St. Clare Catholic Elementary School Council: Meeting Minutes

Monday Nov 13, 2023, 6:30pm. Meeting called to order by Treena Boudreau-Gigante.

In Attendance:

Laura Mendonca
Joanna Agueci
Aliesa Jacob
Lisa Eugenio
Anne Rebelo
Aksana Savitskaya
Lisa Whitelaw
Dayle Forgie

Danielle CampionTeaching Rep: Michelle Camilleri-AlonziGerald MenezesNon-Teaching Rep: Elena lanniccaLeonard MendoncaPrincipal: Treena Boudreau Gigante

Karolina Piasecka Virtual: Sarah Letto
Melisia Catling Trustee: Herman Viloria
Lawrie Kulik-Oliveira Regrets: Justin Letto

1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgement

L. Mendonca / T. Boudreau-Gigante

2. Prayer G. Menezes

3. Approval of Agenda & Minutes - Oct 3, 2023

L. Mendonca

Motion to approve the agenda put forth by Laura approved by Anne second by Danielle

4. Principal's Report

T. Boudreau-Gigante

Staffing:

• No changes since last meeting

Catholic Community, Culture, and Caring

• Youth Faith Ambassadors: Bullying Prevention Spirit Week and Acts of Kindness. Looking to do a food drive in the month of November.

Faith

- Rosary Apostolates
- Remembrance Day Service
- Virtue of Conscience Assembly beginning of the month
- Advent: December 3-24
- Advent Virtue of Hope virtual Assembly is Dec 1
- Advent Mass: December 7 10:15 am at church

Sacraments

- Confirmation: registration information was emailed to grade 7 parents
- Reconciliation information sign up has been sent out from the parish

Curriculum/Tutoring

- Math Facilitator: Mrs. Silvestri comes to St. Clare 4 times a month and is working with the grade 3 and grade ¾ students. In term two she will also work with the grade 5/6 classes
- Progress Reports distributed Nov 14, interviews Nov 16
- EQAO Student Reports distributed to gr 4 and 7 students/parents

Clubs and Sports

- Youth Faith Ambassadors Mrs. Camilleri
- Intermediate Volleyball Tournaments: Mr. Benec and Mr. Bugeja
- Junior Chess Club is going to a tournament at the end of the month: Mrs. Spagnolo

Other

- Last week's book fair was a huge success. Thank you to all the families who supported, we were able to purchase \$1200 worth of books for the library
- Pizza Days are happening next month, purchase will be posted very soon.
- Catholic school council annual report needs to be completed and submitted to the board
- CSC training sessions for executive council members on Nov. 30
- Dec 20 the whole school will be attending a movie.

New and Upcoming

- Picture Retake and class photos were taken today
- PA Day Nov 24, no school for students.

5. Trustee's Report H. Viloria

Highlight of Monthly Report:

- Revised language arts
- Added indigenous and holocaust education
- EQAO literacy peel students outperformed the province, mathematics is on par
- Cursive writing
- Loyola open house
- GSN funding

6. Parish Updates G. Menezes

- Confirmation packages at mass or online
- Registration is dec 5th or 6th
- First communion registration link online
- Apple cider Sunday after mass
- Fruit cakes for sale
- Knights of Columbus poinsettias
- Advent candles on sale
- Cook books on sale
- Christmas cards and books on sale Nov 25/26 after mass
- · Rosaries and Bracelets for grads

7. Fundraising/Treasurer's Report

L. Mendonca

- \$13,400 in bank account
- Travelling stage \$6k Shared cost
- \$1500 for sports/clubs
- Family subsidies \$300
- \$250 for food and snack
- Graduation kinder and gr 8 \$1000
- \$500 sacraments
- \$1500 facelift for the library
- Technology funds \$1000
- Scientists in the school \$
- \$3k travelling stage
- \$900 sales for fresh from farms around \$400 raised. Distribution date Nov 16
- \$79 coming in from Mabel's Labels
- · Review bylaw's
- Hot lunches Beef patties \$3
- Photos with Santa event
- Monetary donations from families

- \$500 grant for parent engagement Paul Davis for internet safety and Sarah Westbrook for wellness and wellbeing
- Kindergarten toys funding \$500

8. Teacher Requests/Updates

M. Camilleri

- Scientist in the school
- Will provide Wish lists
- Reverse advent calendar with youth faith ambassadors
- Student run initiatives with teacher supervision

Closing Remarks

L. Mendonca

Meeting adjoured at 8:51 Danielle and Lawrie