



ST. MARY'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Agenda ~ September 13, 2023 ~ 6:00 pm St. Mary's Library

1. **Welcome and Prayer:**

6:00 pm

Catholic School Advisory Council Prayer

God, the source of every good gift,

Grant us Your Spirit to guide us in our responsibilities as a School Council.

May we work together in harmony for the common good;

May we listen to one another in a spirit of genuine respect;

May we encourage and reverence one another's unique talents;

May we use the gifts of the Spirit in creative Christian leadership;

May we approach our decision-making through discernment and prayer;

May we respond effectively to the needs of the children in our care.

God of Love, May Your blessings radiate from us to others as we strive to do Your will,

We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. Amen.

2. **Call to Order & Recording of Attendance:**

In attendance:

Brianna Schlegel

Bridget Gutknecht

Erin Soltys

Sebastain Henao

Erin Stewart

Cheryl Weishar

Julie Murtha

Jennifer McGrath

Jane Hartin

Mary-Beth Ho

Linda Jaime

Sol Jaime

Javier Jaime

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Nicole Sanchez

Regrets: None

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Approved by Brianna

Seconded by Erin

4. . **Approval of Minutes from May meeting:** 6:10 pm

Approved by Julie
Seconded by Brianna

5. **Election of CSAC Executive & Committee positions:** 6:20 pm

- a) Chair - Erin Stewart
- b) Treasurer - Sebastian
- c) Secretary - Jane Hartin or Paula Valcke
- d) Teacher Rep - Jennifer McGrath
- e) Staff Rep - Cheryl Weishar
- f) Parish Rep - Breanna
- g) Safe & Healthy Schools Committee - Julie
- h) Fundraising Committee - To Be Determined

7. 6. **Treasurer's Financial Report & Approval of Financial Report ~**

\$5853.93
\$3580.00 In Trust
\$699.91 HST Rebate in February 2024

7. **Principal's Report & Business Arising from Report ~** 6:40 pm

School Update

Enrolment is currently at 367 Students
15 Classrooms
French Immersion Program - 11 Students
Teacher - Wendy Tapsoba French First Language
Waiting for portable to arrive
Waiting for Board to run the numbers based on enrolment
Continue to welcome new students
Our demographics have changed - a beautifully diverse environment

Outdoor Classroom - lots of mulch but there are no seats / might be able to find someone to make benches out of wood to sit on. Ash trees are culled on our side. Depending upon the wind speed, they will not be able to use it. It won't be muddy, however. Provides shelter and shade.
We are looking at moving the fence back.
Bridget will look into the possibility of providing the seats. She will let us know.

New Language Curriculum has been released. Cathy Buchanan is working with our teachers on the UFLI program. Cathy taught in our primary division.

Mathematics Curriculum

We have a Learning Resource Teacher for Mathematics from the board office - Hailey Cook.

Open House - September 20 from 4:30 - 6:30 - Meet and Greet

Terry Fox September 22 - 1:45

Grade 8 CPR training - September 25.

Two-Pitch at the end of the month.

Sacramental Preparation is beginning.

Different locations/dates/times - must attend registration meeting and then children will attend classes.

Sports Update

Junior Teams - Grades 4-6 (at times only 5-6 will be on teams due to numbers)
Intermediate Teams - Grades 7-8

Possible Additional Classroom

This will be based upon numbers across the system. We are waiting for the board's decision.

Fundraising

Fundraising - 100 women / \$100 per woman

Bottle Drive

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| <p>8.</p> | <p>Other Business:
Possibility of hybrid model
Put CPIC on standing agenda
Set Meeting Dates for 2023/2024 school year and discuss in person or virtual meetings:
September Meeting: Sept. 13, 2023
October Meeting: October 17 @ 6PM
November Meeting:
February Meeting:
April/May Meeting:</p> | <p>6:50 pm</p> |
| <p>9.</p> | <p>Closing Prayer: Our Father ~ All</p> | <p>6:55 pm</p> |
| <p>10.</p> | <p>Meeting Adjourned:</p> | <p>7:00 pm</p> |

Next meeting: October 17, 2023

There must be a minimum of 5 parents/council members (Chair, Vice Chair (or Co-Chairs), Treasurer, Secretary and the chair or delegate from each committee and sub-committee) present in order for voting to be able to take place.

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