



**St. Francis Junior High School
School Council Meeting**

April 15th, 2024 – 6:00 pm, Library (Room 116)

1. Call to Order – 6:00pm – Laurie Catonio
 - a) Opening Prayer – Jackie Kraemer
 - b) Land Acknowledgement – Jackie Kraemer

2. Welcome, Introductions and Attendance:

Jackie Kraemer (Staff), Laurie Catonio, Gerriane Timmerman – No Quorum

3. Approval of March 18th meeting minutes – Motion Laurie C., Second Gerriane T., All in Favor.

4. Old Business –
 - a) Student Awards for September

5. New Business – None

6. Trustee Report – Standing trustee report
https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/board_administration/board_of_trustees/board_meetings

7. Treasurer’s Report –
Opening balance on March 1st was \$4333.69. Closing balance on March 31st was \$4325.69. There were no funds deposited last month. The total debit from the account in March was \$8 (monthly maintenance and statement print service charges).

8. Principal’s Report –
 1. Staffing Update:
 - a. Devon Dempsey - accepted a position as Area Superintendent in Weyburn, SK



- b. Peter Gallagher - accepted a secondment for SACI (Southern Alberta Collegiate Institute) for 1.5 years.
 - i. Rebecca Maier has accepted the temporary position until June.
 - c. Pam Keating - Medical leave until June - interviewing for that temp position this week.
2. Parent Information:
 - a. Alberta Esports Championship
 - i. May 2-4, 2024 hosted in Lethbridge Holy Spirit has representation on the planning committee for the Alberta Esports Championship, being hosted in Lethbridge May 2-4. Registration is now open for those interested in competing -- participants do not need to be connected to a school team in order to take part. More information on the event can be found on the AEC webpage.
 - b. Minister's Youth Council
 - i. If you have any students you would like to nominate them to be part of next year's Ministers council.
 - ii. The deadline for submitting student applications is April 30, 2024. For more information, please visit alberta.ca/student-engagement.aspx.
3. School Council Engagement fund \$388
 - a. what would we like to spend this on? Tabled for next meeting
 - b. ideas? speaker? Family mental health evening?
4. Basement Update
 - a. Transforming the current storage to a functional academy training facility
 - b. dumpster ordered today
 - c. parent volunteers next week. We will send out a school messenger.
 - d. community connections to facilitate this.
 - e. electrical connections? donors?
5. Athletics
 - a. Badminton- cities are this upcoming week.
6. An Evening of GrACE –
 - a. Our local GrACE committee is hosting an evening engagement session at SBCEC on Thursday, April 18, 6-8 pm. We will be distributing posters to school and parish communities. Please consider attending and sending on the information as well to your school councils.
 - i. Jackie to send out information on social media platforms and email.
7. NET Retreat –
 - a. This retreat will be offered on Friday, April 19, 2024, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Assumption Hall (2405 12 Ave S. Lethbridge AB). Snacks and coffee will be



available for the retreat, which will be an afternoon of fun, games, talks, testimonies, and faith formation.

- b. Information was distributed to staff by email on March 25 - I have asked for RSVP by noon on Tuesday, April 16th, 2024.
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8. Office Hours/ Parent Teacher Interviews
 - a. Reminder to check the website for monthly Office Hours
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9. Closing Prayer – Laurie Catonio
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10. Adjournment – 6:14 pm
Next Meeting May 13th, 2024