

Our Lady of the Assumption School Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 6:30

Attendees: Susan, Mathew, Denise, Scott, Ressa, Deena, Nancy, Cindy, Tanya, Sam (Ola Resource Officer)

Opening Prayer:

Mr. New led prayer

1. **Welcome and introductions**

Sam - City of Lethbridge Police/ OLA Resource Officer in attendance

2. **Acceptance of September 2018 minutes:**

Deena moved to approve September meeting minutes. Susan 2nd. Approved.

3. **Teachers Report:**

Mrs. Clewes - revised October and November 2018 calendar.
Deanna suggested a ADHD awareness event next year.
Scott can supply plates for pasta lunch. Please let him know if they are needed.

4. **Principals Report:**

Trickster theatre - February 2019, will need parent volunteers to assist for the week of the theatre. A volunteer Costume Coordinator will be needed - Denise will send an email asking for volunteers.

Improvement Plan

Faith Plan - sharing our bounty. Theme each month will be followed up in assembly. The food drive brought in almost 600 pounds of items to be donated.

There will be section in the faith plan addressing discipline and expectation for student behaviour.

FNMI - improve sense of belonging to school

Monitor attendance and data tracking

Suggested topics for next meeting guest speaker - **Catholic Education, Effects of Screen time.**

5. **Trustee Report:**

Mr. Tratch absent - appointments for trustees, there may be a new representative appointed.

6. **Old Business:**

Deena to review Items and events Parents Fundraising council will be raising money for in the PFRC meeting.

7. **New Business:**

There has been concern from parents regarding the doors being locked. All doors except the front door will be locked during the day for safety reasons. All visitors are to check in at the office. This is a division wide policy that hadn't been implemented at OLA until now. It is in the best interest safety of the Students that this policy be followed.

Guest Speaker:

Resource Officer Sam - The role of the school Resource Officer is to provide a liaison for the school with police services. The police have a presence in the school to help the students feel comfortable coming to a police officer if needed. It is a proactive relationship between administration, teachers, students, parents and policing.

Some of the roles the Resource Officer has within in the school are:

- Lock down practice administration has a direct line to the Resource officer in the event there is serious incident.
- Assist with difficult situations with children, parents, or others.
- Work together on safety decisions such as - agrees it is a good idea to lock the doors to monitor who is entering and leaving the building in the event a child has a parenting order. When unlocked the doors would some times be open for more than half of the day which is too much for an unsupervised door. An intruder could enter that way without anyone knowing.

8. **Adjourned @ 8:00**

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 20 at 6:30.

Tentative meetings:

January 15, 2019

February 13, 2019

March 19, 2019

April 16, 2019

May 15, 2019 AGM

June 18, 2019

