



St. Paul Catholic School

Together We Can Make A Difference



SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES



Date: Thursday, April 6, 2017
Time: 6:30pm thru 8:30pm
Location: St Paul Meeting Room
Prayer: Carla Santomero

Reference – WCDSB Strategic Plan (2015-2016):

1. Nurturing Our Catholic Community
2. Student Engagement, Achievement & Innovation
3. Building Capacity to Lead, Learn & Live Authentically



No.	Item / Description	Responsibility	Reference	Action Anticipated
1.	Welcome and prayer	All	1, 2, 3	School Council Prayer
2.	St Francis Parish Report	Ruthann	1, 2, 3	<p>Ruthann Shared the following:</p> <p>Sunday, April 2nd 1:00 PM: First Eucharist Meeting for all candidates for First Communion</p> <p>Wed. April 5 and Wed. April 12: Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM</p> <p>Thursday, April 6th: Final session on Pope Francis' Joy of Love. Series. 1:00 PM Mass 1:30 PM Session</p> <p>Sunday April 9th: PALM SUNDAY 1:00 PM First Eucharist Meeting all candidates First Communion</p> <p>HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE</p> <p>Thursday, April 13th: 8:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper -- Please bring food for our St. Vincent de Paul cupboards</p> <p>Friday, April 14th: 11AM - Family Good Friday Service 3:00 PM - Solemn Service for Good Friday</p> <p>Saturday, April 15th: 8:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass</p> <p>Sunday, April 16th: EASTER 9AM & 11 AM Mass times</p> <p>April 18-21: No weekday Masses are scheduled</p> <p>Weekend April 22/23: Baptisms all Masses</p> <p>Sunday April 23rd: 1:00 PM Final preparation Meeting for First Eucharist</p>

			<p>Friday April 28th: SCHOOL MASS 9:30 AM Saturday April 29th: 10AM Rehearsal for First Eucharist 5PM First Eucharist Mass Sunday April 30th: 9AM and 11AM FIRST EUCHARIST Masses</p> <p>May Events May 1 Fr. Joseph celebrates his 25th anniversary of priesthood. The parish will celebrate this wonderful milestone on the weekend of May 6 and 7. This weekend happens to be vocation weekend and Fr. Joseph will speak about his vocation at all the weekend Masses. Receptions will occur after each mass so parishioners may congratulate Fr. Joseph. In preparation for the school Mass on April 28th and this event on May 6/7 all the teachers are having the children decorate one of Fr. Joseph's favourite symbols of the resurrection—butterflies. The butterflies will be completed by April 21st and returned to the church so that Ruthann and Alice can use them as decorations throughout the church and hall.</p> <p>On the week of May 9-12 St. Francis Parish has access to the new St. John's illustrated Bible. it is the first illustrated Bible in 200 years and comes in several different books. We will have access to the Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles volume. People will be able to look at the Bible during our Volunteer Appreciation Night on Tuesday May 9th where the volume will be used as part of our evening prayer service and available for individual viewing downstairs in the hall. On Wed May 10th the Catholic Women's league is hosting an evening video talk on how the Bible was created and what some of the symbolism means in each volume. Again the Bible will be available for viewing. On Thursday May 11th The bible and an archivist from the Diocese will spend the day in St. Paul school showing each class the Bible and helping the children create their own calligraphy. St. Francis Parish is very excited to be able to help facilitate this event for the children and teachers of St. Paul School.</p>
3.	Nutrition for Learning	Elvira	Elvira reported – all is going well. They are very happy with the new food service and way of ordering food.

