



St. Francis Junior High School

School Council Meeting

November 20th, 2023 – 6:00 pm, Library (Room 116)

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

2. Welcome, Introduction and Attendance:

Jackie Kraemer (Staff), Michael Racz (Staff), Laurie Catonio, June Beloin, Gerriane Timmerman, Chantele Motycka, Jayzellynn Rivera.

Sent regrets: Roisin Gibb (Trustee Liaison), Tricia Doherty, Tokunbo Walter-Endui (treasurer)

3. Approval of October 16th meeting minutes – Motion Chantele M., Second June B.

4. Old Business – None

5. New Business – None

6. Trustee Report – Standing trustee report

https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/board_administration/board_of_trustees/board_meetings

Roisin and Trisha meeting with Nathan Neudorf while at their conference to discuss St. Francis School and the possibility of modernization.

7. Treasurer's Report –

Opening balance on October 1st was \$2,441.54. Closing balance on October 31st was \$2,433.54. There were no deposits made into the account in October. The total debit from the account in October was



\$8, which consist of monthly maintenance and statement print service charges.

8. Principal's Report –

1). Staffing Update:

- a. Elisabeth Rasmussen (15 hours) is our new librarian - start date and schedule TBD.
- b. Patricia Jones - New EA filling a temp 30-hour position until Dec. 22.
- c. Still waiting to hire two out of our three educational assistants from Jordan's Principle funding. Will also bring an elder in to work with students.

2). Parent Evenings:

- a. I SWAG team social media posts.
 - i. November 16, 2023 – How do we support our children when they might not be okay (ft. Kim Clark from Elite Training Solutions)
 - ii. January 16, 2024 – Resiliency and Self-Care (ft. Lethbridge Family Services)
 - iii. February 15, 2024 – Healthy Relationships (ft. Lethbridge Family Services)
 - iv. March 20, 2024 – ADHD – Understanding the Diagnosis and Treatment Strategies (ft. Aleigha and Ashley from True Balance Counselling)
 - v. April 18, 2024 – Emotional Regulation – How to Help Our Kids When They Have Big Feelings (ft. Allie and Bailee from True Balance Counselling)
 - vi. May 14, 2024 – Digital Detox (ft. Lethbridge Family Services)

3). Dance Chaperones needed: Sending invite out to parents tomorrow.



a. Christmas Dance – Pajamas.

4). CYCW (Child and Youth Care Worker) practicums

- a. Attendance - blitz
- b. Connection with students

5). Lethbridge Police training

- a. December 5th - K9 and Tactical team will train at SF.

6). Chocolate Fundraiser Update:

- a. Profit close to \$20 000
- b. Proceeds go to:

This year our main needs for fundraising are to purchase:

- Student awards, prizes and incentives (15% of funds earned),
- Intramurals (5% of the funds earned)
- School Field Trip (5%)
- Game Concepts, e-sports Lab (10% of funds earned),
- Library books (5% of funds earned),
- Athletics (30% of funds earned),
- STEM (10% of the funds earned)
- Technology (10% of the funds earned)
- Hardship Fund (10% of the funds earned)

7). Kidoodle grant:

- a. So far, we have bought:
 - i. Fitness equipment - can also be used as a sensory room.
 - ii. Picnic tables
 - iii. VR - Received quote trying to buy 2.
 - iv. Hope to buy more seating too and really need more chromebooks.

8). Athletics

- a. Volleyball successful season. Went to Zones.



b. Basketball teams are made. Practices start this week.

9). Office Hours/ Parent Teacher Interviews

a. Reminder to check the website for monthly Office Hours

i. Is there anything we can do to promote this or make this more accessible. Maybe help by adding topics parents can use to talk to teachers. Explain what they are and promote more. Also, good if you need to have a longer conversation.

b. Parent Teacher Interviews November 16th - feedback

i. Teachers would like this earlier, thoughts? Possibly moving them to October and doing something similar for next semester.

10). Performing Arts of St. Francis is presenting Aladdin Jr. cast posted yesterday. The show will run March 12-16.

11). Monday 27, Council of School Council meeting. Members of the school council and parents invited to go if they are interested.

9. Closing Prayer – Laurie Catonio

10. Adjournment – 6:35pm

Next Meeting December 18th, 2023