Catholic School Community Council Meeting

(October 6, 2025 in the Saint Matthew School Library)

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Natashia Schoenroth at 6:30 p.m. who welcomed everyone present and led the opening prayer. Introductions followed with Natashia asking each person to share a family Christmas tradition.

Present: Yvonne Sirdar, Trevor Redler, Natashia Schoenroth, Travis Massier, Alison Swehla, Sabrina Youck, Andrea Thomas, Jacinta Chandrasekaran, Amy Thomas, Kathy Clark (on Teams), Irene Esquieres (on Teams) Cassandra Brya, Vanessa Kohlenberg and Ebele Olasoj

Adoption of Agenda – Motion to adopt made by Andrea Thomas

Seconded by Travis Massier

Motion to approve last month's minutes made by Amy Thomas

Seconded by Travis Massier

Principal's Report - Please see attachment.

<u>Finance Report</u> – presented by Travis – see expense report attached October expenses:

- School enhancements \$75 cheque still outstanding
- Halloween Howl expenses were \$963.05
- Halloween Howl brought in \$2067.00
- Growing Smiles income will coming soon.

Old Business

- The school clothing orders delivered.
- Halloween Howl had 315 attendees.
- We will need some new decorations next year.
- DJ will need to be booked for next year. Alison will book Grant Edworthy/ All In Event Services
- Next year's Halloween Howl will be on Friday, October 23, 2026.
- Growing Smiles plants are being delivered on Wednesday. People will pick up at conferences. 72 units sold with a balanced profit \$317.

New Business

- CSCC Board Linkage Meeting Thursday, November 20 from 6-8 p.m. Is anyone able to go to represent the Saint Matthews CSCC? Natashia will see if she can go after conferences.
- Advent Reading Night supplies for diamond painting have been purchased. The activity will be done in the multipurpose room and reading in the library. Hot chocolate and cookies will be in the multipurpose room. Tables are ordered from the division office. Chairs will be

- added to the order.
- For Teacher Appreciation Week do we want to stick with Star Bucks or are there better options for showing appreciation for the cost as it is fairly pricey for a single drink per person. We could look at other options. Yvonne will survey the staff as to how big a deal this tradition is to them as we still want them to feel appreciated.

Upcoming Events

Advent Event – Wednesday, December 3 6:30 – 7:30 –We will mix the traditional Christmas books, cookies, hot chocolate with Christmas ornament diamond painting.

Stacey will donate hot chocolate. Sabrina will bring two hot chocolate dispensers. Nevin will donate cookies. Sabrina ordered the diamond painting ornaments and will provide the diamond painting pens and trays. We also will have some wood ornaments to colour as an option. Alison, Vanessa and Kathy are available to help.

Teacher Appreciation Week – Nevin will look into catering a lunch. We typically purchase drinks.

Family Movie Night - Possibly in March

Spring Basket Fundraiser – After Easter in April

Spring Clean Up – Students would likely take up the opportunity. Perhaps we supply a treat?

Summer BBQ – We can drastically cut costs if we cook the burgers ourselves. Nevin has a connection for a very large grill from Young's.

Next Meeting – January 19, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m. in the library. We will discuss what to do with the \$2000 grant from the school division (upon confirmation that it is once again \$2000.)

The 2026 meetings will be:

Monday, January 19

Monday, February 9

Monday, March 9

Monday, April 20

Monday, May 11

Monday, June 8 – AGM plus regular meeting with a 6:00 p.m. start

Closing Prayer led by Natashia Schoenroth

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes as taken by CSCC Secretary Sabrina Youck