

Catholic School Community Council Meeting

(October 21, Saint Matthew School Library)

Meeting Minutes

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mary Ellen at 6:30 p.m. *who welcomed everyone present and led the opening prayer.*

Present: Yvonne Sirdar, Mary Neal, Tammie Pettigrew, Natasha Schoenroth, Alison Swehla, Sabrina Youck, Andrea Thomas, Mary Ellen Mann, Nevin Dube, Stacie Kessel, Maria Zasada, Delton, Jacinta and Rebecca Ryan

Adoption of Minutes from September meeting – Motion made by Andrea Thomas

- Seconded by Becky Ryan

Adoption of Agenda – Motion made to adopt the agenda by Andrea Thomas

Seconded by Stacie Kessel

Principal's Report – see attachment

- Continued growth reaching 280 students
- A 4/5 class has been opened
- The kindergarten class has been split into 2 groups to run blue and green groups
- School goals for this year will include working on the process of writing and using tools, continuing work towards the reading goal and making Indigneous connections
- Saint Matthew will be a polling station for the municipal election
- Conferences on November 20 and 21
- Information Night was successful with about 70 people with presentations from city groups
- Overview of upcoming events and fundraisers
- A third computer cart has been added

Finance Report – presented by Andrea Thomas

Increased expenses to coincide with increased staff and student numbers. This change in the budget will be accommodated with the savings from the backpack night snack table and fall clean up expenses not being spent this fall.

- Motion to accept the budget with changes as discussed made by Nevin Dube
- Seconded by Natasha Schoenroth.

New Business

Mrs. Sirdar presented the results of the teacher wish list of items to request funding by the CSCC.

The group discussed purchasing Saint Matthew School pinnies for sports and team events with a cost between \$800 and \$900.

- Motion made by Becky Ryan to spend the money for a team set.
- Seconded by Stacie Kessel

Sabrina presented Fundscrip as a potential fall fundraiser.

- Motion made by Andrea Thomas to go ahead with the Fundscrip fundraiser with delivery by the first week of school
- Seconded by Mary Ellen Mann

Sabrina will get it started asap with the Fundscrip area manager to for sure have it wrapped up and delivered by Christmas.

Volunteer list for potential CSCC events, duties and fundraisers viewed and discussed. Initial listing of volunteers is listed in the attached form.

Discussions:

- Whether we would like to run a Walk-a-thon fundraiswer next September.
- Keep the basket fundraiser for this spring.
- School clothing to run again this fall with possibility of adding in plush blankets.
- Advent reading night – Thursday, December 5. Stacie is willing to organize. Tammie will assist. Nevin will donate cookies and Sabrina will donate and prepare hot chocolate.
- Mary Ellen will look into spirit wear options.
- Becky will get information about the plush blankets.

Other Business

Halloween Howl

The Halloween Howl is quickly approaching on Friday, October 25. Halloween Howl fees can be either cash or etransfer. Good volunteer turnout if everyone shows up as arranged. Lower registered numbers as of yet but should pick up this week. Stacie will organize the quiet room area. Tammie is set with the canteen items. Decorating will start on Friday at 1 p.m.

Closing Prayer led by Mary Ellen Mann.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting – Monday, November 18 @ 6:30 p.m.

Minutes as taken by CSCC Secretary Sabrina Youck