



St. Paul School Mission

St. Paul School is a faith community dedicated to providing a quality Catholic education inspired by the living word of Jesus.

In partnership with the home, parish and community, we nurture, support and celebrate the spirit of each individual.

St. Paul School Vision

In the Catholic community of St. Paul School, excellence is achieved through meeting the needs of all learners.

St. Paul School Council - Staff Room - 6:30 Meeting Minutes – October 10th, 2017

1. Opening Prayer – Gerry:

Peace of Heart:

Almighty and Eternal God, Give me, I beseech You, the great gift of inward peace. Command the winds and storms of my unruly passions. Subdue, by Your grace, my proneness to love created things too much. Give me a love of suffering for Your sake. make me forbearing and kind to others, that I may avoid quarrels and contentions. And teach me constantly to seek after and to acquire that perfect resignation to Your Holy Will which alone brings interior peace. Amen.

2. Welcomes and Apologies

In Attendance - Linsey Mabie, Gerry Muldoon, Candy Stang,, Sharla Kerr, Tami Simmonds, Louise Bridgmen
Not available - Dawn Anderson, Jackie Kraemer, Shauna Gallant

3. Approval of September minutes

Candy Stang mentioned to approve
Tami Simmonds Second

4. Additions to the Agenda

- Back to school fiesta results

Back to school fiesta we sold 10 family tickets, 1 additional taco and 62 single tickets.
Expenses \$509.07 Money Brought in \$536.00 dollars Profit \$26.93

- Library Volunteers Needed

Kim fr Library is running the scholastic book fair during November 21st – November 24th. She is looking for 3 volunteers of either parents, grandparents, older siblings to work the following times:

lunch recess 12:35 – 1:00 Nov 21, 22, 23, 24, 22 and 23

evening interviews 4-7 Nov 22 & 23

Will put on Facebook, twitter and newsletter

- Jump rope for Heart

Tammi brought up Jump rope for Heart. We will look at it as in the past we haven't done it. Will bring up again after we look into. Growing smiles plant sales. Sharla mentioned that she is going to look into Regal

5. **Business arising from previous minutes**

- Fundraising

Amazing books – we can order more books if needed. Dawn & Linsie will come sort tomorrow (Oct 11) and put together orders. We will see at that time if we need more.

Indigo made \$890.00

- Library Donation

Donation request to library for \$500.00 – they are asking the same amount as past. Move to November to see what Kim needs, as Indigo made \$890.00, library can purchase for 30% off list price on their website. There is also scholastic money that is coming in.

6. **New Business**

- Linsey would like us to get together some budget ideas. In the past we have had teacher's convention, grade 5 ski trip, outdoor Ed Gr 6, ribbons of recognition, teacher appreciation, classroom enhancement (to be spent as the teachers felt), sports day lunch, home alone, science in motion (will not be this year) shrove Tues (may be able to put together with the breakfast program now) Christmas dinner \$1000.00. Gerry noted that we will now be doing Eyes of Napis instead of Ribbons of recognition this year and that we will be using Classroom improvement funds this year to pay for that.
- Look at Science in motion for annual. Everyone agreed that the kids enjoy it and Louise mentioned from the Teachers perspective that it could always be geared towards current curriculum.
- Fundraisers : QSP in past, Bingo's , Hoodies, Amazing, Dillman, Happy Hippos. Regal. To be discussed more next meeting
- Bottle fillers are coming into the school, fridges are coming into classrooms with healthy snacks always available

7. **Chairperson's Report: Candy**

- Hoodies, did not produce well. Jill has a new supplier if needed if we want to look into again. We need to look into bears for the end of the year. Linsie will look for receipts from last order – moved to November
- School council rep at all Christian Action. Will get dates and times in advance so that we can plan. 1 week in advance would help for planning. We want to build our presence as well as bring more parents to council. Currently 5 people are responsible for the entire parent council. Alternate 1 morning and 1 afternoon.
- If you cannot make it to the meeting, please send your ideas ahead with someone so that the meeting can continue to be productive and your topics are covered

