

School Council Minutes

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| Date | February 11, 2019 |
| Attendance | Kristy Rice, Colette Lastiwka, Erin Huculak, Erin Crawley Kyla Norris, Dave Norris, Kristy Chamulke, Brenda Watmough, Fiona Nyuli, Shannon Blyth, Andrea Kroeker, Melissa Damur, Aoife Cahill |
| Guests | None |
| General Business | |
| Start Time | 7:13 p.m. |
| Approval of Agenda | Colette Lastiwka |
| Committee Reports | None |
| Old Business | |
| Shrove Tuesday <i>Colette Lastiwka</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shrove Tuesday will be held on March 5, 2019. Staff and students will be treated to a free pancake and sausage lunch. • Kim Laakso is organizing the lunch and will arrange for volunteers. • <i>Valeda House - (Andrea Kroker)</i> To continue to raise funds for Valeda House we're planning on having a Mardi Gras themed break-the-rules day to go along with Shrove Tuesday. |
| Open House <i>Colette Lastiwka</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open House will be held on Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. • <i>Advertising</i> – Fiona Nyuli will create a poster for advertising. Kyla Norris will contact Harold at South Cooking Lake Greenhouse to advertise the open house on his sign along highway 14. Colette Lastiwka will contact the South Cooking Lake Community League to advertise on their highway sign as well as their newsletter. We'll also advertise on Facebook pages and groups, as well posters will be distributed in various locations throughout the community and boundary area as well as Tofield. • <i>Programs Offered</i> – (Aoife Cahill) Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and Kindergarten Plus will be offered again next year and advertised on the poster. Holy Redeemer is offering a new program for 2019/2020 called Nature Kindergarten. This program will run in relation to the regular Kindergarten program and is offered to all Kindergarten students in Sherwood Park. Students that are registered at their community school for Kindergarten are eligible to attend the Nature Kindergarten program on the alternate days. Most of the classes will take place at the Strathcona Wilderness Center. This made us think about the beautiful backyard we have at our school. We're working with the playground committee to possibly increase the grant from the county to create a space for all students to use. We're not sure what the space will look like exactly but our goal is to have some elements done by September. • Those who attend will be given a 'great things' handout detailing all the things that make our school great. • Parent volunteers will greet people at the door. All classrooms will be open with a teacher available in each classroom to greet perspective families. • The playground committee will raffle off a prize at the end of the evening to |

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| | <p>continue raise funds for the new playground.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>School Fees Draw</i> - Families can enter a draw for \$200 towards their 2019/2020 PowerSchool account. Students have to be enrolled at St. Luke for 2019/2020 to claim the prize. Families can fill out one ticket per school aged child. The draw will take place at the end of the evening and the winner will be notified. Fiona Nyuli will create the tickets for the school fees draw. • <i>Menu</i> – The junior high students as part of Makerspace will bake cookies. Hot chocolate will also be served. • We'll also ask families to bring empty bottles to the open house for the new playground. • <i>Sherwood Park Reconfiguration</i> – (Aoife Cahill) With the reconfiguration in Sherwood Park Holy Spirit will now be a K-4 school starting in September. Students are being redirected to either St. Teresa or OLPH. We have around 7 families that live within our boundary that have been attending school in Sherwood Park and will now have to be redirected. The students do have the option to attend these schools but they may not be accepted due to space. I will contact these families directly to inform them of the open house. |
| <p>New Business</p> | |
| <p>PowerSchool/Report Cards Colette Lastwika</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When report cards became available on PowerSchool there were questions from parents on our parent's Facebook page who were having problems accessing the report cards. The problems occurred when trying to use a mobile device rather than a computer. (Aoife Cahill contacted the technology department and was informed that parents need to download the EICS app on their mobile device and use the PowerSchool link within the app.) |
| <p>School Report Aoife Cahill</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Adoration</i> – (Andrea Kroeker) Eucharistic adoration is a practice in the Catholic tradition in which the Blessed Sacrament is adored by the faithful. Adoration (Latin) means 'to give homage or worship to someone or something.' It is done with respect, a reverence, a strong admiration or devotion. Father Jim will join us in a school-wide Adoration mass tomorrow Tuesday February 12 @ 1 p.m. The consecrated host will be placed in the monstrance and brought to the chapel. Each class will then have individual time in the chapel to be present and pray. The monstrance will be in the chapel Wednesday and Thursday. Families are invited to attend mass as well as individual classroom Adoration times in the chapel with their children. • <i>Mindful Movements</i> – Our family mindful movements class was held on January 29 @ 3:30 p.m. Due to illness the student PE mindful movements classes had to be rescheduled. Because she has to come back out she is willing to offer another family class. 5 families attended the first session and we are wondering if more families would be able to attend if the class was offered later than 3:30 p.m. • <i>Alien In-Line Skating</i> – Alien In-Line Skating is offering a discounted rate in February and March. They are charging \$380 a day instead of \$510. I was wondering if Parent Council would be interested in bringing them back to the school at this price? (After discussion it was decided that Parent Council will not support this as the money budgeted for a Physical or Cultural activity has already been spent on Artist in Residence Garth Prince. Parent Council would |

like to bring Alien In-Line Skating back to the school again in the future as we know it is an activity that students enjoyed, just not for this year.)

- *Celebrating Catholic Education* – As mentioned in our last meeting we've been sharing stories from staff members about what Catholic Education means to them. They have been sharing what makes our Catholic schools special and unique. We would love for parents to share their stories with us about what they value about Catholic Education.
- *4 x 4* – The 4x4 process in Tofield and area has been delayed. The census was supposed to take place this month but due to weather it had to be rescheduled to March. With the census being delayed they will not be able to reach the process completion deadline date of March 31. This means that the 4x4 process in Tofield will not be completed for the upcoming 2019/2020 school year. The process will still continue and if approved will be available for the 2020/2021 school year.
- *Accountability Pillar Survey* – Just a reminder to please fill out your parent surveys.

Adjournment

Next Meeting

Monday March 11, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

Adjourned by Colette Lastiwka Time 8:34 p.m.