# St. John Paul II <br> PARENT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES <br> Date: Feb 23, 2022 - Virtual Meeting 

In Attendance: Vera Mazurak, Robert Stecyk, AI Stewart, D.Maloney, Terra Slaby, Jeannette Adamyk, Alyssa Pratt, Jamie Dziwenko

| AGENDA ITEM |  | Time Frame |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.0 Call to Order/Prayer | Alyssa Pratt/Rob Stecyk | Called to order by Alyssa at 7:02pm. Prayer shared by Rob |
| 2.0 Territory Acknowledgement | Alyssa Pratt |  |
| 3.0 Approval of the Agenda |  | $1^{\text {st: }}$ Vera Mazurak <br> $2^{\text {nd. }}$ Jeannette Adamyk |
| 4.0 Approval of Minutes | Meeting minutes from November 2021 | $1^{\text {st. }}$. Vera Mazurak $2^{\text {nd: Jeannette Adamyk }}$ |
| 5.0 Treasure's Reports: | Vera Mazurak *Budget* | Review Budget statement. <br> ${ }^{\text {st. }}$. Jeannette Admayk <br> $2^{\text {nd: Alyssa Pratt }}$ |
| 6.0 Business Arising |  |  |
|  | 6.1 Teacher's Wish List | (attached) <br> Teachers to look and submit model number and price of coffee maker \& laminator and 1 laminator roll for review at next meeting in April 2022 |
|  | 6.2 Thank you Michelle Johnston | Assisting in the delivery of the Thank you cards for the JP2 staff |
| 7.0 Teacher's Report |  |  |
|  | 7.1 School news, activities, and upcoming events presented by Jamie Dziwenko | attached |
| 8.0 School Report | Robert Stecyk |  |


|  | School Report | COVID updates: Feb 14th masks in schools..... $35 \%$ wearing masks. Fewer kids are wearing masks. Staff are required to mask. Awaiting announcement on March <br> 1. Parents can watch athletic events as of Feb 17th. Case counts are lower as time goes on Ash Wednesday and Shrove Tuesday. Pancakes start at 830 and will be served till 915 . Feb 1 new registrations. There are several new students registered already (20-22 so far) from various schools in town and around the area <br> Kindness awards. Been a huge success. Lots of enthusiasm around the school about this. <br> Three-way conferences.......March 22 and 23. Then spring break |
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| 8.0 New Business | $8.1 \$ 500$ grant for increase parent participation | In school opportunities: for the \$500.......tabled till next time since we are considering that some of the restrictions may be lifted and we will have more options <br> IDEAS from teachers <br> Saffron <br> YEG Mental Health <br> Athlete Speakers <br> Garth <br> Prince princegarth@gmail.com I have emailed him and he gave us a couple options... we will have to discuss. |


|  | 8.2 Thiels Mother's Day <br> Fundraiser | Alyssa to get more info on Thiels <br> Gift certificates for next meeting |
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| 9.0 Set Meeting Date |  | April 13, 2022 7pm |
| 10.0 Adjournment |  | Adjourned by Alyssa at 7:44pm. |

# St. John Paul II <br> PARENT SCHOOL COUNCIL <br> MEETING MINUTES <br> Date: Sep 13, 2021 - JP2 Library 

In Attendance: Robert Stecyk, Dustin Maloney, Mandy Wiancko, Gillian Hickey, Krista Walters, Alicia Donnelly, Andrea Budgell, Terra Slaby, Christy Ford, Melanie Beer, Vera Mazuruk, Sam LeDrew, Peggy Haynes, Jaclyn Stokes, Elisa Wilson, Tracey Marshall

Call to order- Robert Stecyk
Called to order at 6:38
Robert said prayer

## Approval of the Agenda

$1^{\text {st: }}$ Tracey Marshall
$2^{\text {nd: }}$ Krista Walters

## Approval of Minutes

$1^{\text {st. }}$ Vera Mazurak
$2^{\text {nd: }}$ Sam LeDrew

## Treasurers Report

Review Budget statement - Unsure of current account standings, waiting for totals from laminator and coffee maker purchased at the end of the year. Will get account details from Carrie-Lynn

## Elections

New council nominated and voted in
Chair- Jaclyn Stokes
Vice Chair-Sam LeDrew
Treasurer- Melanie Beer
Secretary-Christy Ford

Parents looking to discuss anything school council related can email schoolcouncil.jp2@gmail.com

## Fundraising

Past years we typically start with the ADmazing Books in September. This is one of our best fundraisers, last year raised $\$ 2168.81$.
After a discussion, many parents said they order to support but don't use the coupons as they're mostly for Edmonton. Discussed other options for fundraisers.

