

St. Luke Catholic School

Better Together

School Council Meeting Minutes November 21, 2022

Attendance: Erin Crawley, Meghan Ferguson, Cathy Hinger, Carrie Knysh, Kyla Norris, Shelby Mistecki (online), Mason Hawkes (Teacher Representative), Amy Williamson (online), Shannon Blyth

Meeting Start Time: 6:36 pm

Prayer & Reflection

Opening Prayer – Cathy Hinger

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

Welcome & Introductions – Cathy Hinger

• Thank you, Mr. Mason Hawkes, for joining us tonight.

School Update

Administrative Report – Cathy Hinger

- Halloween Howler
 - It was very well received. Thank you to everyone who organized the event and volunteered their time to make it a success. It was so nice to see families together.
- Face To Face Ministries
 - We had Face To Face Ministries with us last Monday. This is a group that is sponsored by the REAL Foundation, which is an organization that works to help children grow in their Catholic faith
 - All of the kids were up and moving, involved, singing and praying. Students received a great message about how to get to know God by praying, reading the Bible, and going to church. All of this is done in a way that is relatable to kids.
- Candy Exchange
 - All donations went to the Hope Mission. It was very successful, lots of prizes were handed out.
- Parent Teacher Conferences
 - If parents were unable to make these conferences, teachers are currently reaching out to work something out.
- Book Fair
 - We were able to raise \$1500 for new books for the library. Thank you to everyone who made a purchase.

• Students enjoyed Spirit Day: Wear School Colours as well as National Jersey Day to show support for sport across Canada earlier this month.

Staff Update

- We welcome Shelby Mistecki who takes on the role of Cafeteria Assistant. She will be running the nutrition program for our students. We know she will do a wonderful job.

• 12 Days of Giveaways

- Begins December 1st. Proceeds will go to our local Food Bank and Lurana Shelter. More information will be provided in the Smore.

• Coming Soon: Spirit Wear

- The school will have spirit wear on hand to purchase. There will be a hoodie option as well as a long sleeve t-shirt, a ¾ sleeve length shirt, a toque, and socks. There will be a booth available at the Christmas Concert for parents to order items as well as the option to purchase old stock.

Upcoming Events

- November 27 First Day of Advent
- November 28 Advent Morning Celebrations Begin
- November 29 Spirit Day: Dress as your favourite animal or pet
- December 1 to 16 12 Days of Giving
- December 1 Mixing Spoon & Growing Smiles Fundraiser Pick-up
- December 3 Christmas in the Country
- December 8 Advent Concert at 1:00pm and 6:30pm
- December 20 Last day before Christmas Break
- December 21 to January 3 Christmas Break

Teacher's Corner – Mr. Mason Hawkes

- Our outdoor education option, Shelter Building, was a big success. It was the kids' favourite part of class. We were able to enjoy the last bit of nice weather and were able to build shelters appropriate for both fall and winter.
- We have been doing some Indigenous Minecraft, which is a tech portion where students can build their own world while answering questions about Indigenous culture.
- In Science 7 we have been doing an adaptation and ecosystem project. Students have been learning about the interactions of different ecosystems. In groups of three, kids come up with a creature that can live outside in our climate and provide adaptations to go along with the animal.
- Intramurals will be coming for grades five to eight.
- Basketball tryouts will happen before Christmas Break. There will also be badminton and track and field following basketball season. Grade fives will not be included in basketball this year as a new rule states that no team within EICS and EIPS can have grade five students participate.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:58 pm

Next Meeting: Monday January 16, 2023 at 6:30 pm