

École St. Mary School Council Monthly Meeting

May 21, 2026 – 6:00 pm

ESM Library

Mission Statement: To support and enhance student learning in our school community.

Starting at 6:05pm

1. Opening Prayer- Led by Justin

- Land Acknowledgement
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2. Call to Order

- Welcome and Introductions
Attendance: Brody, Malorie, Lindsay, Roisin, Jeremy, Jody, Heather, Kiera, Justin, Camille and Megan
 - Approval of Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes: **Motion** by Jeremy, **Seconded** by Malorie
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3. Reports

a. Division Report by Roisin

It's a busy time of year with lots of farewells, grad, and budget discussions.

Next budget meeting Wednesday May 27.

- Increase in staffing for class sizes, finalization on numbers aren't complete.
 - Schools are highlighting the new high school curriculum.
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b. School Report

1. School Update ~ February (Jordan's Principle, Nutrition)

2. Staffing~ Mr. Harper will be the new Associate Principal at St. Kateri, Lorraine Visser and Sarah Holley working afternoons.

Staffing- M Bap appointed Associate principle

-adding .5 FTE to = 1.0 Div 2 English

-adding 1.0 FTE for Div 1 French Immersion

- transferring Ashley Hogue FI, Jessica Maneschyn E

- returning from maternity leave 26/27 Shalyn Amonson

3. School Activities ~ Basketball, Leadership Club, Photography within

Leadership, BBBS, Go Girls Grade 4, Marian Mass, Student Wellness Retreat, badminton, Father Kevin and Father Santiago visit.

4. Alberta Assurance Measure Survey~ Grade 4 students and parents

5. Town Hall~ Wednesday, March 18 th CCH East, Monday March 23 rd Virtual 5pm

6. Grade 6 Camp Update and Fundraising ~ (Upcoming: Beef Jerky, Spring Flowers/Veggies, Kernels, Hot Dog's, Bottle Drive (ongoing,) Cookie Crimes, Joey's evening, Bottle Drive ongoing, Panago Pizza Night April 28 th . Thanks to the Grade 6 Fundraising parents!

7. Celebration of Learning/Interviews ~Wednesday, March 25 th and Thursday March 26th March 11 th and 12 th . Book Fair.

8. Upcoming: Science 3 /4 and 5/6's, STC Play (March 25 th and 26th), FLVT Play (May 5th and 6th,) SFJH Play (May 12 th , 14 th ,) Grade 6 Tours @ SFJH, Arts Alive, Father Santiago visit, Ordinary Heroes April 20 th .

Last day of school- June 25

c. Faith Report

Closing Mass is June 23 @ 9am

d. Treasurer's Report – no Wendy this meeting. Nothing new to report.

Motion to approve the minutes: *Motion* by Heather, *Seconded* by Lindsay

4. **Old Business**

- a. Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting
- b. Ongoing Projects
 - i. Mural Updates- M Baptista was wondering about setting up a sub-committee.

Quick update provided by Jeremy: Ball is rolling. Application has been submitted, it's a 6+ month wait to hear back. Waiting to see what happens with the application. Wanting to set up a sub-committee to help guide the mural.

- c. Grade 6 camp – Thanks for all the support and efforts with fundraising.

5. **New Business**

- a. Discussion of New Initiative
 - i. New ideas need to be communicated with Chair prior to meeting to ensure added to agenda
 - ii. ESM Wish List
 - 1. Change in funding for Chromebooks(request for Small IT items)
\$1200 to reallocate the money towards small IT items
Motion to change the \$1200 from chromebooks to small IT items: Heather and ***seconded*** by Jody
 - 2. Set aside funds for T-shirts?
Could allocate some money each year towards t-shirts in 3 years. Will wait for next meeting after hearing Wendy's report before setting anything in stone.
 - 3. Will wait for the treasure report before discussing anything further off the wishlist.

4. Ooff repairmen found. M Baptista was able to purchase more ukuleles .
5. \$500 school engagement funds will need to be used (Thoughts are setting up a parent library. Having a variety of books for the parents to be able to sign out)
Motion to assign \$500 to setup parent library: Judy and *seconded* by Malorie

b. Planning for Upcoming Events

i. Sports Day, Swim day.

Sports Day is Wednesday June 24

- In the past we've done hotdogs, freezies, chips, juice etc.
- Hotdog lunch with hotdogs, chips and juice box (~450) do 380 for juice boxes, some all-beef (also GF)

Henderson Pool Day Monday June 22 morning

ii. Farewell cards

Kiera will look into numbers

c. Hot Lunch

i. Next Date and location? Done for the year?

Decided we're done hot lunches for the remainder of the year.

Last Council Meeting June 11: Short meeting with Potluck or somewhere else. Voted to go out to Blancos at 7pm.

6. **Guest Speaker/Presentation**

- a. Invite M Baptista to join us for our closing meeting to talk briefly about the sub-committee and get him initiated

7. **Closing Remarks**

a. Samaritan Stars

- Jeremy- Justin you will be missed on a professional and personal level
- Brody- office staff. The Grade 6 fundraising was a big job, Sarah and Anne did an amazing job
- Kiera- parent graduates, thank you for all the work you've done over the years for the school, kids and your community
- Justin- school council thank you for your time and so much more

b. Next Meeting Date –

- i. June 11 7pm ESM, Social at Blanco
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8. Closing Prayer- led by Justin

9. Adjournment at 7:04