Krista motioned to proceed with Worlds Finest Chocolates Alicia seconded motion. Voted all in favor. Motion passed

Gillian coordinating, will bring the executive full details and hoping to start selling chocolates by Early October.

Dustin suggested Sobeys gift cards, Elisa to look into co-op gift cards and will get info to executive.

## Hot Lunch

Lucille has moved on from JP2 in need of new coordinator. Mandy stepped up and will coordinate.

## Transportation Concerns

Many parents have stories about their students having bad experiences with bussing so far this year since EIPS took over. Administration has been talking to contacts on a daily basis about complaints they are hearing.
It was explained to us that the Government wanted school divisions to form partnerships and it was decided that transportation would be the route EICS and EIPS would use.

Parents looking to discuss issues can use the below contacts and are encouraged to do so.

## EIPS:

Chrysti Mannix

## Senior Planner | Student Transportation

## Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS)

P 780.417.8262

## EICS regarding bussing concerns:

## Lana Killips, MBA

## Director of Transportation

## Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 41

## 310 Broadview Road, Sherwood Park, AB T8H 1A4

Office: (780) 449-6446

## Other business

Some students have been frustrated they couldn't play soccer properly because they didn't have any way to make nets.
Christy motioned to purchase pop up nets. Gillian seconded. Voted and motion passed. Christy will look into this.

Dome swing still broken, found out it was fixed multiple times. Teachers are finding it to be a big supervision issue and students pile on and break it again. Sam will contact the builder Kim, to see if there is a way to replace it with regular swings and what that cost would be.

Yearbook is a big task and Elisa is looking for help putting it together this year. Elisa suggested the photography class help, but there is concern that teachers of this class already have a full workload planned for students. Suggestion of a parent rep for each class who could gather pictures and help identify students to ensure pictures of everyone.

## Teacher report September 2022

Presented by Kari Horiachka

## Grade 5

New curriculum for grade 5 in ELAL, Math this year
Math - Review of Number Sense, place value, addition/subtraction review
LA - Selfie, writing Joy Journals and "Dear Me" letters, starting spelling program
Science - Introduction to our Wetlands unit
Social - Map of Canada, labelling Provinces/Territories/Capital cities
Religion - Exploring our theme "Better Together", learning prayers and parts of the mass

## Grade 6

New curriculum for grade 6 in ELAL, Math and piloting Science this year
Math - Review of Place Value and large numbers
LA - Introductory Letter, Author's purpose, Parts of speech
Science - Space Unit: Emit/Reflect \& Celestial Bodies
Social - Democracy introduction: What Guides Your Decision Making?
Religion - Unit 1 - God Calls Us to Know Him: How Does God Reveal Himself to Us?

## Grade 7

Math - Divisibility rules, beginning algebra
LA - Completed 'All About Me' presentations, next we will be starting to review different grammar concepts. Our next unit focuses on narrative writing.
Science - We are learning about the Scientific Method before starting our next unitInteraction and Ecosystems.
Social - we are reviewing mapping before moving on to chapter one of social 7 -
Canadian history pre confederation

## Grade 8

Math - Perfect squares, square roots, and Pythagorean theorem
LA - Descriptive and expository writing
Science - Beginning Unit A -Mix and Flow of matter. Fluids, Solubility, density, and buoyancy.

Social - Worldviews Introduction - 7 categories that affect worldview include time, geography, values, beliefs, knowledge, society, and economy.
Religion - What is truth? A focus on the Holy Spirit, on Salvation History, and on The Holy Trinity.

## Gr. 7 \& 8PE:

We are running the terry fox loop, playing ultimate frisbee and football type games.

## Programs:

Sport for Life - co-operative and field games, tennis, rugby, hike @ Elk Island National Park, disc golf @ Rundle Park, swimming @ Millennium Place

## Sports Teams:

Cross Country - announcement forthcoming next week, 2 meets in early October Volleyball- Congratulations to all the students who made the team. League starts Sept. $19!$

## -Terry Fox Run September 22

## -Orange Shirt Day September 29

## Principals Report

Staggered entry went well.
Enrollment continues to rise with 384 students.
Students have been informed of a new no hat and no hood policy.
Extra help is being offered for certain classes in grade 7 and 8 where students can pop in for help.
Looking for volunteers to help at posts along route for Terry Fox run Sept 22nd 1:45-2:45.
Book fair planned for October 24-28.

