

St. Joseph School Council Minutes

DATE: March 24, 2011

CHAIR: Helen Taylor

RECORDER: Kathleen Edwards

PRESENT: Lorrie MacKenzie, Mrs. Nurton, Franca Beifuss, Kelly DiLapo, Kathleen Edwards, Maria Rosiana, Nicole Santin, Sandra Skingley, Helen Taylor,

REGRETS: Maria Arnott, Lisa Venzon, Sandra Waller, Beth Wood

GUESTS:

Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Required	Responsible/ Deadline
1.0 Opening Prayer			
	Spirit of Justice		Lorrie MacKenzie
2.0 Adoption of Agenda			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quorum was not attained however the adoption was unanimous 		
3.0 Review of Previous Minutes			
2.1 Review of previous minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2010 were reviewed and approved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to accept minutes – Kelly, seconded Nicky, unanimous 	
4.0 Business Arising from Meeting Minutes			
4.1 Financial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie gave report on monies available being \$1066.81 ▪ Hot dog lunch sales amounted to \$259.00 profit. ▪ Lorrie made a request of council to pay for SCOEP for a financial hardship case in grade 8. Quorum was not available for the meeting but it was agreed by the board to put this motion to a vote by email ▪ Bingo Monies: Maria Arnott unavailable to give report but Lorrie informed the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helen to email all council members for a vote. 	Helen Taylor

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	Council as to the balance of \$8076.33 as of December 31, 2010. There were no cheques in November 2010, and monies were paid to Avondale for Nevada tickets, and payment of a Municipal fee done in December 2010. Costs related to sports events and field trip busing costs (Jan-Mar) have not been taken out of Bingo funds as yet		
4.2 Principal's Report	Trivia Night - deemed a success with a profit of \$4500.00 being raised		
	New Superintendent – the School Board has announced that a new Superintendent will be hired in the near future as the current Superintendent – Rob Ciarlo has retired		
	JK Registration – currently there are 8 new students registered for the September 2011 with 2 more students yet to finalize the registration. Some interest has been seen from the closing of Crowland Public School.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ongoing evaluation of registrations ▪ All staff 	
	Mid- Year Priorities Review –a Power Point presentation was sent out giving a report card on performance. It was an informational piece showing whether goals are met.		
	Kids Helping Kids Campaign – a total of \$475.00 was raised due to cookie sales and other various fundraisers for the week.		
	Staffing: Maternity Leave – Mrs. Heaton has been blessed with a baby boy named Baron and Mrs. Cargnelli has had a new baby boy named Andrew. Mrs. Kathleen Buonocore is replacing Mrs. Heaton and Mrs. Joanne Gustyn is replacing Mrs. Cargnelli for the remainder of the year.		

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	<p>Development & Peace/Share Lent – some new activities will be carried out this year at school such as April Foolishness games with pennies.</p>		
	<p>Collaborative Inquiry for Learning Math Initiative – workshops led by the board Numeracy Coach were held at various schools including St. Joseph to address a way of teaching using 3 point problem solving and co-teaching methods. Deemed more difficult in a smaller school it still had positive results using Mr. Bernardi and Mrs. Reidy working together. St. Joseph was chosen as a pilot school for the Intermediate division.</p>	Mr. Bernardi, Mrs. Reidy, Mrs. MacKenzie	Remainder of school year and in to next year
	<p>District Review – School Effectiveness – on February 22, 2011 School Board personnel came to St. Joseph to ensure priorities are set to improve students etc. This is done on a 3 year cycle. A focus was on “How to Bump Up Work”. The Superintendent and 2 Principals watched and observed the classes. An opportunity to change and improve learning centers was advised and the school was given the resources to address this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All staff 	March-June
	<p>Interactive Bright link Projector – Gr. 7/8 has received the new tool used for manipulating data. It works like a white board but has ability to save data. It is made up of a projector, whiteboard and computer which work together. It has been delivered to St. Joseph with installation in the near future.</p>		
5.0 Committee Reports			
5.1 Bingo	<p>Bingo – refer to Financial Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Another insert will go in to the April newsletter requesting assistance. ▪ As well signage will be set up at the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ newsletter to encourage parents ▪ front foyer display 	Lorrie Lorrie

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	front of the school in the foyer for parents who wait for their children in the school.		
5.2 Hot Dog Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nicki reports it makes for a great fundraiser and is able to handle this on her own. Sub days were discussed and Nicki to get back to Council on her findings. It was discussed that the Council may do sub day rather than relying on an outside source. 	Investigate Subway for costs for prepared subs	Nicki Santin
7.0 New Business			
7.1 Policy Vetting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nutrition Policy, Environmental Stewardship - Emails have been sent out to Council members and feedback is yet to be received. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Send comments to either Helen or Lorrie 	Helen/Lorrie – see individual deadlines
7.2 Healthy Schools Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ministry Initiative – St. Joseph is applying based on our successful daily Breakfast Programme and for the involvement of the Public Health Nurse in co-teaching with the teachers on healthy lifestyles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School to continue 	
7.3 School SMART Goals Revised	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on the District Review the school will continue to focus and refine the literacy initiative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School ongoing review 	School Improvement Team - ongoing
7.4 Pasta Fundraiser	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The date has been set as May 17 for the Spaghetti dinner held at the church hall. Council discussed how funds raised may help out a school family in need. Helen was to contact the family to see if they would be willing to accept funds and if so then it was agreed that a portion of money raised would go towards both the school and the family. The evening would also include other fundraisers i.e. Silent Auction, 50/50 draw etc. Motion to accept that Council approach the family in need -vote was unanimous. It was deemed that the dinner was to be family with no alcohol sales. The actual dinner will be coordinated by Kelly, Franca, and Nicki. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helen to contact the Marcantonio family 	Kelly, Franca, Nicki to work on the food portion. Helen, Maria R. to work on the raffle, 50/50 portion. All to report back at the April council meeting.
8.0 Correspondence			
8.1 Thank You	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thank you card from Mrs. MacKenzie for the mass offered. 		
8.2 CSC Convention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Annual CSC convention at Blessed Trinity invitation 		

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9.0 Old Business			
9.1 Water Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie reported that the water tested at St. Joseph was fine with a report sent to all council members. It was done as a request for the Breakfast program at the school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completed 	
9.2 School Photography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie inquired as to whether council still wanted to pursue this as all companies are competitive in terms of pricing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No clear decision made 	
9.3 School Agendas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Questions as to whether these are company or board produced. Lorrie shared that it is now a requirement for all schools to purchase agendas through the board. Currently Bingo monies cover the total cost of agendas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None – school to continue to order agenda through the board 	
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10.0 NEXT MEETING			
10.1 NEXT MEETING	<p>1. Next Meeting – April 14 @ 6:30 pm</p> <p>Extra meeting date set to discuss Pasta Night on May 17 with May 12 being last meeting.</p> <p>*At this meeting an Elections sub-committee needs to be established for the school year 2011-2012 for September council elections.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to Adjourn – unanimous 	