

St. Joseph School Council Minutes

DATE: November 18, 2010

CHAIR: Helen Taylor

RECORDER: Kathleen Edwards

PRESENT: Lorrie MacKenzie, Ms. Bambara, Franca Beifuss, Kelly DiLapo, Kathleen Edwards, Maria Rosiana, Nicole Santin, Sandra Skingley, Heather Solomon, Helen Taylor, Beth Wood, Kristin Gruchot, Scott Taylor

REGRETS: Maria Arnott, Lisa Venzon, Sandra Waller

GUESTS:

Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Required	Responsible/ Deadline
1.0 Opening Prayer			
			Lorrie MacKenzie
2.0 Adoption of Agenda			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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 October 1, 2010 were reviewed and approved ▪ It was agreed to send copies of minutes out to members a day before future meetings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to accept minutes – Maria, Kelly - unanimous 	Helen, Kathleen
4.0 Business Arising from Meeting Minutes			
4.1 Financial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie gave report on monies available on account being \$283.03 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	
4.2 Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Eco Club - a push for eco club was realized. Litterless lunch being focused on by having each class weigh in the garbage left after lunch for the month of November. The class with the least is recognized on morning announcements. ▪ Friday afternoons for the month of November are set aside for the school Lights Out campaign. Halls, classrooms have lighting reduced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Recognition Assembly was held at Lakeshore Catholic whereby this project was recognized as year-long focusing on energy conservation & waste mgmt. Mrs. Heaton attended with 3 members of our Eco Team. 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lock Down - lock down practice was put in place It involves 2 internal (threat outside – keep students in) 2 external (threat inside) keep students outside. It involves an organized checking system for specific areas of the school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Required twice per year. 	Lorrie
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progress Reports – new methods of reporting on students progress was implemented by the Board. Parent interviews were available to help explain the new system. Specific language is used for all schools to keep everything consistent. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bullying Awareness Week – was lead by Mrs. Stefanik. Different forms of bullying were discussed. ▪ Staff decided to target disrespectful behaviour, no body contact, and bullying. ▪ Students are encouraged to discuss incidents with teachers and call are made home for serious cases. ▪ Pink was worn by students and staff to support the awareness of bullying. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Technology Blueprint – Vision 20/20 – the Board is forming a committee that is required to report by Feb 2011. ▪ Possible new technologies include iPods in class, wi-fi access in schools. May prove to be too costly. Some 7000 computers need updating. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How this affects St. Joseph will be determined later. 	Lorrie
5.0 Committee Reports			
5.1 Bingo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ was successful but had some minor problems to address. The group agreed to work together and delegate the jobs needed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Suggestion to list Bingo dates in the newsletter to encourage parents to come and support the bingo nights. 	Committee Lorrie
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bingo Fund Dispersements ▪ \$182.00 - pumpkin patch trip, ▪ \$181.00 busing for cross country meet ▪ \$579.69 for new sports jerseys out of 		

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	Nevada funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$148.20 busing for girls soccer ▪ \$572.75 school agendas 		
5.2 Prayer Garden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sandra & Heather suggested using the gift card funds (\$100) to purchase mulch to freshen up the garden come spring. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	Sandra & Heather - spring
7.0 New Business			
7.1 Principal Profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ form sent out by Helen so comments could be added. Smaller school issues and busing were some items discussed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Send completed profile to board office 	Helen - December
7.2 Policy Vetting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ input due Dec. 10 which can go directly to the Board or Lorrie MacKenzie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	
7.3 December 13 Potluck Dinner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a 50/50 draw to be implemented at dinner which funds are to be used for St. Joseph School. Fr. Ron to be invited as well as parish members. Date to be placed in church bulletin and school newsletter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	
7.4 Trivia Night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Rudachuk to organize this event. A volunteer meeting scheduled for Dec 8. It was suggested to contact Frank @ Meridian Bank to help to plan this event. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 	Lorrie to follow up with Mr. Rudachuk.
7.5 CSC Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a comparison 2009-2010 budget was used as a guide for the 2010- 2011 Budget. ▪ Future expenditures were discussed such as trophies, crosses, plaques for the students. ▪ Previous budget allowed for \$756.20 with funds coming from Silent Auction and gift card fund raisers. ▪ Some future ideas for fund raising were suggested such as pasta dinner, dance-a-thons. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A tentative date of 3rd week of May is planned for the pasta dinner. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New this year was added a Christmas poinsettia & gift card sales using Stevensville Garden Gallery. Vouchers are used with 20% of sales returning to the school. The vouchers for the plants and gift cards are to be distributed on Monday Dec 6. ▪ Heather approached Stevensville Garden Centre is they would be able to provide the same service for the Easter Lilies. No report on this as yet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It was reported by Heather on Nov 30 sales totaled at \$600.00, which resulted in \$120.00 funds for the school. 	Heather - April

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to have a lunch fundraiser of 10 per year was made by Franca which lead to the idea of having a hot lunch committee with Lorrie to help and have Lilly to lead. 	Motion to accept – Heather, Beth	Lilly January
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Photo Studio advertisements 		
-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion focused on possibility of looking at other studios 	Lorrie to arrange for different companies to do a presentation to council in the spring.	Lorrie - April
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Strategic Directions & Priority for Council Binder - presented 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board Budget - presented 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Niagara Catholic District School Board Award of Distinction previous winners include the founding Priests & Sisters. Requirements such as good leadership, have an identifiable impact are some qualities that were noted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Board is asking for “A Call for Nominations”. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Old Business Binder – used to organize events month by month. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie is working up the updates for this project 	Lorrie
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Breakfast for Learning - \$3,181.00 has been allocated for St. Joseph with more funds coming in January. ▪ Water testing has been requested for St. Joseph school with 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lorrie to contact Board to have this done. 	Lorrie
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bingo Budget Adjustment – Athletic Line – budget for \$1600.00 set ▪ – an increase of \$600 came from Nevada Funds for the purchase of sports jerseys. 		
8.0 NEXT MEETING			
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