## Next meeting

October 3rd 6:30 Virtually, link to be emailed out

## Adjourned

Chair: Jaclyn Stokes Treasurer: Melanie Beer

Vice Chair: Sam LeDrew Secretary: Christy Ford

## Virtual Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2022

| Time | Item |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6:32pm | Meeting called to order | 1 min . |
| 6:33pm | Opening Prayer: Robert Stecyk (Principal) | 2 min . |
| 6:35pm | Land Acknowledgement: Jaclyn Stokes (Chair) | 1 min . |
| 6:36pm | Approval of September meeting minutes: approved by Mandie, seconded by Terra | 1 min . |
| 6:37pm | Approval of October agenda: approved by Sam, seconded by Mandie | 1 min . |
| 6:38pm | Treasurer Report: Melanie Beer (Treasurer) <br> -we haven't received statements from Carrie yet so, nothing has changed for our budget. We are not sure where we are at. We are in the negative, just not sure how much. We need more info. | 3 min . |
| 6:41pm | Fundraising: Sam LeDrew (Co-chair) <br> Chocolate Almonds: we need to decide what we would like to use revenue from sales towards <br> -30 boxes per case. Each case costs $\$ 50.14$. We would sell boxes for $\$ 3$ each for a total profit of $\$ 39.86$ per case. <br> -There are a variety of chocolates available, not just chocolate almonds (some peanut-free) <br> - we could put the revenue towards Raz Kids (approx. \$1500) or Mathletics (approx. \$500) <br> -we would also like to get soccer nets <br> -we need to get started ASAP as we will need multiple fundraisers <br> Other possible fundraisers: Jaclyn has suggested we run a poinsettia fundraiser. Jaclyn and Sam would like more help running this fundraiser <br> -Jaclyn suggests a Sobeys gift card fundraiser <br> -Christy suggests FlipGive | 9 min . |

6:50pm Hot Lunch Update: Mandy Wiancko (Hot Lunch Coordinator)
-Hot Lunch is up and running; we just need to get it advertised to parents. We want it on all school Facebook Pages and in the S'more.
-Mandy will send a write-up to Robert to include in the S'more. She will share it via email. Ordering is open until 12:00am on October 16.
-Dates:
Tim Horton's on October 20
Boston Pizza on November 24
Subway on December 15

6:53pm Teacher's Report: Lavonne Leeson (Grade 5 Teacher and Chaplain)
Grade 5:
LA - autumn writing(sensory experience; hands-on), homophones and challenging grammatical words (such as there, their, and they're, then vs than, affect and effect, etc), letter writing
Math - place value, rounding, math stations with place value and rounding activities Science - Wetlands study continues. We had a hands on outdoor field trip last week and are looking forward to an in school hands on field trip at the end of the month
Social - Mapping, provinces, continents, and oceans
Field trip to the Fort Heritage Precinct this week (Need parent volunteers)
Religion- Rosary focus in October
Talking and learning about faith as a gift. Reading and learning about living faith Examples in the bible.

## Grade 6:

LA- learning to write entertaining beginnings using story beginning techniques. Exploring the narrative diamond. Learning reading comprehension strategies such as predicting and inferring.
Math- Finishing up order of operations and integers and heading into exploring the three different types of transformations.
Science- solar system and planets. Finished exploring the different types of celestial bodies and starting to investigate the different models of the solar system and space technologies.
Social- Finishing up Chapter 1- What guides your decision-making? Starting Chapter 2What do governments do for us?

## Grade 7:

LA- Began Unit 1: Narrative Writing, where we learn about narrative writing through the different elements of the Horror Genre. This month students will focus on literary elements, and plot, and begin writing a short story. They will also be put into groups and begin reading a Goosebumps novel.
Math - learning about linear relations, expressions \& equations
Social - We are wrapping up chapter one where we learned about the first Indigenous groups to have contact with European explorers. In the next chapter, we will be learning about the first European explorers and how their actions impacted the Indigenous people. Science- We just finished our adaptation assignment and started to learn about symbiotic relationships!

PE- We are playing flag football games this week and will start our volleyball unit next week.

## Grade 8:

LA- short story elements, short stories
Social- renaissance, chapter 2-3
Math - completing chapter 1 on square numbers, square roots, and the pythagorean theorem. Next chapter is 5: Rates, ratios, and percentages.
Science - at the halfway point of unit A mix and flow of matter. Students have learned about pure substances, mixtures, fluids, concentration, saturation, and solubility. Continuing this unit into next month.

