

St. Luke Catholic School

Called For More

School Council Meeting Minutes April 25, 2022

Attendance: Melissa Orr-Langner, Brenda Watmough, Meghan Ferguson, Cathy Hinger, Erin Crawley, Sharilynn Shakeshaft, Carrie Knysh, Shelby Mistecki, Shannon Blyth, Andrew Ferguson, Paula Rumley, Andrea Kroeker (Teacher Representative)

Meeting Start Time: 6:38 pm

Prayer & Reflection

- Opening Prayer Cathy Hinger
- Prayer for Ukraine Sharilynn Shakeshaft

<u>Land Acknowledgement</u> – Done by the students of St. Luke

Welcome & Introductions – Cathy Hinger

 We are happy to be able to host these meetings in person and welcome parents back into the school.

School Update

Administrative Report – Cathy Hinger & Sharilynn Shakeshaft

- Mr. Grudzinski (Music Teacher) has retired. In his place, we have Mrs. Driedger who will also be taking on the junior high options.
- We thank all the wonderful student teachers we had this year. They will be greatly missed and are coming in for a farewell on Wednesday.
- We had the grade three/four Easter Resurrection play last Thursday. It was the first time we
 were able to invite the school community inside. It was a beautiful celebration, and we look
 forward to more of this.
- Transition plans are underway for the grade eights going to ABJ next year. There is a
 presentation to parents on Thursday night on wellness and we are working on organizing a
 school tour for students. We have also started scheduling meetings regarding the farewell
 celebration. A form has gone out to parents asking for farewell ideas and to form a committee.

Upcoming Events – Cathy Hinger

- April 25 Shoe Drive continues
- April 26 Praise & Worship (8:40am in the gym)
- May 2 Prayer Labyrinth
- May 3 Elder Doreen in-person visit & Grade 3 Field Trip
- May 6 Professional Development Day. No School.
- May 12 Picture Day
- May 12 Staff Coffee & Connection with Mr. Paul Corrigan
- May 12 Living Rosary at 1pm
- May 13 Track Meet

- May 16 School Council Meeting
- May 18 EICS Trustees visit the school
- May 18 Grade Four's do the Mayor's Walk & Run
- May 18 Grade Six PAT (LA written component)
- May 20 & 23 No School
- TBD in May Open House

Teacher's Corner – Mrs. Andrea Kroeker

- I have been doing intervention work since September with the grade twos and threes. In January, we were able to add the grade ones as well. We gave kids an assessment on their phonics, and it was decided from there which students would need the intervention help. This program is not just helping students who are behind but rather assisting students in catching up because they have missed certain pieces of instruction.
- I'm seeing kids in grade one who didn't know more than five letter sounds now reading and decoding a paragraph. Parents have mentioned that reading levels are increasing with kids because of their ability to decode words.
- There is also a numeracy component. We are working with students on basic number skills. The program has taken off so much that we are looking at ways to incorporate it into every grade.

Old Business

Alberta School Council Engagement Grant – Erin Crawley

- We still have the \$500 grant money to spend and we'd like to brainstorm some ideas of what we could do.
- A Saffron Centre workshop had been an idea, however it seems as though they don't have an
 updated presentation and we were hoping for some more relevance in terms of the online
 world.
- Shannon Blyth suggested the Kairos Blanket Exercise. Erin will talk to Leanne Evans to see if she can get a contact.

New Business

School Council/Parent Association Babysitting – Brenda Watmough

- Now that we are meeting in person again, we would like to make sure we have the babysitting
 set up and ready for anyone who may need it. We are thinking it would be a good idea to post
 on the Facebook page a week in advance and ask if there are any parents who will be attending
 the meeting that would need childcare.
- We will also find out if any of the grade seven/eight students would be interested in babysitting.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:17 pm

Next Meeting: Monday May 16th, 2022