

Parent Council Meeting

October 3, 2017

Attendance: Jodi, Sara, Paul, Amy, Chandra, Lynette, Yvonne, Sandra, Logan, Sophie, Zack, Courtney

Accolades

- Thank you for Leon's BBQ (\$900 profit)
- Thank you Gauthiers for guitar racks – they are amazing!!!!

Introductions

- Welcome Courtney McCarthy – Zack's mom

Contact Information

- Please write down email and cell phone contact

Student Leadership Team Report

October 23rd – Possible day to be with Salvation Army to feed the less fortunate

Lunch program – students are helping serve lunch with a rotating schedule

Stencils – students have added a few games to the playground with painting the stencils

Hat day – Thursday October 19th

Food Drive – making donations for each room, challenge each classroom, making the donation boxes for each classroom, last year we brought in 872 lbs was our amount of food last year, this will happen after Thanksgiving

Chair Report

- Jodi is the now the chair for parent association
- The ATA is going to host a trustee candidate forum next Wednesday 11th, meet & greet, question time for candidates, adding a new trustee so there will be 5 now, do we have any questions for the trustees that make the decisions that affect our school, hot topics: equality, school fees, "with the opening of the new school – how is this going to affect the other schools population?" 9 candidates that are running
- Budget review for St. Louis school

- Deacon Risling introduced us to “Growing Forward” catholic identity of the schools focusing on Parish/School relationship
- 2017-18 Strategic priorities, Enhance Catholic Identity, Inclusive education, Numeracy & Literacy, Mental Health, Technology to support student learning
- CIF (classroom improvement fund) Money that was given to our school – at our school we purchased grade 1 supports for the am programming, adding more time to learning assistances in 2 other classrooms to support students at the end of the day, JUMP math program which is based on scaffolding of skills

Principal Report

1. Emergency Protocol Review – what do you think about the communication during power outage? They used website, facebook, text, email, phone call asking to type the extension
 - Yesterday was a shelter in place (modified)
 - Example if we had a gas leak – we could go to Cape School – this could be in the message for next time?
 - The power went out, then the emergency lights went out, sinks on sensor no water, we had no fans blowing out heat, some parents called and said can we get our kids, lunch program was used to feed the kids
 - Lockdown: no one will be entering and exiting the school, no one will be answering the phones

2. School Consecration on Wednesday October 11 for 100th Anniversary of Fatima – same as all Catholic schools across the country

3. Catholic Education Sunday – November 5th at St. Patrick’s Church
 - School sponsored mass on December 10th

4. Physical Literacy mentorship program will continue – we will be working with Get Active and Leadership students to determine our focus for the year

5. Picture Day October 11th

6. School Educational plan – what would you like to see happening as parents?
 - Enhance Catholic Identity
 - Saints Groups
 - Leadership team doing the hot meal
 - Kindness every day
 - Meadowridge or Seniors center?

- Enhance student learning through actions that reflect inclusive education (FNMI, social, learning)
 - Orange shirt day
 - Pink shirt day for bullying
 - Students share their own cultures
 - Nutrition program to dedicate /recognize so that food ties in

- Develop Literacy and Numeracy initiative to ensure every student is successful
 - We are using the JUMP math program
 - Celebration of the Learning evening
 - Numbers on the stairs?

- Develop a vision for the use of technology to support student learning
 - Exposure?
 - Possibility of purchasing netbooks to make it work easier for split grades

- To provide a continuum of support of the mental health for parents, students and staff
 - The more often teachers, parents and students can be together for events
 - Access to parent's information night? Screen time? We could dedicate a parent council meeting to information night and open it up to other parents on a Thursday evening, partnering with another school? In January/February
 - We have a mental health wellness fair in the spring, leadership students, Mrs Fisher, Mrs. Richard

Treasurer

Balance - \$1795.55

Motion made by Lynette to purchase a family night out for Gauthiers as a thank you for the guitar stands– motion passed

Teacher Report

Jump math training

Christmas card – email, deadlines and timeframe

Teacher input – what is the wish list for things like field trips for this year?

Fundraising

What do we need money for?

- Skiing \$1500 was spent last
- Grade 4 & 5's last year wanted to go skiing
- Maybe skiing for 5/6's or the high ropes course?
- Look at something different for grade 3 & 4
- Zoo trip 2 years ago – do we do a big trip for grade ½

Old Business

- Kit bags for guitars
- What specifically are we asking for and what is the money going towards?
- Money can go towards the kit bags? \$500

New Business

Mojilife – air freshners (example each student sold 5 for \$20.00) commissions would be donated 15%

- Garage sale table and Celebration of Learning to promote Airmoji

Example: Pizza's \$5600, Lamontage was \$7000, Perogies \$1000

Chocolates could be \$5000 could be – \$3 a box (60% profit)

Christmas Cards – same again from last year \$500 approx

Foothills cleaners \$25 (\$5 from each card)

Otis Spunkmeyer – pizza and cookie dough

Booster Juice?

Beef Jerky - \$2.50 per stick

Little Cesear pizza – kits of frozen pizza

Drafting a letter – that states these are the three fundraising ideas, or make a donation instead

Gift card Tree – tree covered in gift cards – collect for the tree – we need a letter?

A Grand in your hand - \$10 each for tickets

Mavericks – sell tickets – your school gets \$5

Kona Ice

We decided on the Lamontagne fundraiser to be passed out soon to students with letter from Jodi

November Family Activity

- Sock hop – DJ
- Theme for dance? Hawaiian theme? Twin Day dance:6-8pm
- Twix bars, \$2 admission and snacks

Next Meeting

Tuesday November 7th 6:30pm

Garage Sale April 14th

Celebration of Learning Night on May 8th

Exciting News!

Kiwanis will be donating a camera so we can take pictures for Terrific Kids!