



ST. PATRICK'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



CSAC Agenda
Tuesday, September 10, 2024
5:00 pm

Present - Christina D, James W, Nicki M, Leanne S, Alison S, Lisa P, Anita N, Jess R, Jess H, Aideen M

Regrets - Amanda T

Prayer - For Parent Council

Welcome/Introductions

Agenda

- Motion to accept the agenda for September 10, 2024, made by Alison S; seconded by Jim W

Minutes from Last Meeting

- Motion to accept the minutes from last meeting - April 23, 2024, made by Alison S; seconded by Jim W
- Business arising from the minutes - nothing

Chair's Report

- read by Jess H
- Fall - donations from families \$2000+
- Spring - soccer booth - \$2000+
- Expenditures
 - Open House/BBQ
 - Halloween treat for students
 - New Christmas tree for front foyer
 - Annual Christmas lunch for school
 - Shrove Tuesday
 - Valentine's Day treat - handed out on Shrove Tuesday
 - Year-end bbq
 - Grad - increased payment \$350
- \$4100+ expenses

Catholic School Advisory Council - Positions

- Chair - Jess H
- Secretary/Principal - Aideen M
- Treasurer - Leanne S
- Parent Representatives - Jess R, Anita N, Lisa P, Nicki M, Jim W, (Amanda T)



- Teaching Staff - Christina D
- Non-teaching Staff - Leanne S
- Student Representative(s) - TBD
- Parish Community Partner - TBD

Treasurer's Report

- \$200.92 HST refund
- \$3982.55 with total \$4223.47
- \$1091.27+ in trust fund

Principal's Report

- Staffing - new teacher to Grade 1/2, Betty Q until the end of October when Karlee VN joins the school; increasing roster of lunch monitors; after-hours custodians
- Student population - 119; awaiting approval of a family
- Bussing - routes running fairly smoothly; essential that all families use the BusPlanner app for timely communication
- School Improvement Plan focuses on academic excellence and faith formation, aligns with the Board's Strategic Plan (2024-2027) and multi-year spiritual theme: On Fire with the Spirit: Awaken - Illuminate - Rejoice
 - Faith - expanding learning opportunities to ensure Catholic Social Teachings, Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations are widely understood and integrated all programs; Adherence to Religion and Family Life programs; FIAT as leadership group to put into action plans building on CSTs and OCGEs; faith formation; continued partnership with Family of Parishes
 - Math and Literacy - Our students will be in the top 15% in the province on EQAO assessments; fidelity to following Math and Literacy Action Plans and use of board-approved resources to support student learning and achievement; curriculum leaders in school to support professional development and support student learning
 - Attendance - there will be a 20% improvement in student attendance. Attendance matters - tied to achievement, particularly in math and literacy and the daily programming, readiness to learn; role of parents/guardians in student attendance
- To support plans - Parent Curriculum Night on Thurs Sept 26
- Student and Family Handbook - copy sent home to be reviewed by families to be familiar with board/school routines, policy, guidelines, including Code of Conduct, dress code, use of cell phones - Board's Policy on Student, Behaviour, Discipline and Safety ([P 2.1.5](#));
- Reference/ overview of School Generated Funds Policy - 3.3.7 and Catholic School Advisory Policy - 3E:1 - submit plan for SGF by end of October
 - The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board recognizes that funds may be generated at the
 - school level from a number of different and varied sources. School Generated Funds are to be
 - used for the enhancement of educational programs and to support approved school-based
 - initiatives that align with the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board's vision, mission
 - statement and strategic direction.
- Parent Representatives on -
 - Safe Schools Team (anti-bullying plan)

- Safe and Healthy School Team and
- Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) - Jim W
- Sports - bussing costs; no specific details yet to suggest change from last year... student fees \$5/ activity to cover bussing
- Playground update - damaged sewer pipe with installation of bench; in some communication with IMP
- Upcoming activities:
 - Opening school Mass - Friday, September 13, 9:15 am
 - Tickets to the Stratford Festival - Friday, September 13, 2:00 pm
 - School photo day - Wednesday, September 18
 - Welcome back BBQ - Thursday, September 19
 - First Reconciliation/ First Communion Parent Meeting, Dublin - Thursday September 19
 - Terry Fox Run - Friday, September 20, end of the day
 - Pat Cook Run - Tues September 24, 3:30 pm
 - Perth Soccer - Wednesday, September 25, Thursday, September 26
 - Parent Curriculum Night - Thursday, September 26, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

CSAC Focus/School Needs for Achievement and Wellbeing

- Report from 2023-2024 School Year
- Upcoming/September Events:
 - **Welcome Back BBQ - Thurs Sept 19, Meet the Teacher 5-6 pm; BBQ 5-7 pm**
 - many supplies already purchased; ValuMart willing to donate toward the costs
 - classroom baskets to be drawn:
 - tickets in classrooms; 10 tickets/student
 - draw done in advance, 4:30 pm; parents pickup basket in evening
 - 19 baskets - last year
 - colour themes:
 - JK/SK - blue
 - 1/2 red
 - 2/3 yellow
 - 4/5 green
 - 5/6 multi-coloured
 - 7/8 black and white
 - no food, no candy
 - have items in by Mon Sept 16
 - assemble on Wed Sept 18, 1:00 pm to assemble baskets
 - tickets for food items ordered in advance...request make certain that they order the amount of food for family;
 - Google form to be used and sent out on Wed Sept 11
 - food order by Mon Sept 16, end of the day
 - drinks - iced tea in Gatorade coolers, small cups handed out to families
 - napkins, condiments - supplies to be checked and purchased as necessary
 - prepare name tickets for K - Gr 2/3
 - include invitation/ request for volunteers on Google form
 - Spirit Wear - Titan Wear; online store that parents order directly from. Items and sizes on display in the library 5-6 pm. Open for as long as



needed; delivery to the school, parents to organize getting home; close in mid to late October

- **Parent Curriculum Night** - Thurs Sept 26, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
 - details and information will be shared

- **Perth Soccer - Wed Sept 25 (Jr) and Thurs Sept 26 (Sr)**
 - discussion on food items to sell and prices; once confirmed, to be shared with the school to forward to Soccer Convenors

Other Items

- School needs and fundraising discussion/ideas at next meeting

Next Meeting/ Future Meeting Dates

- Tues Oct 1, 5:00 pm

Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 7:22 pm made by Jim W, seconded by Jess H.