Sport 4 Life: On ice starts this month. We will also be going to fitset ninja and participating in bowling, tennis, rugby \& field hockey.
French: autumn words, Halloween words, basic conversation continued Junior High Drama: playing with gestures and facial expression to communicate emotions, mime and pantomime, wordless skitz

## StJPII Feast Day Celebration:

Friday. October 21st

- Families are invited to join us for mass at 10:30 am in the school gymnasium.
- Looking for parent volunteers to assist in the hotdog lunch.
- Set-up
- Cooking
- Distribution
- Clean-up
- Thank you in advance!

6:58pm Principal's Report: Robert Stecyk (Principal)- 7 min.
-Robert introduces AI (trustee). Al brings greetings on behalf of the EICS Board of Trustees
-Athletics are up and running, students have brought home some silver medals -School photos are done.Retakes are in November (Date TBA)
-Truth and Reconciliation Week: we have been doing many activities to learn more about the culture and traditions of various Indgenous peoples of Canada - we celebrated Orange Shirt Day. All grade 5's were gifted new orange shirts -Star and MIPI assessments are being completed (grades 5-8). These are intensive math and literacy assessments
-Terry Fox Run: we raised $\$ 700$ which is up from $\$ 537$ last year. This is the most money we have raised since 2019.
-Volunteers: We are welcoming parents and family back into the school!
-CLS Funding Adjustment: we have a deficit vs. what was projected. Operating with $1 \%$ less than the school had last year. No staffing will be cut. Budget has been balanced.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 7:05pm } & \text { Yearbook: Jaclyn (Chair) } \\ & \text {-Elisa Wilson will be leading the development of the school yearbook again this year. } \\ & \text { Mrs.Stocker will assist. }\end{array}$
-Robert suggests that we form a parent committee to assist with yearbook creation. He also suggest that we could involved the photography students -Elisa has a layout chosen, she is waiting for the go ahead to sign the contract with Lifetouch

Soccer Nets for grades 5-6: Christy Ford (Secretary)
8 min .
-we would like to order 2 sets of soccer nets, one set for grade 5 and one set for grade 6 -we have looked into 2 types of soccer nets through SportFactor.
-grade 6 teachers have been contacted for input re: ease of set up/take down/storage of each option. We are awaiting their response SKLZ 6' by 4' portable soccer goals -Option 1: SKLZ 6' by 4' portable soccer goal. These retail for $\$ 120$ each ( $\$ 504.00 \mathrm{incl}$. Tax for 4 nets). A sturdy option, but setup and takedown could be an issue. The nets are quite large to be left up, storage could be an issue.
-Option 2: Infinity Half Moon Pop Up Goal 6’ by 3.5'. They retail for $\$ 135$ per pair (\$283.50 incl. tax for 4 nets)
-Mrs. Leeson suggests we ask the city to install permanent nets. She says that the pop up nets will blow away.
-We will revisit the nets next meeting

## 7:18pm New business:

Kindness Award: Sam will run this. Students nominate one another for doing kind deeds. This is a great way to promote kindness. We will modify the award to include more Catholic values.
-last year we handed out $\$ 10$ Caught in the Cookie Jar gift certificates and $t$-shirts (approx. cost of $\$ 30$ per week)
-Elisa would like to know if we have asked for donations from local businesses for the Kindness Awards. This is not something we have looked into. -We will revisit the Kindness Awards once we have more funds.

Budget update: we have $\$ 335.09$ in our account (spreadsheet was misinterpreted)
Chocolate Almonds: Sam would like to set a timeline for chocolate almonds -timeline is set for 2 weeks
-Christy will work on a fundraising letter

## World Teachers' Day on October 5:

Christy motions to provide teacher appreciation for World Teacher's Day passed by Terra, seconded by Sam
-31 staff total. Usually costs approx. \$110
-Jaclyn motions to budget $\$ 125$ for this which is approved by Christy, seconded by Sam.
P:ointsetta fundraiser: Sam motions to use Growing Smiles for a poinsettia fundraiser again. This is passed by Terra and seconded by Jaclyn.

## November Parent Council Meeting will be November 16, 2022 at 6:30pm in the JPII Library

7:35pm Meeting is adjourned.

