



## St. Nicholas

Catholic School Community Council Meeting

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**Date/Time:** January 11, 2021 @ 6:00pm

**Location:** Virtually Via Microsoft Teams

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**Present:** Megan Bloos, Tasha Thompson, Danielle Istace, Bridget Spicer, Carlene Horan, Ryan Pattullo, Tamara Christensen, Janine Fischl, James Wahl, Larry Fuchs, Tanis Melanson, Lauren Toppings, Jolene Robson, Amanda Stinson, Tricia Kaminski

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### 1. Welcome (Tasha)

### 2. Opening Prayer (Larry)

### 3. Adoption of Minutes

-Bridget moved to adopt minutes: seconded by Lauren. Motion carried.

### 4. Adoption of Agenda

-Ryan moved to adopt agenda seconded by Tanis. Motion carried.

### 5. Admin Report (James & Larry)

- Lenten Grams will be sold for \$2 a piece. Lenten grams are similar to candy grams, but they are pretzels.
- Part of Lenten plan is the Hot Lunch money raised will go to Holy Family Parish.
- There was a Lenten calendar sent home with students with activities.
- Reconciliation- not sure if we are able to do it or not because of guidelines around COVID.
- March 17<sup>th</sup> is Lenten Mass
- Dan Clark from the Riders was in for an Anti-Bullying presentation.
- Reading incentive was a huge success and we are trying it with Math this month.

### 6. Old Business

#### 6.1 Virtual Events (Tasha)

- Love of Reading Challenge was well responded to on Facebook
- March Math Challenge will start soon. Math riddles will be posted to Facebook. Send in answers to be entered for family prizes.
- We will do the same three prizes for \$25 each. Lauren volunteered to put prizes together.

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## 6.2 Teacher Appreciation (Tasha & Tanis)

- Another successful year.
- We supplied treats and lunches to our staff everyday plus a gift bag of treats and a lunch to Sacred Heart Staff.
- Our school families were very generous with donations this year and each staff member received a gift card, and a gift from Feathered Rose. Also, a photo session was donated by Jocelyn Gerspacher that was won as a draw.

## 6.3 Growing Smiles Fundraiser (Tamara)

- This will start on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Orders will be accepted until April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Orders have to be submitted as a school for April 21<sup>st</sup> for delivery of May 5<sup>th</sup>
- We will run pick up the same way as for the Christmas wreaths. Three blocks of time for parents to sign up for.

## 7. New Business

### 7.1 RCSD Linkage Meeting (Tasha & Tricia)

February 24, 2021 via teams with Dave Magnusson

- Grade 8 Farewell will be the same as last year.
- September 2021 begins a new Education Plan with 10-year outcomes. Due to COVID they have created a three-year interim of outcomes:
  - Grade 1-3 focus on literacy and numeracy. Also addressing the pandemic learning gap and mental health.
- Results from January parent survey was 79% at elementary level. Most are still in support of Level 2 but more than half support going remote again if needed.
- Ensure we use Government grants by year end.
- Reminder to check the parent portal for marks.

### 7.2 Playground Pavement Refresh (Tasha)

- Group of parents to meet on the weekend to paint the games on the playground once the weather warms up.
- School to supply the paint.
- Tasha to send out email to ask for volunteers.

### 7.3 Cheer Fund

- Two Cheer families were discussed. A gift for each family was agreed upon.

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## 8. Financial

- Final total for Staff appreciation came in at \$809.26.
- Last year the division grant was \$1982. We have only spent about \$585 on approved upon expenses that can be used toward the division grant.
- Options to use the Division Grant as discussed at meeting.
  - Buy gift cards for community schools. (would have to check and see if that is an option.)
  - Go to grocery stores and ask if they would create food baskets with a certain cost to donate.
  - Do year end gift card/voucher to every student.

This will be tabled until next meeting. If we have any other ideas to pass along to Tasha. She will compile and present next time we meet. Receipts for Division grant have to be in by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm**

**Tentative Next Meeting:** April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:00 pm via MS Teams