- saintpaulparentcouncil@hotmail.com is parent councils email address
- Christmas concert will be going ahead for this year. There is a parent volunteer that has offered to help classes. Everyone must stay for attendance for the entire concert. There will be a Christmas Concert committee that Jackie has started. Santa delivered gifts in the past to class rooms. We need to look for a Santa. We will ask Paul if he will be Santa this year. In the past the honorium is \$50.00 plus candy canes needed. We need a wish list from teachers and budget \$50.00 per class 12 faculty. Motion for \$680.00 1st Candy 2nd Linsie.
- Christmas supper date December 20th 2017. Candy motion Lindsie 2nd Approx 220 people to feed. We motion to do something separate for ELP and Kindergarten. We will approach the staff and see if this is something that we can do with them.
- Candy has a Thank you card that she wants everyone to sign as the signatures from Last year didn't copy

8. Treasurer's Report: Linsey

- Treasurers Report: In past we have tried to track hot lunch separate. Do we need to keep separate? Hot lunch shouldn't have a tally it should be kept as one account. In the future we will not be tracking hot lunch separate but budgeting instead for them. \$327.48 left from last year that we are allocating to hot lunch at this point.
- \$300 float was taken out at the start of the year that we are keeping out. Anything over will be deposited into the bank. Balance \$2248.23.
- Subway is coming out of the account and Admazing will go into Octobers account.
- Preparing society return for the corporate registry – we have not submitted for the last 3 years. 2015, 2016 needs to be at CRA by January 18th. Lindsie needs to go to registry office for a report. Candy is working on the annual report for the School Board as they have not gotten it for the past 3 yrs
- \$ 2028.39 was carried over from last year to cover Family Fiesta and any outstanding invoices that came through the summer.
- Service fees have been in the past \$135.00/yr. Do we have to stay with Scotia bank? Lindsey would like to meet with Scotiabank and see what else that they have to offer. Past experience for Candy and Lindsie hasn't been great. They will bring ideas next meeting

9. Administrators Report: Gerry, Jackie

- Catholic Education Forum

School families attended as well as Candy, Dawn, Jackie, Gerry. As parents 3 questions were put forward. Guidelines were no judgement, moving forward to those families who didn't have good experiences with the Catholic Schools. Chris Spearman gave a history of Catholic Schools in Canada. Candy felt it was a great experience and wants more of us to attend next year.

- Accountability Survey

PATS are not our strength. Education Quality declined a bit but still in the 90 percentile. Strengths are in Literacy and Numeracy

- FAST Update

K of C gave a donation (\$500) to keep it going. Lethbridge Immigration Services is our community partner

- Outdoor Ed.

We lost the fall dates in Waterton due to the fires. We are now looking at SABC and looking at June. The plan at this point is doing PATs first and then SABC in order to keep student productive

- SRO Classes

Rob Thibideau is our SRO . This year the school will approach with the classes that they want to participate in. In the past they have been assigned.

- Volley ball

We are looking for a coach . Starting ASAP Candy will reach out to see if she knows anyone. Need 2 people. Lunch time or Friday afternoons at 1:30. To be reviewed again at November meeting

10. Hot Lunch Report:

- Hot Lunch - \$5.25 for Subway for October
- Taco in a bag November. We will not need a lot of money for this hot lunch as we have stock left over from Fiesta

11. Teacher's Report:

- Nothing new to report. Liked the idea of science in motion yearly

12. Next Meeting

- Next meeting Tuesday November 14th 6:30 PM

13. Closing Prayer:

Prayer for October 10th

Father, sometimes I can't understand how you can bring beauty from the ashes of my life. I struggle to trust you with the broken pieces. You say in your Word that without faith it is impossible to please you, and I want to please you. I want to trust you. I want you to make me more like Jesus and use my trials for my good and your glory. Help me believe the promise of Romans 8:28. In the strong name of Jesus I ask, Amen.

14. Adjournment