

St. Luke Catholic School

Better Together

School Council Meeting Minutes April 17, 2023

Attendance: Erin Crawley, Meghan Ferguson, Carrie Knysh, Kyla Norris, Brenda Watmough, Sharilynn Shakeshaft, Mason Hawkes (Teacher Representative), Shelby Mistecki, Shannon Blyth

Meeting Start Time: 6:36 pm

Prayer & Reflection

- o Opening Prayer Sharilynn Shakeshaft
- Prayer for Ukraine Sharilynn Shakeshaft

Land Acknowledgement - Done by the students of St. Luke

Welcome & Introductions – Sharilynn Shakeshaft

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

School Update

Administrative Report – Sharilynn Shakeshaft

School Highlights

- Assurance Planning with Teachers Last month we shared our assurance survey results. Now we begin planning for next year. We take these results seriously and use them as feedback to tell us what worked well and identify areas where we can improve. We then talk to the staff and spend time going through all of the questions and responses. Together, we find common themes and begin to plan for next year.
- Assurance Presentation Cathy and I will be presenting our completed plan to the board on April 20th at Central Learning Services.
- *Telus World of Science* The field trip last Friday went very well. The students had a great time experiencing all it had to offer.
- *Friendship Ceremony* During Praise & Worship we had the Worship Team singing and we did a reflection on the Gospel. As friends, we broke bread and drank "wine" (grape juice). It was a lovely, symbolic way to celebrate friendship, light, love, and joy.
- Young Authors Conference We had six students that attended this conference in Edmonton. They came away with amazing ideas and a great experience. It evoked and inspired the young authors' imaginations and creativity to become writers of the future.

- *Ozobots: Coding & Programming* The grade fours are honing their tech skills by coding and programming the Ozobots.
- We congratulate and welcome Mr. Hawkes to our Catholic family! He went through a program at our church for people who would like to learn more about participating in the Catholic lifestyle. He received the sacraments of baptism and first communion. We are happy to have him as part of our Catholic community.

Upcoming Events

- April 18 Praise & Worship 8:20 am, Father Jim visits with Grade 2 & 3
- April 19 Elder Gardnier visiting STL
- April 20 Hot Lunch, Assurance Plan Presentation to Board
- April 25 Praise & Worship 8:20 am
- April 27 Puppet Treehouse in school field trip for Kindergarten
- May 1 Bus Driver Appreciation Day
- May 2 Spring Pictures, Praise & Worship 8:20 am
- May 2-4 Adoration
- May 4 Royal Alberta Museum Field Trip for Grade 2-8
- May 5 PD Day no school
- May 9 Metis Teachings Birch Tree Art, Praise & Worship 8:20 am
- May 11 Track & Field Day (Grade 4-8)
- May 15 Catholic Education Week

Teacher's Corner – Mr. Mason Hawkes

- In ELA we are reading The Outsiders.
- Social Grade 8 Aztec. The final project was to take everything they learned and do a codex assignment.
- Grade 7 Metis history project create a graphic novel.
- Grade 7 Science heat transfer project (making thermoses).
- Grade 8 Light Maze project bend light, separate light, bring it back together.
- Sports Council Intramurals happening three days a week. The badminton team is currently competing (a tournament is coming up). We are looking forward to the upcoming track and field day for grades 4-8.

New Business – Erin Crawley

- ASCE Grant (Google Series) When discussing how we could use this grant money, the idea of Google education for parents was brought up. I got in touch with Cobblestone Collective and they have put together a 10-part series that begins on May 2nd and will run every Tuesday and Thursday for 10 weeks (handout provided at meeting on topics). The sessions are recorded so that they will be available at any time. Information will go out in the Smore so that everyone can sign up. This takes up half of our funds from the grant, so if there are ideas on how we can spend the rest of it, please let me know.
- Track & Field Day Concession We will have a loonie concession at Track & Field Day on May 11th. It takes place at the Strathcona Athletic Park. Kids will get pizza for lunch (order on hot lunch site).

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- Save On Foods Food Drive We were able to collect a couple of boxes of food and a monetary donation. We don't have much information from Save on Foods' end as to how it all went. We may suggest that a different date would work better for next year.
- Worship Team T-Shirts (Sharilynn Shakeshaft) Looking at \$10 per shirt (including printing and GST) and we would need approximately 20 shirts total. An email will be sent out to parents who have kids in on the Worship Team asking them if they would like to purchase their t-shirt. Anyone who does not purchase their shirt will hand it back at the end of the year and those shirts will be used for next year. GROUP VOTED IN FAVOUR
- Weekly Memo (Smore) Feedback It is nice to now have a two-week outlook for upcoming dates (spirit days etc.) to give parents more notice.
- Hot Lunch is open for ordering for May & June.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:29 pm

Next Meeting: Monday May 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm