



**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Tuesday, November 10th, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Meeting held though Google Meet platform

Attendees: Anna Young, Stevie Marwood, Richelle Glenn, Sarah Savoy, Kristy Schmidt, Jennifer Solf, Corrie Wessels, Rebecca Howat, Victoria Vajda

Regrets: Scott Reilly, Rickie Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Stevie Marwood at 7:02 p.m.

2. PRAYER AND WELCOME – Stevie Marwood

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

***THAT,** the Council minutes of September 30th, 2020 be approved as circulated.*

Moved by: Kristy Schmidt

Seconded by: Stevie Marwood

ADOPTED

4. TREASURERS REPORT – Kristy Schmidt

There is still \$5,931 in the School Council Account.

Approximately \$250 will be added from the Electronics Drive fundraiser.

5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Young discussed the following:

- Parent Involvement Grant

- \$500 from the Ministry will be added to the School Council account
- Receipts do not need to be shown – goal is to engage parents and families
- Covid Update
 - Exceptionally low numbers of any kind of sickness
 - Averaging 3-4 students away a day
 - Back in September we were averaging 12 students away a day (10%)
 - Comparatively to other years we are extremely healthy
 - School within our Board in Kingston closed this week due to three new Covid cases.
 - Schools are getting prepared to be able to shift to remote learning within 24 hrs.
- Ventilation/Air Conditioning System
 - First part of the School was built in 1950 – Fairly old
 - Goal has been set that every classroom will have a new ventilation/air conditioning system installed by January
- Milk Program
 - School will be offering the milk program again
 - Cost has increased - Milk will be \$20 for 20 milk
 - Starting up week of Nov 23rd – Pay via School Cash Online
- It was Treaties Recognition Week last week
- Remembrance Day tomorrow
 - Planning an outdoor ceremony but will do virtual if weather does not cooperate
 - All classes participated in the Legion Poster Contest and bulletin board display
- Halloween – Lots of festivity, fun and outdoor games
- School Photos
 - Received the go ahead for school photos (no mask)
 - There will be no class photos

- Sibling photos should be allowed
- Batawa Development Corporation (BDC) Christmas Card Contest
 - Children will design and submit cards by November 30th
 - BDC will use the winner's design to create a card and send to approximately 1,000 of their contacts
 - Winner will receive a Chapters gift card, a framed copy of their design and 12 copies of their card
- School Spirit Apparel
 - Suggested looking into ordering spirit-wear clothing and/or other items
- Outdoor Classroom
 - Interested in a more formalized outdoor learning setting.
 - TB Bank Environmental Foundation Grant
 - <https://www.td.com/ca/en/about-td/ready-commitment/funding/fef-grant/>
 - Potential of receiving \$2,000 - \$8,000 grant towards outdoor classrooms
 - Deadline to apply is January 15, 2021
 - Plan will be established and carried out for next school year
 - Sub-Committee from School Council will be organized by Stevie Marwood. Those interested should email Stevie by Friday November 13th, 2020
- School Facebook Group
 - Our school Facebook group will be up and running ASAP
 - Post info - Christmas concert, upcoming liturgy's, videos, live videos, photos, artwork etc.
 - Rebecca Howat made suggestions for the new group
 - Turning comments off for certain posts
 - Admin approval for all posts
 - Pinning reminders at the top of the page weekly
 - Group Administrators will be school staff (Anna, Kimmie, Richelle)
 - Moderators will be members of School Council (Rebecca, Corrie, Sarah S.)
 - Vetting members – Closed to the public

- Name of teacher, what is your legal name, may have to touch base with the school for approval. Anyone questionable will be declined.
- This will help bring the school community closer - feeling more connected, especially during these times. Some are feeling disconnected and like there is a lack of communication. This should help with the delay in receiving info to whole school community.
- Rebecca will email Anna - instructions for adding administrators and moderators.

6. PRESENTATION – Victoria Vajda

- Victoria, Mrs. Hughes, and Mrs. Glenn have begun working on an outdoor learning space for the Kinder kids.
- Kindergarten class is seeking donations of metal and wooden kitchen items – pots, pans, spoons, bowls etc.
 - Can be well loved and tarnished
 - Plastic buckets and shovels are breaking quickly
- Victoria is passionate about outdoor learning and wants to provide as much opportunity for outdoor learning as possible (no masks!)
- It has been noticed that all classes are trying to utilize as much outdoor time as possible. However, bringing equipment inside and outside frequently increases transition times, making it not as easily accessible. Juggling large items and making trips back and forth.
- Suggested that an outdoor storage box and a weatherproof lock would come in handy
 - locking, doors that open on the front and a lid that opens
 - Example was provided - \$328 from Home Depot
 - It was suggested by Corrie Wessels that a storage shed may be more practical for the long term and to make equipment more accessible for other grades/cohorts as well.
 - Anna will investigate the logistics of placing a new shed on school property.
- The storage box and shed will be discussed again in future once more info is attained.
- Mrs. Lanthier's father has offered to construct a mud kitchen for the kinders, as well as picnic table(s).

- The cost for materials for 2 picnic tables and a mud kitchen would be roughly \$300.
- Victoria asked if School Council would fund the cost of materials for the two picnic tables and the mud kitchen

Council voted and agreed to donate \$300 towards the purchase of materials for two kid sized picnic tables and a mud kitchen.

7. NEXT MEETING – Tuesday December 1st @ 7:00 pm

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.