St. Denis Catholic School Council <u>MINUTES</u> September 20, 2022

1. Greeting-V. Wegelin

- Role Call: V. Wegelin, T. Lee, D. Korsmit, B. Humble, J. Foster, C. Bartlett, M. Iorio, K. Janes, K. Buczek. Regrets: C. Locke, T. Wadeson.
- Table introductions of current and new members.
- 2. Opening Prayer-T. Lee
- 3. Declaration of new Catholic School Council 2022-2023
 - Declared

4. Review of Catholic School Council Policies/Regulations

• Catholic School Council Guidelines Distributed and reviewed, please read in detail at home.

5. Selection of New Catholic School Council Positions-Chair/Recording Secretary

- Chair Re-Elected Brad Humble
- Recording Secretary Diane Korsmit
- 6. Principal's Report-V. Wegelin
- Everyone has welcomed very warmly the new staff and myself! Our new staff members are Paula Santo- our grade 3 teacher, Danielle Barone -our FSL teacher, Mrs. Bartok and Miss Dwumaah our new Itinerant Arts teachers, Mrs. Clapp and Mrs. Gracie our new Educational Assistants, and Mrs. Weidinger our new ECE.
- There have been some improvements around the school this year. We had 30 cameras installed inside and outside of the school building, for security purposes. This is happening in all schools. Principal Training to come.
- We will be having regular fire drills (6/year) and lockdown drills (3/year) at the school.
- Our SNAC Program is up and running this Thursday, Sept. 22, 2022. Government funded. Healthy SNAC provided for each student each day in the morning.



• As a school we are continuing to focus on literacy/numeracy as our main focus in academic improvements this year. A new Math curriculum is being used this year called Math Up. This program has consistent overall expectations throughout all grades and time for consolidation in Grade 8. There are 151 fewer expectations. Foundational ideas developed in the early grades.

There are high impact instructional practices such as: direct instruction, learning goals and success criteria, problem solving tasks, math conversations, teaching about problem solving, small group instruction, flexible groupings and deliberate practice.

• A new focus in literacy in the primary grades is using sound walls to teach the students sounds to assist them with reading. A new program called Haggerty will also be used.

7. Staff Report-T. Lee

• Upcoming events:

-The Terry Fox Run will take place on the week of September 23, 2022. Students will be walking the perimeter of the schoolyard and junior and intermediate students will walk on the trail. We will be encouraging all students to wear red and white and their favourite sneakers.

-Orange Shirt Day should be held on Friday, September 30, 2022. Students can wear an orange shirt to acknowledge this Important day.

-Holy Childhood Walk will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022.

-Thanksgiving Liturgy being held virtually on Friday, October 7, 2022

-Picture day is held on October 20, 2022. All students are reminded to bring their best smile.

8. Correspondence

- None
- 9. New Items:

A. Goals for this upcoming year



• Night at the Ice Dogs scheduled for Feb. 7, 2023. Victoria to inquire if singing O'Canada is still possible.

B. Fundraisers

- Ideas brought forward Box of Cards, Little Caesers Pizza, Cookie Dough, Silent Auction, 12 Days of Christmas, Trivia Night.
- Other events discussed Christmas Gift Shop, Turkey Dinner Mrs. Iorio and Ms. Janes to inquire and get quotes.
- We will continue with 12 Days of Christmas, tradition and generates good funds for the school. Looking for 12 \$100 donations to use as prizes to maximize profits.
- Will check with Miss MacSporran if Trivia night is possible.
- Would like to run poinsettia fundraiser for grade 8 grad. Was successful with just staff last year. Will open up to whole school community. Will run early November before 12 Days of Christmas.
- Would like to hold 2nd fundraiser in spring ~ April
- Balance fundraising for time and to not overwhelm community.
- Play Day June 27, 2023.
- Staff Wish List New Speaker system in the gym. Cost? Victoria to check in with board about supplier. More tech in classrooms Chromebooks, & T. V.'s.

C. Guest Speakers/virtual

• Victoria inquiring about Q Mac – NBA Performers/Entertainers – message about bullying.

10. Agenda items for future meetings

11. Adjournment

12. Closing Prayer

Next Meeting Dates: November- November 1, 2022 6:30pm in library January- Virtual – January 17, 2023 6:30pm April-May-

