



Holy Family School Council Meeting Minutes January 30, 2024 6:00PM - 7:50PM

Please note that if you would like to enjoy voting privileges, you must be a Council Member (parent guests are welcome to attend as always but will not have voting privileges).

In Attendance: Kim Spencer, Brittney Espinola, Cheryl Szombati, Ashleigh Spong, Laura Ferren, Shelley Vlasic, Ainsley Amalfa, Kylee Janisse, Shelby Anderson, Breanna Meza, Marie Teskey

Regrets: Mitch/Brielle Ross, Rachael Morton, Stella Sousa, Jenna Dierick

~Feeding the mind, body, and spirit of our children~

1. Call to order by Cheryl Szombati
2. Prayer offered by Kim Spencer
3. Welcome and introductions
4. Additions and Approval of the Agenda
 - All approved
5. Approval of the Minutes from November 2023
 - All approved
6. Treasurer's Report (Cheryl on behalf of Mitch/Brielle):
 - Positive balance due to Christmas Jingle Mingle event
7. New Receipts
 - Receipt for pizza to be submitted by Ainsley
 - Receipt for water to be submitted by Rachael
- 7.1 Report financials for recent events/council activities
 - Report provided below

- Motion called by Laura to move balance from technology fund to playground refresh
 - All approved

7.2 Financial update/account balances

- Unspent ProGrant from 2021-2022 - \$217.00
- General Fund - \$1,746.92
- Technology Fund - \$629.77
- Pancake Day - \$277.45

TOTAL: \$2,871.14

8. Standing Items:

8.1 Receive Principal's Report (Kim)

- Thank you from all the school staff for such a wonderful Jingle Mingle event
 - All families had a wonderful time
- We are having issues with the parking lot, bus roundabout etc. including a few close calls with children walking and vehicles
 - Pick-up is commencing at 3:00PM for the kindergarten children to assist with the congestion at the end of the day
 - A teacher will be outside monitoring every day to assist with any additional close calls
 - Request for a cross guard to assist with traffic at Sunset Drive and Parkside Drive
 - Any volunteers from Grade 7/8 that do not take the bus?
- First Communion
 - Thursday April 18, 2024 – 6:30PM
- Grade 8 Confirmation
 - Thursday February 29, 2024 – 6:30PM

8.2 Receive Teacher's Report (Kim on behalf of Jenna)

- Valentine's Day – Friday February 9, 2024
 - Festivities will occur on February 9, 2024, due to Ash Wednesday falling on Wednesday February 14, 2024
- Pancake Tuesday – Tuesday February 13, 2024
- Ash Wednesday - Wednesday February 14, 2024
 - Mass at 11:30AM
- Movie Night (Family Event) – Thursday February 15, 2024
 - Movie to commence at 6:00PM
- Winter Carnival – Friday February 16, 2024
 - Inside and outside activities
- Supporting St. Vincent De Paul over lent
 - Donations will be requested for:
 - New or gently used children's books
 - Toiletries
 - Socks
- Grade 8 Graduation – Wednesday June 19, 2024
 - Parent school council usually awards a Community dedication award
 - \$25 or \$50 (to be confirmed)

8.3 Receive Regional Council Meeting Report (Cheryl)

- Next meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2024

9. Business Arising:

9.1 Jingle Mingle Reflection

- We received very positive feedback

- 173 Students of 221 Students Attended (78% attendance)
- Class with the most attendance was Grade 3 – Mrs. Harrison
 - 19 of 20 Students Attended
- Grade 7/8 – 48% Attended
 - How can we encourage more attendance from Grade 7/8? We can ask for volunteers in Grade 7/8 next year to assist with stations and/or in individual classrooms (i.e., Bingo)
- Thank you notes – Ainsley to prepare
 - Sobeys, No Frills, Moores Farms, Starbucks
 - Hope (Photographer)
 - Gift card
- We raised \$1,860 from the raffle baskets (25 Gift Baskets)
- Remaining funds were all donations received at various stations

9.2 Pizza Lunch Winner

- Grade 3 – Mrs. Harrison – Pizza Lunch Winner
 - 19 of 20 Students Attended
 - Date: TBD

9.3 Pancake Tuesday – Tuesday February 13, 2024

- School Cash Online - \$2 donation
- Commences at approximately 11:30AM
- Syrup
 - Regular
 - Sugar Free
 - Gluten Free

- Pancake Mix
 - Regular
 - Gluten Free

9.4 Update - School Community Events:

- Professor Jamz – Wednesday March 6, 2024
 - Kick Off Assembly – February 20, 2024 – 10:00AM – Shelley to attend
 - Council Volunteers confirmed for Professor Jamz: Shelley, Cheryl, Brittney, Breanna, Ainsley and Ashleigh
- Fun Fair – Holy Family School – 5:30PM to 7:30PM
 - Considering having a Fun Fair at the school on a weeknight in lieu of “Pasta Dinner”:
 - Thursday May 30, 2024 (preferred date)
 - Thursday June 13, 2024 (back-up date)
 - Potential activities:
 - Face painting, dunk tank, petting zoo, cotton candy, fire truck, potato sack race, egg on spoon race, magician, lion’s club (food), silent auction or raffle (limited items [3 or 4 ‘big’ items]))
 - Motion to switch from Spring Fling/Pasta Dinner to Fun Fair brought by Marie
 - Second by Kylee, approved by everyone

9.5 Fundraising Focus/goal:

- Update on playground painting plan
 - Painters will be contacted for site visit

10. Items for Next Agenda

- Focus on additional planning for the Fun Fair event

11. Adjournment – 7:50PM

OTHER NOTES:

- Shelley paid personal cash \$15 to babysitters for this meeting

Next Meeting – Tuesday February 27, 2024 at 6:00PM

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