

St. Peter Catholic Elementary School

Catholic School Advisory Council Meeting

Monday November 18th, 2024 6:00 pm

Name	Present	Absent
Lorraine Harris	Х	
Sharon Forrow	Х	
Beth Freiter	Х	
Tania Almeida	Х	
Kehinde Omikuule		Х
Lisa Cotter	Х	
Kristen Lauzon		Х
Oke Davis Ishegbe		Х
Sheria Cotter	Х	
Mandy Martins		Х
Silvana Zarate	Х	
Linda Knight	Х	

Name	Present	Absent
Buena Regino-Pueda	Х	
Rosa Lourenco-Chora		Х
Shona Majuery	Х	
Bree Almeida	Х	
Juanita Liray		Х
Jackie Steenbergen	Х	
Rachel Kumar		Х
Andrew Plester	Х	
Anita Cozier		Х

Items

Meeting commenced at 6:00 pm

1. Prayer, Land Acknowledgement, & Welcome

- Acknowledgement read out Indigenous Canada, A Story to Tell
- Opening Prayer Respect Micah 6:8
 - Respect respect for themselves, companions, teachers, and others
 - Let us be a respectful community; do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly
 - Hold our kids to standards helps us to build a stable environment

2. Musical Update

- Show me the money all main actors selected, dancers selected, and choir
- Kids are very excited they are giving it their all and teachers see a different side of the kids
- Mondays and Fridays the speaking parts are being practiced by the students
- Tuesdays and Thursdays is choir practice
- Wednesdays the dance crew practices

• They are busy and dedicated – very excited to be doing it; will be about 6 shows – will be at the school

Should we charge a fee?

- The funds are coming from Bingo fees
- Charging a fee is restrictive to families who want to be there but can't afford it
- Charge for popcorn, water, etc.
- We will revisit this to the next meeting

3. Camp Brebouf

- Very small turnout for Camp Brebouf it seems people don't like change
- We will likely go back to Mount Mary if the school continues to allow it
- They are making changes due to risks involved

4. Attendance Campaign

Winners have been selected – will be sent this week through the school update

5. Acadience Reporting

- Ministry is requiring this screening tool to identify students who are at risk for early reading difficulties
- Not used to evaluate kids or determine a grade on a report card
- A letter will be distributed by grade (Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 2, Parents) letter will come home regarding

6. Parent Teacher Conferences

- Online seems to be going ok
- Was sent via messenger and Aspen and is posted on the Facebook page but not everyone received it
- Will be sent again with just that information, so people don't have to sift through a lot of information

7. Artist

- Need to find a local artist that will do some kind of indigenous teaching, land acknowledgement into one frame
- If anyone has any suggestions please contact Lorraine

8. October Meeting Minutes

• Were distributed by email on the weekend

9. Annual Report

 Beth has the copy from last year so Lisa and Andrew will work together to get this completed

10. School Trips

- Last year, in the first CSAC meeting, coverage from CSAC was requested and approved for 1 free bus per year
- Motion for CSAC to approve 1 bus per class for the 24/25 school year

11. Christmas Event

- December 19th with timing set for 5:00-7:00 pm
- Crafts have been ordered only 2 crafts were ordered because we had over 100 crafts left from last year
- Kristen is going to ask Freshco to donate more candy canes there are 300 left from last year we had 400 last year so we will need some but not too many
- November 30th craft night at Beth's house make charcuterie boards at 6:00 pm
- Santa and the elf will be coming but still need to confirm the timing
- Events sub-committee do we want a theme?
 - Ugly Christmas Sweater

12. Christmas Turkey Dinner

- Ordered for December 18th
- 360 people (have 312 approximately registered includes the staff and volunteers)

13. Christmas Concert

- Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 19th
- There will be an am and pm concert

14. MacMillan's Fundraiser

- Delivery date is scheduled for December 19th; can't change the date they only deliver to the area on set dates
- Only 13 orders as of the end of last week hoping for more orders to be submitted this week
- Would be good if we could get the delivery to happen so they could pick up their orders after the concert – Tania will follow up to see if we can request a specific time or at least an AM delivery
- Orders can be sorted in the nutrition room or the library

15. By-Laws

- Lisa and Andrew will review these they have just received them for the first time
- They will put something together for the next meeting regarding rules and guidelines and a handout to distribute at the next meeting

16. Credit Cards

- In the past people have fronted the money and Darlene gives the cheque for whatever you spent
- This could be a big issue for some with financial restrictions
- Could we look at getting a prepaid credit card signing it out, etc.
 - Lorraine will confirm with the finance at the Board to see if this can be approved
 - Discussion
 - Could be useful for large purchases
 - Maybe not useful for smaller expenses of \$20-\$30 expenses

- Have an agreement to sign indicating the terms of use
- Perhaps only the leads of the committees can use it

17. Spelling Bee

- Looking at running fundraisers that include literacy and math
- Readathon can be run as a fundraiser by charging an admission fee

18. Agenda

• The agenda should be distributed ahead of time so people can plan if they want to come; people have an opportunity to add things to the agenda

19. Upcoming Ideas

- School Focus is the Musical in Catholic Education Week
- Literacy Fundraiser look at a potential timeline
- Easter Event

20. Next Meeting

- January 20th, 2025 @ 6 pm
- February 24th, 2025 @ 6 pm
- April 28th, 2025 @ 6 pm
- May 8th, 2025 St. Benedict's
- June TBD