MINUTES

St. Monica Catholic School Council

Meeting held October 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: November 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

School Staff: M. McCallen (Principal)

Opening Prayer and Indigenous Land Acknowledgement: M. McCallen

Our Father

October 10, 2024 CSC Meeting

Present: Natalie, Tom, Carmine, Robyn, Sonia, Therese, Nilly, Marinha

Denise - virtual

Regrets: Elaine, Mike, Lorraine, Sam

Feb 13th Valentine's Day Dance – 14th is PA day

Agenda Approved: Sonia, Tom

June 2024 Minutes Approved - Tom, Sonia

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer: Sonia

\$2,871.27 opening balance

Some additions to be added

Treasurer's Report Approved - Carmine, Tom

Principal's Update

No reorganization this year

FT ERW in both JK classes

Mrs. Porter on leave

Mrs. Davenport hired for LTO planning time, SERT

Mrs. McIntyre – permanent hire for .3, 1 day one week and 2 days next week

Ms. Kell on leave - Ms. Adamo is teacher for Needs Moderate class

Enrollment has gone down by 36 students, 4 more in January, as a result we lost 2 teachers James, Prosper

Lost 1.4 teachers

School maintenance – painted outside doors etc, new walkie talkies, library blinds, gym mats ordered, field being done, 4 new soccer nets coming, plan to remove all portables and pave over that area

Bussing and Kiss and Ride – doing better this year

Scholastic Book Fair – Parents would like to see more Christian content

Curriculum – math facilitator, EQAO.COM, working on computational literacy

Gr 1-8 working on process writing

JK/SK decoding and phonics, literacy kits, PM benchmarks

Science

Primary – Scientist in the School

Juniors/Intermediates - Science Olympics kits

School Events

Cross Country

Jr Volleyball

Boys compete in Family tournament

Flag Football – lots of students participated

Brave – conflict resolution, gr 5, 6, 7 – was not long enough to be impactful

Pakmen Volleyball

Indigenous Guest – Lacrosse for gr 4-8, will teach history and culture of sport

Cruiser Sports – wheelchair basketball

No issues with devices

Speakers have been purchased

Need mic and mixer

Budget – school generated funds \$3,148, school operating budget based on number of students, supply budget based on number of teachers

Pizza, patties, subs to start in November (Mr. Sub)

Budget Needs – painted 2 classrooms, plan is for few more classrooms to be done

Kindergarten yard cost will be covered

Nominations

Natalie and Tom co-chairs, each nominate the other, Sonia second

Secretary - Robyn nominated by Natalie, second Sonia

Treasurer - Natalie nominated Sonia, seconded by Tom

Parish Rep - Natalie nominated Marinha, seconded by Tom

OAPCE/DRAPCE - Sonia nominated Carmine, Natalie second

By-law says maximum 12 voting members – will revise to increase number of members – motion by Sonia, second by Tom to increase to 15 voting members

Purpose of council – advisory council, voice of parents

Uniform - will be on next agenda

Fundraisers

Option: Letter from parent council to the community – request donation of \$50 - in lieu of a fall fundraiser. Would count as one of the three fundraisers allowed.

Will vote on fundraising ideas via email - Natalie to send out email

Tom: motion for 3 fundraisers, Sonia second

\$1,000 for grade 8 grads – motion by Natalie, Carmine second

Sewing Studio for Black History Month – sewing kits, teach all kids how to sew – \$4,600

Asking council for \$3000 –

X-Movement – self esteem, motivation, movement – last week of school \$2,000, asking council for half

BBQ Monday of last week of school June 23rd

Christmas concert on staff meeting agenda – Principal to update

Need to keep funds for Pancake Tuesday and year end BBQ

Feb 13th need volunteers for dance to count money etc.

Need volunteers for Pancake Tuesday March 4th

Only 3 masses this year – last year was every month

Confessions in December for whole school

Next meeting – November 7th at 7pm

Motion to Adjourn by Marinha, second Tom

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Agenda Items For Next Meeting: fundraisers, uniforms