



St. Luke Catholic School

Better Together

School Council Meeting Minutes October 3, 2022

Attendance: Brenda Watmough, Meghan Ferguson, Cathy Hinger, Erin Crawley, Carrie Knysh (online), Shelby MistECKi, Donna Hayden (Teacher Representative), Kyla Norris, Sherilynn Shakeshaft, Heather Cherniak, Amy Williamson (online), Ceilidh Whelan (online)

Meeting Start Time: 6:36 pm

Prayer & Reflection

- Opening Prayer – Cathy Hinger
- Prayer for Ukraine – Sharilynn Shakeshaft

Land Acknowledgement – Done by the students of St. Luke

Welcome & Introductions – Cathy Hinger

- Welcome everyone to our first meeting of the year. Thank you to Donna Hayden for joining us tonight.

School Update

Administrative Report – Cathy Hinger & Sharilynn Shakeshaft

- *Highlights around St. Luke*
 - Our opening mass on September 15th was run by our students and was very well done. Our next mass will be October 20th and it will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Luke. Father Jim will be coming to the school on October 18th to do a special blessing.
 - The grade seven and eights had their team building activity at Birch Bay while the grade four class went to Camp Van Es and had their Bible presentation with Father Jim.
 - Our Terry Fox Run was very successful. We were able to raise over \$800 through the fundraising efforts of the grade seven and eight Leadership Team as well as the online donations we received.
 - We have some special guests coming into the school for Read In Week. Today, MLA Nate Glubish read to the grade one, two and three classes. We will also have Deacon Lynn, Assistant Superintendent Brett Cox, and Constable Caissie coming in to read.
 - We had a Truth & Reconciliation assembly where Miss Boehm read the book *Be A Good Ancestor*.

- *Staff Update*
 - We welcome our new Family Wellness Worker, Mrs. Lindsay Ziegler. She will be at our school on Thursday, Friday and alternating Wednesdays. We are sharing her with Holy Redeemer.
 - Our Inclusive Learning Facilitator is now Madame Hayden (on Monday & Wednesday).
 - We have several student teachers with us until December 12. Welcome to:
 - Miss Erin Anderson (with Mrs. Odiobala in grade two)
 - Miss Alea Durston (with Mrs. Kroeker in grade three)
 - Miss Taylor Olcen (with Madame Hayden in grade five)
 - Mr. Tristan Dexter (with Miss Evans in grade 6)
 - Unfortunately, we have had to shut down our Pre-K program. There were only five children registered and that number isn't enough for us to move forward with the program. Mrs. Tracey Haubrich will now move into a full-time EA position at the school.

- *The Giving Tree*
 - The grade 6 SWAT Team has started a Giving Tree. Starting on Monday, October 3 until Friday October 14, we will be accepting donations of new winter hats, mittens/gloves and warm socks for at risk men, women and children in the Edmonton and Sherwood Park area. All items collected will be donated to the Hope Mission.

Upcoming Events

- October 20 – St. Luke School Mass
- October 28 – Halloween Family Dance
- November 2 & 3 – Three Way Conferences

Teacher's Corner – Madam Donna Hayden

- The start of the year has been great. We have had some quick changes in staff but there have been no interruptions to the kids and their learning.
- The faith retreats went very well, and we were happy to be able to share that time together.
- As a result of me stepping into the Inclusive Learning Facilitator role, the Chaplain duties will now be taken over by Mrs. Shakeshaft.
- We are looking at booking field trips this year for the entire school. This is a more cost-effective way to do things. Trips this year will include the Telus World of Science, Royal Alberta Museum and Fort Edmonton Park.
- We are waiting confirmation of dates for swimming lessons. This will be a spring activity (April-June) at Emerald Hills.

New Business

Elections – Erin Crawley

- The Secretary position was held by Meghan Ferguson last year. She will be including her name for election this year. No other nominations or volunteers came forward. Meghan will remain Secretary for 2022-2023.
- The Vice-Chair/Communications Officer position was held by Brenda Watmough last year. She will be including her name for election this year. No other nominations or volunteers came forward. Brenda will remain our Vice-Chair/Communications Officer for 2022-2023.
- The Chair position was held by Erin Crawley last year. She will be including her name for election this year. No other nominations or volunteers came forward. Erin will remain our Chair for 2022-2023.

- The Director at Large position was held by Shelby Mistecki last year. She will be including her name for election this year. No other nominations or volunteers came forward. Shelby will remain a Director at Large for 2022-2023.

2022-2023 Meeting Dates – Erin Crawley

**All meetings begin at 6:30 pm followed directly by the Parent Association meeting*

- October 24 (Budget Meeting) * The Budget Meeting begins at 5:30 pm
- November 21
- January 16
- February 13
- March 13
- April 17
- May 15
- June 5

Classroom Lists – Erin Crawley

- These lists make it easy for parents to contact each other, send out birthday invitations etc. A Google form will go out where parents can fill in information or opt not to.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:17 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, October 24 at 5:30 pm