.

School Council Purchases: Thank You!

-Maker Space (each member of 5 person committee has \$100 to spend on items to add to space)

-PCC (Portable Collaboration Center) – beneficial for team learning opportunities. Can roll so students can utilize in learning commons or individual classrooms. Also has large battery pack purchased so that device isn't limited by need for plug in.

-Grade 4 Medicine River Wildlife and Tyrell Museum – virtual field trips.

Faith: 21 students registered for sacraments this year. 17 students recognized for receiving first reconciliation and first communion and 1 student for receiving first reconciliation during seven sacred

teaching awards on October 27, 2021. Gifts along with certificates will be received and a photo taken to be given to parents this week.

Supervision: 1 supervisor added to field, and at cross-walk in morning. Council members clarified that the cross-walk being mentioned refers to Ryder's Ridge crossing. Discussion on when/if a flashing light crosswalk will be installed in future. This has been applied for previously and not yet approved by town council.

9:24 Trustee Report:

Trustee board organization meeting held October 26.

K-grade 3 curriculum review in place. Division looking for parent feedback which was sent out via email and survey can also be accessed on division website.

Trustee board will hold regular meeting November 30. More information regarding rapid COVID-19 tests for staff to be provided to Trustees from administration at this meeting.

9:27 Treasurer report

Noting new to report

9:28 Hot Lunch report

December and January hot lunch will be available for order later today (Dominos and Taco Time). Council discussion if possibility to offer more than 1 Hot Lunch each month. Committee members working towards this as a goal.

9:29 Fundraising report

Several parents still haven't received their DFS order. There were delays at shipping warehouse and natural disaster near town where goods ship out. Unsure when shipment will arrive due to these delays. Projected to have raised over \$3,000 with this fundraiser. Final number to come in future.

Council discussion on whether to proceed with previously proposed fundraiser of selling Nexsource Center pass booklets. Council feels we should still move forward with this project. Should have info/order sheet sent home with students in about a week, so that orders can be processed, and booklets distributed prior to Christmas break.

9:27 Review of Old Business

Approval for previously discussed changes to Operating Procedures motioned and carried

9:38 Update on grade 4 hoodie project

Nothing new to report

9:39 New Business

Gulls Gift Foundation – we have applied for organization to provide funding for student Grade 4 swimming lessons

Train of Hope – Train will be set up in Gathering Area in school. Families will be able to make food donations (December 6-16) to this project. More info will be sent out in Week-At-A-Glance newsletter. School councillors to determine which families may require assistance. Last year there were many donations, and we were able to provide to all our families in need as well as donate extras to Sylvan Lake Food Bank. Council discussed possibility of accepting new unwrapped gifts (toys) as well as food during the drive. General agreement that this is good plan. No White Elephant sale this year due to COVID safety precautions. School has applied for and received additional food grant to provide for families in need.

*January 12, 2022 at 9am – proposed next school council meeting. Council members have no conflict with this date *

9:48 Closing Prayer

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!