



**St. Francis Junior High School  
School Council Annual General Meeting  
September 23, 2024 – 6:02 pm  
Library (Room 116)**

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

2. Welcome, Introduction and Attendance:

Jackie Kraemer (Staff), Kristen Mazzuca (Staff), Michael Racz (Staff), Tricia Doherty (Trustee Liaison), June Beloin, Tanya Koopmans, Chantelle Motycka, Gerriane Timmerman, Roisin Gibb, Tokunbo Walter-Enudi. Heather Wirzba, Malorie Enns, John Natividad, Danille Lazzaretto-Green

Sent Regrets - Laurie Catonio

3. Approval of AGM Agenda – Motion Chantelle M., Second Tokunbo W.E.

4. Chair’s Report – none

5. Treasurer’s Report –

**Opening balance on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023: \$2,399.54**

Total amount credited \$3,087.00. These consist of school fees payment as listed below: Cheque deposit (September 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2023): \$49.00 Cheque deposit (December 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023): \$2,639.00 Cheque deposit (May 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2024): \$399.00	Total amount debited \$4,675.15. Listed below is a breakdown of the debits: Calculator purchase: \$656.85 CCH Donation: \$50.00 Staff appreciation lunch: \$873.30 Bank charges: \$95.00 Academic awards: \$3,000.00
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Closing balance \$811.39 August 31.

6. Nominations –
  - a) Chair – tabled for the next meeting
  - b) Vice-Chair – June Beloin
  - c) Secretary – Gerriane Timmerman
  - d) Treasurer – Tokunbo Walter-Enudi

7. Adjournment – 6:18pm



**St. Francis Junior High School  
School Council Regular Meeting  
September 23, 2024 – 6:18 pm (Immediately Following AGM)  
Library (Room 116)**

1. Approval of minutes from the May 2024 School Council Meeting. – Motion Roisin G., Second Tokunbo W.E..
2. Trustee Report - Standing trustee report  
[https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/board\\_administration/board\\_of\\_trustees/board\\_meetings](https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/board_administration/board_of_trustees/board_meetings)

New superintendent search. Email went out to principals explaining the transition in format for trustee attendance at school council meetings. The trustees won't be expected to attend school council meetings unless specifically invited when something is presented that they should be there to see. Instead, they can meet with School Council Executive members separately from the School Council meetings for updates and to share communication. Previously, when the trustees were at all the meetings, they were receiving operational questions that should've been directed to the administration. The new format is intended to help clarify roles. Tricia is hoping for a St. Francis modernization announcement by February.

3. Principal's Report
  1. School Updates and changes
    - a. 2023-2024 - 554 students
    - b. May - projected 575
    - c. August over 600 - added a 1.0 teacher
      - i. added a grade 8 and grade 9 homeroom
    - d. today 619-620
    - e. avg class size at or under 30 for all grades
  2. Staffing Update:  
New staff:
    - a. Nicole Rice - teaching Math/Science 8 and options
    - b. [Camilla Pagliericci](#)- teaching Humanities 8 and Options (working with Chris Hartman on band program 7&8)
    - c. Carly Spoulos -Math, Science - Options (Art, Cosmetology)



- d. Tricia Sward - ELA, RE (religion), Academy, Options
  - e. Pia Virginillo - ELA 9 and RE 7-9 (Greg Kostiuk)
  - f. Educational Assistants
    - i. Nico, Amber, Fabiola, Rachel
  - g. Kristen Mazzuca - New AP
3. Performing Arts of St. Francis
    - a. Started audition prep for Newsies.
  4. Athletics
    - a. Cross Country – 30 students from each grade participated in a city meet last week and they go to zones this week.
    - b. Volleyball – Senior teams competed in a couple of tournaments. DV boys competed in a tournament.
  5. Office Hours/ Parent Teacher Interviews
    - a. Parent Teacher Interviews
  6. Welcome Back BBQ - can we support this financially? Went back to this format to allow parents a way to get to know the staff better. There will be a scavenger hunt to take kids and family around the school. Charging \$5 per family at the door (cash or donation). Looking into getting some sort of tap machine for people who don't have cash available, either for this event or future events.
  7. Chocolates updates: Done this fundraiser for many years. Can bring in up to \$20,000. Assembly on October 20<sup>th</sup>. QR code on letter. Permission click will go home.
  8. Academy Update – changed structure of athletic academies. Hockey has been running for approximately 17 years, the dance academy has been running for the last few years. Soccer academy ran in the second semester for several years. New sports model. Academies in the afternoons core in morning. 30 students in hockey, 28 in dance, 17 in elite athlete rodeo, basketball, golfer, soccer, softball, ringette, etc.). Fitness testing with The Bridge. Still working out kinks with new model. It's been difficult to add the scheduling on PowerSchool.



9. School trips:
    - a. Quebec - French Immersion – Grade 9. May long weekend.
    - b. New York - whole school – Initial meeting 150 kids attended, 54 signed up with parents’ permission. Parent night information will be sent out next week. Will take place during Easter Break, April 21-25. They will attend 2 Broadway shows, visit NBC studios, get to see behind the scenes of Broadway, attend a sports event probably, MLB because NHL and NBA will be in playoff seasons). The goal is to have around thirty students. This will allow organizers to customize their own tour and have a private bus and could help bring some costs down.
  10. [Survey](#) – do we want to see more presentations. Jackie will send out to all parents. Any Interest in parent information sessions or family evenings/ learning and community building for the year?
    - a. Faith
    - b. First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education (beading?)
    - c. Literacy/Numeracy activity
    - d. Family Wellness?
  11. Dates for meetings – Jackie/Kristen will post to St. Francis Calendar. October meeting tentatively scheduled for October 21. Will try for 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month. We don’t need to have a meeting every month. We will check the bylaws for minimum requirement of meeting for the year.
  12. Other - Ordered 60 new desks and chairs over the summer for the extra students. At the start of the year, they were short thirty lockers and students had to volunteer to share.
4. Old Business: None
  5. New Business: None
  6. Closing Prayer – Jackie Kraemer
  7. Adjournment – 6:56pm