

St. Patrick's Community School Council Meeting Tuesday, November 15, 2022 5:30 PM

Call to order - 5:30pm

Prayer - Jaelene

Introductions/Attendees - Anne-Marie Watson, Jaelene VandenBrink, Mandy Reed, Alanna

Cellini, Dayna Dixon, Monica Sagan, Rosa Perez,

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to Approve Rosa Perez

Second Moncia Sagan

Approval of Minutes: October 18 Meeting minutes

Motion to Approve Monica Sagan

Second Rosa Perez

Reports

Trustee Report: Board Chair Anne Marie Watson

- End of September we get our official numbers for our school. RDCRS has experienced a growth of 2.5%
- If we have a decrease in population, it will negatively affect us next year and the following year, so we want numbers to remain stable or grow.
- 2023/2024 calendars have been approved and are available on the website.
- Last Tuesday of the month is the Board meeting, November is when audited financial statements are approved. Preliminary assessment shows a strong audit.

Principals Report:

1. Very successful Parent Teacher Interview Nights Blended model of phone calls and in person. In person was more popular so will reassess for the next session of interviews.

- 2. Indigenous Student Group Powwow Sweat
- 3. November 3rd Bible Celebration
- 4. Hot Dog Sale on Thursday, November 17
- 5. Alberta Skills Exploration Days, December 6 Grade 8 Class
 - a. Skills Exploration Days is hosted in the classroom but has an interactive digital live-streamed component to allow students to share their prototypes with peers across the province.
 - b. There are in-classroom Toolkist and Skill Kits that provide students with skill development activities that allow them to test new trade and technology skills.
 - c. In their classrooms, students will work in teams using the Design Thinking process to address a real-world challenge.
 - d. Using the skills learned with the Skill Kit, students will come together for an interactive live-stream to build a prototype and share their finished projects.
- 6. School Improvement Plan will be posted by Friday on Website. Conversation with senior admin went really well.
- 7. Outreach Centre November 21-24

Kindergarten	Feelings
Grade 1	How I Act
Grade 2	Empathy
Grade 3	Strengths and Talents
Grade 4	Appropriate choices and taking responsibility
Grade 5	Social Media, and online behavior
Grade 6	Bullying, Stress, and Friendships
Grade 7	Stress and coping strategies
Grade 8	Self Harm
Grade 9	Mental Illness and Mental Health

- 8. PULSE Faith Retreat Nov 29th
- 9. EDGE Middle School Nov 29th
- 10. First Christmas in Canada Date to be set on Thursday
- 11. Advent Mass at Sacred Heart on Dec 14 at Sacred Heart
- 12. Craft Night on December 15th
- 13. Next staff mass RCIA candidate Saturday, November 26, at 5 pm at St. Mary's
- 14. Christmas Hampers 34 Families being supported
- 15. MADD January 31, 2023

Unfinished Business:

1. Family Fun Nights

- a. Family Fun Night Feedback
- b. Craft Night on December 15th. Various tables set up throughout the gym with different crafts to do. Grade 6 Community Connections class will come up with the activities, as well as perhaps grade 8 Leadership.
 - i. Is School Council going to run a table? Run the table in shifts?
- c. Upcoming Family Fun Nights would be nice to see more parent involvement in the planning of these.

2. Coffee with Council

a. When would we like to do our next coffee with council? Friday, December 16, 2022. 4 coffee to go and 4 dozen muffins

New Business:

- 1. Christmas Hampers
 - a. \$1500 Contribution from Parent Council
 - b. 37 families being supported
 - c. St. Elizabeth Seton would like to support some of our families through their Giving Tree
- 2. School Council Engagement Grant
 - a. Wanted to give back the \$500 to Alberta School Councils as funding as been reduced by the Government.
 - b. School Board agreed for schools to keep money. Remaining at the school level.
 - c. Possible topics/presentations. <u>What is covered.</u> Do we want to pool it with other schools for larger events such as Jody Carrington?
 - d. Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant
 - Workshops for parents
 - Multicultural activities/programs
 - Events to support parents on local issues
 - Promoting value of the arts with parents

We need to make a decision on what we are doing with this money by December. If we do local to our school we plan and organize. If we pool, Shane Chisholm will organize, etc. Jaelene will send out an email to begin collaborating on a presentation.

- 3. Parent Teacher Interview Feedback
 - a. Parents appreciated phone option: breaks, multiple children,
 - b. Nice for parents to see student work in person.
- 4. What Makes St. Patrick's Awesome? We are beginning a marketing campaign to put it out there as to why St. Patrick's is awesome. We want to encourage year round schooling. What keeps families at St. Pat's? What makes us unique? This will be introduced to staff on November 25. Staff will take this initiative to their students as well.

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Announcements

Next Meeting: January 24, 2023 @ 5:30pm

- February no meeting
- March 7 5:30 pm

- April 4 5:30 pm
 May 16 5:30 pm
 June 6 5:30 pm

Meeting Adjournment

6:02