Father Francis McSpiritt Catholic School Council Minutes: Oct 2, 2024

In Attendance (Quorum Reached): M. Steward, F. Bernard, M. Inserra (remote), S. Farquhar (remote), T. Toste, T. Pannia, P. Goodman, S. Colacci-Pimentel, D. Hall, K. Williams

Guests: S. Ferdinand, E. Duah (remote), Mary Kobi (remote)

1. Welcome/Call to Order

6:07 pm

- 2. Opening Prayer: Catholic prayer
- 3. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory
- 4. Regrets: S. Politano
- 5. Approval of Agenda: S. Colacci-Pimentel & T. Toste
- 6. Approval of April 24th, 2024, Minutes

Approved by: S. Colacci-Pimentel & K. Williams

- 7. Old Business
 - Saidat cancelled no longer board approved, cheque was not issued
 - Krispy Kreme dates set for March 4th, 2025 (300 dozens) (could do bundle deal)
- 8. FFMCSC Election

Chair – K. Williams
Treasurer – T. Pannia
Secretary – P. Goodman
Parish Rep. – D. Hall
OAPCE Rep. – E. Duah

Parent Reps. - S. Colacci-Pimentel

T. Toste

S. Ferdinand

Teacher Reps. – S. Farquhar

M. Inserra

9. Treasurer Report

Please see Financial Report for complete details

• \$11,869 available in the bank (\$500 left from last year)

10. Principal Report

- Enrolment 358 students, 352 students projected
- Re-org completed
- Ms. Geiser planning time teacher every Wednesday
- 3 LTO's at this time
- Open House success comments from parent council "no teacher presence outside",
 "no music/entertainment"
- First mass is Oct 4th,2024
- Terry Fox walk completed Sept 27th, 2024
- Wellness walk on Oct 2nd, 2024
- Photo day completed
- Job posting went out by email looking for student monitors, not all roles have been filled at this time (some pending criminal reference checks)
- New lunch period 11:55am-12:55pm- children go outside first then for the last 20 minutes come inside for lunch (if students need more time to eat, teachers will allow)
- Soccer at recess is still too intense (will monitor for safety), students must also wear shoes outside (some children taking shoes off to play)
- Reminder no crocs for gym

11. Teacher Report

- Terry Fox walk held September 27th JK's to Gr 8, assembly held then walked
- Donations for Terry Fox accepted, \$332. Generated
- Virtual Liturgy assembly National Orange Shirt Day, buttons provided to all students
- Eco Initiatives/Plans ideas for all divisions Primary, Junior & Intermediate
- Playday 3 days booked June 23rd, 24th, 25th, 2025
- Wellness walk started Oct 2nd, 2024 walk around the community takes place the first Wednesday of every month
- Field Trips planning has started, first trip Oct 7th, 2024 to Silver Creek
- Intermediate Student Council started up
- Trying to introduce Badminton
- Halloween Planning under way
- Thanksgiving food drive planning
- Pumpkins will be purchased by parent council will require 18 pumpkins at least
- Cell phone issue (would like to purchase a pocket that is placed behind the teachers
 desk for all student to place cell phones in during the day, discussed) possibility of
 lockbox like structure for cell phone safe keeping, would require waivers/direction of
 the board etc.

12. Future Meeting Dates - 6pm for all

- Nov 18th, 2024
- Dec 3rd, 2024 (Christmas social/potluck)
- Jan 27TH, 2025 (Tentative)

April 24th, 2025

13. Motions Voted & Passed (Quorum Reached)

- ✓ \$2500. towards playday passed
- √ \$150. pumpkins for carving passed
- ✓ \$200. towards Halloween decorations passed
- ✓ 2000. Request for window coverings on classroom doors in case of a lockdown (magnetic fitted pieces that cover all windows on operating classroom doors) for all grades JK- Gr 8 item passes health and safety standards passed

14. New Business

- Shrove Tuesday Pancakes for Students Consider making pancakes in school gym with parent volunteers
 - o More of an interactive and fun experience for students
 - Last year students received premade pancakes that were delivered to the classroom

Fundraising Ideas:

- 1. Dieleman Fundraiser, purchases made online, can be delivered to the school free of charge or shipped to home address with individual charged
- 2. Barburitos lunch, beef patties, crumble cookies looking into
- 3. Cookies with Santa
- 4. French Café Feb 24th-27th (Croissant/Gluten free options)
- 5. Domino's Dough Raiser now on Friday's Dates set for Oct 18th 2024, Jan 17th & May 23rd 2025

Next Meeting, Nov 18th 2024 6pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm Approved by K. Williams Seconded by P. Goodman