



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 9, 2022 | 6:30 pm

In Attendance

Carmine Minutillo

Casey Wells

Anna Rand

Emily Smith

Alex Revell?

Shannon Jones

Marah Preston

Emelia Cutrona

Lindsay Devlin

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Shannon Jones @ 6:35pm

Prayer

Carmine, principal, began meeting with prayer

Review and Approval of Minutes

1. Emelia Cutrona
2. Marah Preston

Updates

1. Treasurer's Report

- The Open House cost for the evening was \$692.55
- The Halloween Party was around \$500 not all receipts have been submitted
- Parent Involvement Grant \$500
- Pizza for the Volunteers for the shade structure was \$100
- Nurturing Communities of Faith – Always been there
- \$8446.00 in the bank.
 - Year end field trips \$100 per class

2. Halloween Party

- Thrilled with how everything came together, many positive comments, it was a great evening and clean up went well.

Christmas Tree / Poinsettia's – Dec. 1 distribution

- Interested in feedback from the group for the selections and flyers that have been made up.
- We narrowed down selections keeping in mind sorting when delivered. We took off the 6" Pink and the small planter.
- Information sheets have been made up and different price points have been thought about.
- The Christmas Trees have increased in price, and we will still make \$10 per tree
- Look into if we can change the vouchers that are given to Children and customers will just show their receipt – need to email tree farm about the receipts.
- Organize poinsettia's by tables per class in the learning commons.
- Do we give gift cards for the 3 top sellers? \$75, \$15, \$25 what dominations will depend on what they have in store

Parish Report

- No Bake Sale
- Church bulletins could be sent home through email @ school including highlights and possibility of having a parish corner in the school newsletter
- Increase the community involvement to build bridge with the church

Teacher Report from Anna Rand

- Plans are on their way for the Christmas Concert happening Tuesday Dec 20th at 1:00
- Big Thanks to parent council for the structure
- There is a wish list from the Kindergarten Teachers- We wondered and talked about -(can we build some of these things?, ask families for Plasma Cars to see if we can get as a donation?)
- The kids loved the Halloween Night
- Connie Stewart has the iPad with all of the pictures taken that night

Principal Report

- Thanks for the Halloween night
- Thank you for the TUK donations
- Thank you for the Shade structure
- Wilton Road Traffic Safety due to speed and congestion- Flashing speed sign and police out for enforcement
-We should be using one side of the road,
- CUPE Job action update, New contract for EA's, ECE's Office administrators and custodians
-Imposed contract, they are negotiating and maybe job action
- S.I.P -Included Discipleship, Faith Present, Social Justice (this is demonstrated in our school in several ways-TUK, Terry Fox, Faith is woven in the fabric of school, we have the banner and the prayer tables in classrooms)
- Scholarship -Board is using Empower with a goal to reach every reader and Early Literacy
- Inquiry and curiosity drive the curriculum
- Stewardship- The goal this year is that all students have one adult as a caring adult they can talk to

- Multiyear strategic plan 5 year plan is all encompassing, including finances, curriculum etc. there is a 6-7minute video that we watched from the Director.
- Vanheyst Family sent a Thank you letter
- Advent Activities are beginning Nov.27
- Monday there will be prayer services
- The school is doing a food drive
- Jingle Bell walk will happen at the end of the day where the school walks and sings
- Christmas Cards, pass out to classrooms. The school has paper for the students to use still need envelopes
- The Remembrance Day service will happen at 10:45, Parents can come if they like
- Tuesday Nov 15 last mass at church until sprin and now Fatehr will come to the school to do mass in the gym.
- Friday November 25th is a PA Day
- School mass will be Dec. 13
- Roots of Empathy is happening in both Kinder Classes
- Pro Grants-Used for reaching out to parents \$1000
 - can be used towards any projects, led by parents
 - in the past several schools would combine money with get a speaker and it was held at Holy Cross
 - based on the need of the parents
 - Due Date for this is Nov 30th we need to apply for the grant
- The stencils are here if we want to do it before the snow
- EQAO scores are out

Open Discussion

- Stationary Bike- Can we bring in for students?
- Newsletter each classroom can submit what they did in the past month to go out to parents
- Last day of school we will host the turkey dinner for the whole school
 - Emeila has the list of food needed -9am start prep, parents serve the food , set up washing stations as students will bring a plate and fork, dress up it was a huge hit in years past
- Year book is happening
- Wall plaque for donations? Need to check with the board
- Lucy donated money to Parent council from the Yoga

Next Meeting

- Next meeting – Wednesday January 25th at 6:30

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned late, need to be out earlier for the next meeting. 7:30 is the goal!?!