



St. Francis of Assisi School Council
October 11, 2017 @ 4:30pm

REPORT OF THE MEETING

1. Prayer

The prayer was recited together

Catholic School Council Prayer

God, the source of every good gift, let us pray that all of us will experience a sense of warmth and welcome, and that there will be a rich sharing of ideas, talents and enthusiasm as together we go about our work of helping our children to grow and learn.

Help us recognize your presence in one another. Inspire us to listen with attention and patience, to share with courage and generosity, and to welcome the ideas of all. May this meeting of ours strengthen our friendships, build our communities, and increase our confidence in ourselves and our schools. Amen

2. Acceptance of September Minutes/ Acceptance of New Agenda

The Agenda of the meeting submitted was adopted without any amendment

3. Correspondence & Misc Notes (if applicable)

4. Old Business (if applicable)

a. Confirmation of voting members

In addition of the document that was prepared to highlight, the role of the voting members was explained. As can be seen in Annex1, the school council has now 11 voting members.

5. Treasurer's Report

a. Summary of Accounts/Balances

A summary will be provided at the next school council meeting. There has been a delay in setting up accounts due to the closing of accounts (from Holy Family, St. Peter and St. Patrick) and the transfer of funds to a new account (for St. Francis).

6. New Business:

a) Process to develop and adopt our constitution

A sub-committee will be formed to review and develop the constitution for the St. Francis of Assisi School Council.

b) Christmas Dinner will the tradition continue?

It was adopted that we keep the tradition of Christmas dinner open to everybody.

c) 2017-2018 fundraisers

Different ideas were discussed to assess for what reasons and types fundraisers should be made. Some the ideas that came out were:

Reasons

- new chairs for the school
- Spiral Wear
- Sport equipment
- Etc.

Types

- Pop Corn
- PIZZA
- MacMillans

It was proposed to summarize all the ideas (vendors, reasons, types) and make a vote. The school (teachers and students) should be involved as well.

Chris informs that an information session will be held in the school next week and the school need will be assess at this occasion.

d) Review hot lunch ideas

Hot lunches can be served in school one a month. Two people in the school council has the licence that can be used for this purpose. The price can vary between \$3 to \$4.50. To make it balanced, and to into account students and parent interest, it was approved to make variation between hot dogs, hot lunches and assess to see the student preferences.

e) Development of by-laws specific to SFOA

This will be created by the sub-committee putting together our constitution.

f) Suggestions for educational funding with school Council monies (ie special presentations, guest speakers, an arts project)

Chris will present the goals of the school during the next meeting. This will help what the school has and where the needs might be. The school is welcoming excellent ideas for special presentations.

g) Confirmation - grade 7/8 November 30

About 50 students will be confirmed on Nov 30. The school council discussed the idea of renting robes for the students to have the same outfit. Between the two meetings, the renting price will be assessed with the diocese.

h) Discussion regarding the spot where the little fence area is behind Friar Jim place?

There are still works being carrying out in the school. By November this area will be completed and the problem will be resolved.

i) Discuss official Facebook page

An official Facebook of the school is under development. This will link the tweet directly to the Facebook page. A consent form has been sent out to parent to make sure that only pictures of those who consent will be displayed In the Facebook page.

j) What can council funds be used/not used for

This idea was discussed with the school authorities. As there is a lot of gray areas, SFACS will write its constitution that will specify the usage of the funds.

k) Extra project for school from one of our students.

- A project of a student involving all students in the school and the money collected given to Human Society
- Garage sale and the money collected used to fund other activities in the school
- Other ideas will be assessed during the school information session of next week

7. Principal's Report (Dan)

The principal presented the school report of the month September – October 10 which is summarized in Annex3. The grand opening of the school will be on Dec. 13, 5-7 pm. The council is invited at this occasion to provide some help.

Chris also gave a presentation about Spirit Wear 2017. They are the cheapest vendor from his assessment with good quality and the money goes directly to them.

8. Motion to Adjourn

At 6pm.

The next meeting will be November 01, 2017 at 4.30 pm.