

# St. Francis Junior High School School Council Annual General Meeting September 18, 2023 – 6:00 pm Library (Room 116)

- 1. Call to Order 6:00pm Laurie Catonio
  - a) Opening Prayer Devon Dempsey
  - b) Land Acknowledgement Devon Dempsey
- 2. Welcome, Introduction and Attendance:

Devon Dempsey (Staff), Jackie Kraemer (Staff), Michael Racz (Staff), Tricia Doherty, Laurie Catonio, Leah Heidinger, Adelino Flores, Cindy Flores, Carmelisa Versola, Mariano Versola Jr, Rome Legaspi, Trisha Perverseff, June Beloin, Tanya Koopmans, Chantele Motycka, Meighan Moffitt, Janessa Fyfe, Leslie Smiljanec, Gerriane Timmerman, Anne Escrader, Candy Stang, Jayzellynn Rivera, Marsha Jamila, Jay Horrell Jamila, Omar Gomez, Roman Kovach, Yurii Kholosha, Roisin Gibb (Trustee)

- 3. Approval of AGM Agenda Motion Meighan M., Second Trisha P.
- 4. Chair's Report Mission, school council meeting review 22/23 school year.
- 5. Treasurer's Report Will review at next meeting as the treasurer was unable to attend.
- 6. Nominations Laurie explained the expectations of each role.
  - a) Chair Laurie Catonio
  - b) Vice-Chair June Beloin
  - c) Secretary Gerriane Timmerman
  - d) Treasurer Tokunbo Walter-Enudi
- 7. Adjournment 6:25pm



## St. Francis Junior High School

## **School Council Regular Meeting**

### September 18, 2023 – 6:25 pm (Immediately Following AGM)

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- 1. Approval of minutes from the May and June 2023 School Council Meeting. Motion Meighan M., Jayz R.
- 2. Principal's Report
  - a. 2023/2024 School Council Dates:
    - i. Oct 16, Nov 20, Dec 18, Jan 15, Mar 18, Apr 15, May 13, Jun 17
  - b. Enrollment is up to 547 as of today, showing we are a school of choice for many.
  - c. Information regarding the chocolate sale should be released by the end of September. Typically raise \$20,000-\$30,000. We raise funds through school fees (30% of families can't afford school fees), and the chocolates fundraiser provides the slush funds for items like couches, sporting equipment, etc.
  - d. No confirmed decisions on maternity leave coverage, waiting on School Board for decision.
  - e. Library renovation look great Thank you to the Board of Trustees
  - f. New Staff
    - i. Heather Monroe FT
    - ii. Wade Kast .5
    - iii. The Board Office cut grad coach positions, reinstated .5 teacher.
    - iv. Winston Day Chief covering mat leave (Kristen)
    - v. Marilyn Vander Wekken inclusivity
    - vi. 5 interns from the UofL
  - g. Communication
    - i. Every second week they will send out a school update/newsletter
    - ii. Messenger, Powerschool, FM, IG
  - h. Thursday, September 21st is a meet/treat starting at 6pm



- i. October 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:30am School Mass, please RSVP to the principal so she can save seats for parents attending.
- j. PAT We are a pilot school for digital testing for 2023. There will be options for students who require accommodation. Next year all schools will have digital testing.
- k. Exams weeks: Jan 23 30, Jun 18 26.
- I. Office Hours for teachers are once a month (except months for P/TI's) and posted on the website. Parent/Teacher Interviews are in November and April.

## 3. Trustee Report

- a. Roisin introduced herself and her role. She is our taxpayer's representative.
- b. Board meetings are on the last Wednesday of each month and open to the public.
- c. SF #1 on Capital Plan to be replaced. Safety and programming concerns Both MLAs walked through the school and reviewed the issues.
- 4. Old Business: None

### 5. New Business:

- a. Won contest for \$10,000 last year. Students and teachers were polled, and the decision hasn't been made, waiting until funds are deposited for final decision.
- b. Positive feedback on school dances and request for more dances if feasible.
- c. School clothing online store in the works.
- d. There is still a possibility of a school musical. Still in talks.
- e. Bus passes were sent out today, check with the office.
- 6. Discussion of what School Council would like to accomplish this school year.
  - a. Main purpose is to inform parents and promote as much parent involvement as possible.
- 7. Closing Prayer Laurie Catonio



8. Adjournment – 6:55pm