

Sir Edgar Bauer Catholic School



Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) Meeting Minute

DATE: Tuesday April 2 2024

Present: Cheryl Beaupre, Eric Thuss, David Rozek, Jelena Loncar-Vines, Melanie Ainsworth, Melissa Wooster, Lanette Kym, Rebecca Ernewein, Trevor Tilley, Cathy McDonald-Reis, Kani Uhuotu, Melissa Skanes, Principal Tanya Hunter

Regrets: Doreen Weise, Melissa Kuntz, Haja Nabie, Lindsay Egan

In Person meeting began at 6:00

- Welcome/Introductions (All)
- Territorial Acknowledgement/Prayer
- Review of Minutes of Last Meeting
 - Minutes reviewed and approved to be posted on School Website
- **School Council Financial Report (Dave)**
 - BINGO pop/chip money yet to be deposited (note that the intent of juice boxes/chips was not to be a profit but both were on sale when purchased)
 - Last meeting we approved \$600 for year end picnic and \$250 for steam night
 - \$5646.96 is current balance
 - Council approved cost of 10 6' folding tables – approx. \$700 – Cathy and Lanette to purchase these
 - \$100 for each group of First Communion and Confirmation kids – total of \$200 approved; Tanya to canvass teachers about what gift could be (ideas – little wooden crosses, seedlings, seed packets)
- **Principal Update**
School Operations Updates:
 - Staffing Challenges - continue throughout the Board but have also impacted SEB; Principal asks for patience as she works to fill empty positions; we are assured that students are never left unsupervised and communication with parents is always top priority
 - EQAO Mock Test - sample question with parents; students receiving review on questions; how to approach a question; checking their answers; using the program (headsets, mice etc.)
 - Mathology resource/math mats purchased and workbooks with cookie dough funds

School Engagement:

- Rangers Choir
- Folk Dance (May)
- Jr Boys Bball One Day tournament
- Intermediate Co-Ed Soccer - May 21 (rain date May 28th) Coaches - Canto and Kim RIM Park
- Cross Country - June 5 Coaches - Canto and Kipfer Bechtel Park
- Boys and Girls Junior 3-Pitch Tournament - June 19 Coaches - Kipfer and Powis for Boys, Tubbe for girls RIM Park
- Intermediate Ultimate Frisbee - June 20 Coaches - Egan and Way RIM Park
- Choir (thank you to Stephanie Schmitke!)
- Games Club
- Art Club
- Intramurals
- Lead Team
- Library Club
- Reading Club

Community ~ Parish ~ School Updates:

- OCGE focus this year - community building - certificates went home in report cards; Mural grant
 - Marillac Place donation: \$729.00
 - Pancake Tuesday - February 13th / Ash Wednesday February 14th - lots of thanks and full tummies!
 - Confessions at School- Feb. 22 went really well
 - Grade 2 First Reconciliation March 21
 - Confirmation May 25th
- **Pancake Tuesday review (Cheryl)**
- Went very well; many hands on deck led to efficiency – all kids ate before recess
 - 1700 pancakes!!! Highest ever (many left over this year, after school provided for and the rest went to the freezer for lunch toaster pancakes)
 - Well under budget - \$338.69 was total cost
 - Some left over syrup that is good for next year (some tin foil and pans were returned to WholeSale Club)

Thoughts for next year;

- Borrowing warmers was helpful, 2 ovens and one warmer on a griddle worked well
 - Perhaps more announcement for seconds (plates got put into garbage before second round); better communication to teachers about using all pancakes rather than send them back; if teachers prefer to distribute after recess we could consider bringing their tray later
- **STEAM Night (Eric)**

- Monday April 15
- Likely will not need budget (\$250 approved if need be)
- Open to gym for students Gr 3-8 to display science or art project – forms are due Friday
- Groups coming in – Waterloo Public Library (tech toys hands on activity); UofW science department will demonstrate activities and WLU science team with 3D printer and EEG testing equipment; Doreen also doing activity
- Impromptu event, no specific schedule for activities
- Use of space still being considered – use of hallways and library
- Eric and Doreen are spearheading

- **Year Book update (Melanie)**
 - Melanie brings a preview
 - Competition for the cover front and back – all kids can draw/take a photo; could this be by end of month – council to vote next meeting, contest to be announced on Friday Flash
 - End of May is deadline
 - 27 pages currently out of 56 used
 - Including Halloween/Hockey Game/Purple Day/Pancake Day/Wacky Hair Day/Gr 8 Grad photos to be included)
 - **Sports teams to also be included
 - Mount Mary to also be included

- **Year End Picnic (Lanette and Melanie)**
 - Approx. budget \$600 pre-approved February meeting)
 - Brainstorming ideas – carnival “minute to win it” theme
 - DJ – stipend to be included in budget
 - Options for food/snack – freezies or ice creams
 - Pizza to be offered
 - Face paint/large games to be considered as move forward (cost of large games like jenga and connect 4 approved and can be used by school for future events/classroom use)
 - June 19 5-7pm; (rain date June 20) – save the date to be put in Friday Flash

- **Playground**
 - No sub committee has come forward/been identified to date – we continue to need a group of volunteers to take this on
 - Friday Flash to ask for parents to consider this for Sept planning

- Adjournment at 7:35

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 7 2024

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