				Funding is good – we just sent \$800 to NFL – more to come from Mission Day
4.	Community Update	Kelly	1, 2, 3	<p>Kelly Events sent the following regarding Easter</p> <p>April 8</p> <p>Pysanky Easter Egg Decoration @ Kitchener Market 9:30am cost is \$5 and you must pre-register</p> <p>Decorate An Easter Plate @ Waterloo Region Museum (DOON) 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>Children will decorate an Easter plate in this fun workshop! For ages two to five. Decorate your own personalized Easter plate! This will be the perfect plate to leave out for the Bunny stopping by your house this year. Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Admission is \$10 per person plus HST. Membership discount applies. Capacity limited. Pre-registration required.</p> <p>Fockers Easter Party</p> <p>Easter Party Saturday April 8th from 12pm to 2pm at 63 Courtland Ave E. upstairs and there will be signs to follow. Parking is available on the right side of the building. There will be a visit from the easter bunny, crafts, games, and prizes. Admission is \$5 per child.</p> <p>April 14</p> <p>National Service Dogs' Easter Egg Hunt for Dogs And Their Families</p> <p>Kitchener: Bingemans, 425 Bingemans Centre Dr, Kitchener, at 10 a.m. Guelph: Centennial Park, 377 College Ave. W., Guelph, at 10 a.m</p> <p>Steckle Farm Easter Egg Hunt (pre-registration required) \$10 Per Child start times 9:30am and 12:30pm</p> <p>April 14-16</p> <p>Easter Eggstravaganza @ Joseph Schneider Haus</p> <p>Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. Sample some traditional Easter cheese and help the Schneiders scratch decorate Pennsylvania-German designs onto naturally dyed Easter Eggs.</p>

				Regular admission applies
5.	Budget Update Decision Making regarding Spending	Jonathan	1, 2, 3	<p>Reviewed Budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Classroom funds - add \$300 to include Spec Ed, FSL and Planning Time - Add \$500/ year for Playground Encumbrance - Would like more clarity for this item- are these funds for capital maintenance or repairs? - Still have \$3700 – - Possible expenditures – Start next year with guest speaker (Brent and Sarah Magic Show?) - - T- shirts for all students and staff – Council to pay for ½ and Carla to pay for ½ - (shirts are \$6.75 each – we will need approximately 350 shirts - cost for council is approximately \$1200 - Gr 8s – decided to donate to the Kindergarten area – would like \$300 to buy things for the area. Have also requested \$10 each (\$260) to go towards Adventure room excursion
6.	Principal's Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meg Popovich - Resiliency Survey - Summer Renovation - Mission Day - Parking Lot Update 	Carla	1, 2, 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meg Popovich is booked for May 2nd – she will speak to gr 7 & 8s, staff and parents, focus is on Resiliency - Resiliency Survey results presented – results are in line with the rest of the WCDSB – areas of concerns are peer relationships, community cohesiveness and Empowerment (safety) – staff will review and identify 1 – 2 areas to focus on as part of School Improvement Plan - Summer Renovations scheduled for 2017 – waiting for confirmation from the Board (tenders due on April 4) - Renovations will involve every area of the school in some form – including moving the office and creating an inviting entrance - Other areas include ceilings, electrical panels, lighting permanent walls in pods, water fountains, gym floor and ceiling fans, and more - Enrolment is up by more than 30 – to over 300. We are adding a class and may be getting a portable - Mission Day – May 12 in the afternoon, will do wristbands again - Parking Lot – work order has been put in to get lines repainted and we will be looking at getting more signage before By-law can do anything

				- We are on the list to have a study done at front of the school to see if we warrant a crossing guard
7.	Other issues -	All	1, 2, 3	-
8.	Future Meeting dates			May 4 th , June date TBD
NEXT MEETING: Tuesday May 4, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.				



EXECUTIVE

X	Cara Tavares	Co-Chair	X - Present
X	Deb Stiles	Co-Chair	A - Absent
X	Beatrice Powell	Secretary	R - Regrets
X	Jonathan Fischbach	Treasurer	
R	Kelly Munster	Community Representative	

VOTING MEMBERS

X	Leslie Lorentz	Early Years
R	Andrea Thornton	Primary
X	Mary Ann Pierson	Junior
X	Erin Kelly	Intermediate
X	Elvira Perez	Nutrition for Learning
A	Kerri Alves	
R	Heather Voisin	

Non Voting MEMBERS

X	Jodi Reinhart -	Teacher Representative
X	Carla Santomero	Principal
R	Ruthann Fisher	St Francis Parish Representative