

# St. Luke School Council Minutes

<b>Date</b>	January 15, 2018
<b>Attendance</b>	Kristy Rice, Colette Lastiwka, Shannon Blyth, Fiona Nyuli, Dave Norris, Kyla Norris, Mat Weight, Denise Hoag, Brenda Watmough, Andrea Marson, Brandy Laurin, Carianne Shindell, Aoife Cahill
<b>Guests</b>	Michelle Szott – EICS Board Vice Chair/Trustee designate for St. Luke
<b>General Business</b>	
<b>Start Time</b>	6:35 p.m.
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Colette Lastiwka
<b>Committee Reports</b>	
<b>Halloween Dance</b> <i>Colette Lastiwka</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We're in need of someone to organize the Halloween Dance for the upcoming 2018/2019 school year, a big thank you to Brenda Watmough for volunteering to do this</li> <li>• Halloween Dance will be held on Friday October 26, 2018</li> </ul>
<b>New Business</b>	
<b>Shrove Tuesday</b> <i>Colette Lastiwka</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shrove Tuesday will be held on February 13, 2018</li> <li>• Staff and students will be treated to a pancake lunch with breakfast sausage, water, and juice</li> <li>• I will contact the volunteers who have signed up to help</li> </ul>
<b>Open House</b> <i>Aoife Cahill</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open House and Student Showcase will be held on Thursday March 1, 2018 from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. details of the evening are still being worked out</li> <li>• Posters for advertising will be made up by Sue from Central Office and will be distributed in various locations throughout the community and boundary area, FaceBook pages and groups, and along highway 14</li> <li>• Shannon Blyth will make a Parent Council Highlights bulletin board as well as arrange a menu for the evening, families will be asked to bring potluck items</li> <li>• Fiona Nyuli will make up a boundary map for families to place pins on where they live</li> <li>• Families can enter a draw for \$200 towards their 2018/2019 PowerSchool account</li> </ul>
<b>EICS Board Highlights</b> <i>Michelle Szott</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EICS Board consists of 7 trustees (4 trustees for Strathcona/Sherwood Park, 1 trustee for Fort Saskatchewan, 1 for Camrose, and 1 for Vegreville)</li> <li>• After the October elections we have two new trustees</li> <li>• The Board meets once a month and meetings are open to the public, our next meeting is on February 21, 2018 @ 2:30 p.m.</li> <li>• You can visit <a href="http://www.eics.ab.ca/trustees">www.eics.ab.ca/trustees</a> for information or to contact trustees</li> <li>• Highlights from our December 13, 2017 meeting are as follows:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brea Malacad our division psychologist was named one of Avenue Magazine's Top 40 under 40 for her work in the Violence Threat Risk Assessment Protocol</li> <li>• Twelve EICS staff are enrolled in EXCEL (Excellence in Catholic Educational Leadership) to enhance their faith development</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Old Business</b>	
<b>Advent Concert</b> <b>Colette Lastiwka</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to the students for their amazing performances, the dedicated staff, and the volunteers who helped make the Advent concert outstanding</li> </ul>
<b>4 x 4</b> <b>Aoife Cahill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They're still in need of petitioners to go door to door and survey households. Don Marceau has had some parents who have come forward but became discouraged after finding out the amount of work involved</li> <li>• We will invite Don Marceau to the Open House to promote the 4x4 process and encourage affected families to help out</li> <li>• Mat Weight has volunteered to get the contact information of affected families in the 4x4 areas. She will contact them directly to see if they can help, hopefully a parent to parent approach will encourage families to assist in the process</li> <li>• We may need to focus on only one 4x4 area as a starting point</li> </ul>
<b>School Report</b>	
<b>School Report</b> <b>Aoife Cahill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We gained 10 new students in January and are at a total of 160 students</li> <li>• <i>New kindergarten programming for 2018/2019</i> - we will be offering a Pre-Kindergarten program and a Kindergarten Plus program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pre-Kindergarten Program</i> – The preschool that is run by Lisa Baker will join St. Luke. For the past 6 years the preschool has operated out of St. Luke as its own entity. Lisa will become and EA in the program and a teacher will be hired. The program will be offered in the same space and Lisa will still run her before and after school care. The pre-kindergarten program and regular kindergarten will run Tuesdays, Thursdays, and 10 Fridays</li> <li>• <i>Kindergarten Plus</i> – will be offered to students that are 4 and 5 years old and will be offered on opposite days as the regular kindergarten program</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 5/6 Basketball has began and is coached by Miss Cormier</li> <li>• <i>Mindful Movements</i> - Britney Stahl, a St. Luke parent, who brought Mindful Movements to our students would like to offer a 6 week program for families. Classes will be after school on Mondays starting at the end of February. Information will be the weekly memo</li> <li>• Thank you to Brian Watmough for staining the wood in the hallway</li> <li>• Grade 8 students moving on to ABJ will have a transition day on Monday February 26, 2018</li> <li>• <i>Skiing</i> – as a staff we talked about going skiing as a school to Rabbit Hill. Lift</li> </ul>

- ticket, equipment rental, and lessons will be around \$40-45 per student. Busing is extra. Parent Council has budgeted to support a physical activity for students. We would be looking at going in early March.
- *Milk program* – changes are going well. With pre-ordering of milk we are able to accurately order only the milk we need which has helped reduce waste
  - Report cards will be available online January 30. PD day January 31
  - *Adoration* – will be on February 5 and 6. We'll have a mass on February 5 @ 8:30 a.m. The host will be blessed at the mass and placed in a monstrance, the monstrance will then be placed in our chapel and students will pray with the blessed sacrament present
  - *Chromebook* - leasing will end in June of this year. Chromebooks will not be available for leasing for the 2018/2019 school year
  - *First Communion* – at OLPH will be grouped by schools, St. Luke students will celebrate their First Communion on Sunday May 6, 2018 @ 8:30 a.m.
  - We will have a Strawberry Tea on May 17, 2018 from 2-3 p.m. All families are welcome and there will be a special celebration honoring all our volunteers. This will be a chance to get together and visit as a school community
  - Thank you for the donations that we received for the baskets that were auctioned off at Christmas in the Country. Money raised from the basket auction supported Valeda House. I would like to ask if Parent Council would be interested in organizing a social justice project
  - Indigo Fundraiser – details are still being worked out, event will possibly be on May 5, 2018

## Adjournment

Next Meeting	Monday February 12, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.
Adjournment	Adjourned by Colette Lastiwka Time 8:39 p.m.