



École St. Mary School Council Meeting
November 5th, 2024

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ESM Library

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

1. Opening Prayer
 - Land Acknowledgement
2. Call to Order
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Attendance: Kiera Bouchard (Staff), Justin Harper (Staff), Camille Rose (Teacher Rep) Heather Wirzba, Gerriane Timmerman, Brody Prete, Malorie Enns, Andrea Koester, Wendy Hurley, Megan Prozniak, Esmeralda Gaxiola.
 - Sent Regrets and cookies - Linda Ellefson (Trustee Liaison)
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Motion Heather, second Andrea, All in Favor
 - Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - Motion Wendy, second Gerriane, All in Favor
3. Reports
 - Division Report - Linda Ellefson (Trustee Liaison) – None
 - School Report – Kiera Bouchard (Principal)

School Report – School Council Meeting November 5th, 2024

Mission: Christ-centered learning community where students are cherished to achieve their potential.

1. **School Update** ~ Halloween



2. **School Activities** ~ Volleyball, After School Skating, Basketball (January), Leadership Club, Photography within Leadership, Do Crew. Upcoming Activities: Reading Club, Lego Club, Intramurals.
3. **School Operations Update** ~CIP, AEAM, PGP, ISP Meetings
4. **Grade 6 Camp Fundraising** ~ Poinsettias Orders due Nov 17th, delivery date December 2nd. Parent Meeting Nov. 13th, 2024.
5. **Wish List** ~ https://docs.google.com/document/d/1y7cD0CS5fr1x1-LFI6AfWpm_QujTKA-f/edit
6. **Input Please** ~ Looking for feedback on whether to start presenting awards for students again. Will discuss more in future meetings.
7. **Turkey Dinner**- Monday, December 16th- Prime Catering. Delivery 11:45 am. We will be in need of volunteers please
8. **Family First Facilitator (FFF)** ~Ordinary Heroes December 9th, 2024, at St. Martha's Parish
9. **Santa's Anonymous** ~ Food Collection for specific items to go directly into hampers. We will be collecting: baked beans, canned corn, canned green beans, bags of sugar, and flour. We will also have a few other ways to do silver collections to support.
10. **December:** School Kindergarten Christmas Evening, ESM Christmas Activity Evening Dec. 19th, PJ Day Dec. 20th with assembly, Bingo. Citizenship: Santa's Anonymous Support, Angel Tree, Coats for Kids with Knights of Columbus
11. **Faith Update**
 - a. Celebration of Peace on Thursday, November 7th at 11am lead by 1KI
 - b. Hosting clothing drive with proceeds donated to Santa's anonymous during Goal Setting Evenings. Items will be pay as you can for Santa's Anonymous with items costing a minimum of \$1.
 - c. Advent Mass Dec 4th @ 9am. Dec 12 2/3PSI
12. **Other**
 - Treasurer's Report – Wendy Hurley
 - Activity since last meeting: Student fees deposited as well as earnings from Subway Hot Lunch.



- We need to start making decisions on how we plan to allocate these funds especially with the Carnival fundraiser coming up.
- Commitments so far:
 - Field Trip donations \$100 ea x 13 classes
 - Henderson Year End trip
 - Grade 6 camp
 - Turkey Dinner

Motion to accept School Report by Malorie, Heather second, All in Favor

4. Old Business

- Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting
 - i. Fundraising – Cuppers
 - a. We create our own blend. Can be ongoing throughout the year. Can do big orders and have it shipped to the school.
 - b. Need to have a specific target for our fundraising.
 - i. Technology – iPads and/or Chromebooks
 - ii. Science consumables
 - iii. Lego for Lego Club

ii. Retirement gifts, order 4-5?

- a. Mary portrait on plaque with engraved plate

Motion made by Wendy to purchase 5 plaques with a max budget of \$150, Heather Second, All in Favor. Everyone agreed to give a plaque to Mr. George for his recent retirement in June.

iii. School Council fund (Books)

- a. Table until January meeting.

- Ongoing Projects/Updates
 - none

5. New Business

- Discussion of New Initiatives (School Wish List).
 - Backboards
 - School Sign

Motion by Andrea to set aside \$2000 to go towards gym upgrades, and another \$2000 to go towards a school sign, Gerriane Second, All in Favor.

- Planning for Upcoming Events - Carnival
 - Andrea – 3 gifts (2 boys, 1 girl) – \$138.25. Baskets in the office already.
 - Pizza – 5 quotes. Gluten free options will be available. Dairy Free option will be hot dogs



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- Silent Auction. Andrea asked if the kids could also make cards as a thank you for donating to the silent auction to the many generous businesses.
- Wendy is receiving lots of donations from the Mission Thrift Store.
- Hot Lunch – December?
 - We decided December is already busy enough and a shorter month for school so we'll move the next hot lunch to January.
 - Thursday, January 16th Boston Pizza, Gerriane will connect with Sarah for our contact and organize, Wendy will help on site once again.
- Open Floor for New Ideas and Concerns
 - None
- 6. Guest Speaker/Presentation
 - Topic and Speaker Details –
 - Brody asked new superintendent if she wanted to come to one of our meetings.
 - Heather suggested Technology and Teenagers but will follow-up with more information at a later date.
- 7. Closing Remarks
 - Samaritan Stars
 - Wendy awarded a star to Gerriane for her help organizing Subway Hot lunch.
 - Kiera awarded a star to each person for attending and participating in school council.
 - Heather awarded a star to Justin and Kiera for all their willingness their help and make connections for our school council.
 - Next Meeting Date – December 11th, 2024 @ 6:00pm Social – Firestone
- 8. Closing Prayer
 - Lead by Justin
- 9. Adjournment - 7:05pm