Chair: Jaclyn Stokes Treasurer: Melanie Beer

Vice Chair: Sam LeDrew Secretary: Christy Ford

## Virtual Meeting Minutes

November 23, 2022

| Attendance: Robert Stecyk, Dustin Maloney, Melanie Beer, Michelle Johnston, Terra Slaby, Roxanne Riess (grade 6 teacher), Stephanie Dul, Samantha LeDrew, Kelly-Ann Cordner, Christy Ford |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by Jaclyn |  |
| 6:31pm | Prayer led by Robert | 1 min . |
| 6:32pm | Land Acknowledgement by Jaclyn | 1 min . |
| 6:33pm | Meeting minutes approval proposed by Christy, seconded by Melanie | 1 min . |
| 6:33pm | Agenda minutes approval proposed by Christy, seconded by Melanie | 1 min . |
| 6:34pm | Treasurer's Report: (Melanie) The statement from June was discussed. Expenses included the new laminator, grade 8 lunch, teacher appreciation lunch, Ricky's hot lunch and $\$ 213$ from Enhance It Embroidery. Track fees were taken out in error for $\$ 576$. This error has been reversed. <br> 2022-2023 School Year Budget <br> - Motion to remove parent hot lunch and house league expenses from the budget proposed by Jaclyn, seconded by Terra. Motion was passed by majority vote. <br> - We would like to keep the Kindness Awards (\$400), Shrove Tuesday (\$1200), Retirement (\$150), RAZ Kids (\$900), Mathletics (\$4500), <br> - Rob estimates that Mathletics will cost approximately $\$ 3000$ and RAZ Kids could be $\$ 700$. <br> - Soccer nets will remain on budget (\$500). <br> - Chocolate fundraiser (money is not handed in yet from families), we will revisit it at the next meeting. <br> - $\$ 2359$ profit from the Halloween Dance <br> - We have approx. $\$ 4800$ in the account once all expenses are paid | 18 min . |
| 6:52pm | Fundraising: (Jaclyn) <br> - Chocolate Almonds: (Jaclyn) waiting for money to come in from families <br> - Poinsettias: In progres, we will revisit at next meeting <br> - We would like to have a fundraising coordinator to keep all fundraisers organized and running smoothly. <br> - Steph Dul suggested having another school dance or event to raise funds instead of doing more fundraisers that cost families money out of pocket. | 5 min . |


|  | - We need more parents to volunteer to help if we are looking at planning more events as the executive had little to no help planning and running the Halloween Dance. |  |
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| 6:57pm | Teacher's Report: Roxanne Riess (see attached) JPII is looking for a Girl's Basketball Coach | 5 min . |
| 7:02pm | Principal's Report (Robert) <br> - Thank you everyone for all of your work on the Halloween Dance. <br> - 3-Way Conference feedback has been positive. We did some virtual and some in-person which worked well for families. We will continue this in the spring. <br> - Catholic Education Sunday on Nov. 13, thank <br> - Adoration and Benediction are happening in the coming weeks <br> - Ski Trip for Grades 7 \& 8, depending on how many applications come in it may only be grade 8s <br> - Remembrance Day ceremony <br> - The Book Fair ran towards the end of October. We are waiting for an update on the profits. | 6 min . |
| 7:08pm | Old Business: <br> How can we make the dance better for the future? <br> - Sign-up sheets, split into grades 5-6 and 7-8 <br> - More supervision: need a supervisor schedule and supervision areas to be defined <br> - Should parents have to attend? <br> - Would students from SAB want to DJ for volunteer hours? Roxanne Riess suggests we contact Don Segberg <br> - Do we want to try an afternoon dance for the grades $7 \& 8$ 's? <br> - We may look into a DJ going forward <br> World Teachers Day was a success! Thank you Parent Council for the treats. <br> New Business: <br> School Photos: We had issues with Lifetouch. They sent the photos to the wrong destination. We will likely not use Lifetouch again for photos in the future. We will look into other companies. We have already signed a contract with them for the yearbook. <br> Christmas Activities: <br> - Advent Mass (more info. to come) <br> - Activities are school-based, done in homerooms and are age-specific. <br> - 12 Days of Giving (food bank, blessing baskets, Lurana House) will be planned again this year <br> - Door decorating contest will happen again this year. Judging will be done by members of parent council <br> - Motion to give pizza party prize for door decorating (Jaclyn), seconded by Terra. Passed by all. | 15 min . |
| 7:23pm | Next meeting is set for Wednesday, January 18 at 6:30pm at JPII School in the school library. | 1 min . |
| 7:24pm | Meeting adjourned. |  |

