

Father Lacombe School Council MINUTES



Date: October 17, 2023

Time: 6:30- 8pm

Father Lacombe School - Food Studies Room

In Attendance: Maria (Principal), Stephanie (Vice-Principal), Shaily (teacher), Donna (STAR trustee), Claudine (School Council Chair), Jenna (Treasurer), Kelsey (Secretary), Parents: Vivian, Kaylee, Nina, Tiara, Cecelia, Gwen, Laurel, Leigh, Shantel

1. Welcome & Prayer

Maria. October is the month of the Rosary

2. Introductions

A few newer attendees. Around the table introductions.


3. Admin Report (Maria)

- **LIFE Framework Lived Inclusion For Everyone - follow up.**

-Maria explained how the Catholic teachings would be applied if such clubs were to be started under LIFE. 2 main teachings especially around Gender identity and same sex attractions.
1) God created us male and female 2) Marriage is exclusive, lifelong partnership between man and women.

-Maria brought the concerns from parents of the last meeting to Charlie Boucahrd (STAR Superintendent) and some changes were made to the LIFE Framework general notice to add clarity.

***Action: Claudine will add Summary LIFE Framework**

 Summary of LIFE Clubs

- **Bus lane fencing**

 - Fencing will be added to the parking lot side of the bus lane

- **New Playground**

 - 1 st meeting with builders went very well. Quotes and designs are being drafted. We need 3 quotes in total. It was discussed that if we have volunteer help to build the playground it could save us upwards of \$60,000. A parent spoke up and said her mother's school just did this same thing, and it was very easy and successful.

- **Flags**

 - Flags should be going up on the flag poles very soon.

- **Trauma Informed Leadership Training**

 - Maria and Shephanie attended Trauma Informed Training. They learned a more system approach to trauma

- **Learning Day**

 - Teachers are having a learning day/staff wellness and assessment. They will discuss some new goals for Star Catholic.

- **Staff Retreat (Friday)**

 - " Lion and Lamb" staff retreat coming up.

4. Teacher Report (6:45pm)

- **Halloween Dance 7-9:**

 - This Friday

- **Volleyball Wins!:**

 - THANKS COACHES!

- **Cross Country Event**

 - 3 students went but no placements

- **Orange Shirt day activities**

-Orange shirt day was very successful. We appreciated having the Indigenous Leader from Central Alberta come to the school.

- **Father Liju Visits**

-The new Priest came to the school and met with different classrooms. The children got to ask him “get to know your questions”.

- **Terry Fox Run**

-The “pep rally” in the gym before the Terry Fox run was well received.

- **Food Drive**

- food drive raised around 385 lbs of food for the food bank.

- **World Teacher Day**

- Teachers were acknowledged at morning assembly and given a treat during the day

- **Parent Teacher Conference on Thursday (Sign up!)**

-Parent teacher interviews are on October 19 th . There will be a Spanish interpreter on location.

- **Thanksgiving Celebration (Gr 3)**

-Grade 3’s will lead the Thanksgiving assembly. Everyone is welcome.

5. Trustee Report (Donna Tugwood)

*Claudine to attach Trustee Report

 2023 SC trustee report Oct 17, 2023.docx

6. Chair Report (Claudine)

A. Voting Elections

-Chair-Claudine, seconded, all in favor vote

-Vice Chair-vacant, Cecilia volunteers, seconded, all in favor vote.

- Treasurer-Jenna, seconded, all in favor vote.
- Secretary-Kelsey, seconded, all in favor vote.
- Communications-vacant, Leigh volunteers, seconded, all in favor vote

B. COSC meeting

COSC meeting October 18 th which will be attended by Claudine and Maria

- C. Parent asked if we could add to the next agenda what our goals are and mission statement are, and what are we fundraising for.

**Action: Maria asks staff what their wish lists are, and how we could fundraise for them.*

**Action: Parents to think about what they would like to see as School Council goals, Agenda Items, and Fundraising goals. Please email Claudine any suggestions.*

- D. ASCE grant money to spend, so parents were asked to start thinking about ideas and visions on how to spend the grant.

**Action: Claudine to email out link to board workshops.*

[Book a Workshop: Alberta School Councils' Association](#)

7. Fundraising Committee Report (7:25pm)

A. Hot Lunch - New Committee

- Gwen and Laurel doing hot lunch
- They are looking into the lunchbox program and gave details into how that would look and operate.
- They are just waiting on vendor approved lists to get started.
- There will be a “donate a lunch” option.
- The same portal can be used to do smaller fundraising.
- They are hoping to have a November start date.

a. Treat pop-up

-Treat pop-up was suggested. Leigh investigated kitchen permits, and nothing is required for low-risk foods

-Laurel encouraged thought into thinking of our fundraising goals and making a calendar for fundraising events.

Parent suggested having a fundraising lead again. Gwen volunteered.

*Action: Claudine sends Gwen contact information to form a fundraising committee.

*Action: Gwen to set up communication for fundraising ideas and volunteers, including meeting plans or emails. Gwen to report to board.

8. Treasurer Report: (Jenna)

-Nothing to report, no transactions, just fees. Closing balance was \$5,644.09

9. Closing Comments:

Thank you all for joining us! Next meeting November 21 at 6:30

Reminder that you can add items to agenda by contacting Claudine claudinebruning@gmail.com or Maria.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 7:53

