

School Council Minutes
October 22, 2019

Attendees: Carrie Keylock, Kristin Faechner, Jamie Flett, Carla Noble, Cathy Cameron, Lynn Entz, Michelle Doucette, Katherine Seymour, Chris Osicki, Tracy Trieber, Kathleen Adair, Bridget Green, Tennille McRae, Corie Blais, Michelle Borle, Nicole Steele, Murray Hollman (RDCRS Trustee), Courtney Lyons

1. **Call to order** - Carrie Keylock – 7:00 pm
2. **Opening prayer** - Bridget Green
3. **Introductions of attendees**
4. **Approval and/or changes to the agenda**
 - moved to approve changes Bridget Green, second Lynn Entz
 - a. Murray Hollman – add 7d. Trustee Report
 - b. Add to New Business
 - Swim lessons
 - Screen time at lunch
 - Newsletter
 - Event Sign
5. **Approval of last meeting minutes** – AGM September 2019
 - moved to approve Bridget Green, second Tenille McRae
6. **Proposed Amendments to the SES School Council Bylaws** – see attached proposed amendments/bylaw handout. Discussion/motions.
 - Bylaw #1** – *motion to approve Katherine Seymour, second Lynn Entz*
All in favor
 - Bylaw #2** – *motion to approve Katherine Seymour, second Corie Blais*
All in favor
 - Bylaw #3** – SES does not have a special events coordinator
Motion to approve Tenille McRae, second Bridget Green, All in favor
 - Bylaw #4** – add qualified volunteers, qualified having a criminal record and vulnerable sector check completed and submitted to the office
Motion to approve Corie Blais, second Michelle Borle, All in favor
 - Bylaw #5** – Carrie Keylock motions to proposal to strike B from this bylaw *motion to approve Lynn Entz, second Michelle Borle, All in Favor*

Bridget Green motions to propose the removal of “typically but not limited to the second Tuesday of every month” from section C
Motion to approve Lynn Entz, second Michelle Borle, All in favor
 - Bylaw #6** - Cathy Cameron motions to amend bylaw 6 to reword to: In accordance with the school council’s regulation, the school council will provide meeting minutes and treasurer’s reports as a summary of activities & finances. As well as, to keep the last bulleted point.
Motion to approve Corie Blais, second Bridget Green, All in favor

7. Reports

- a. **Principal's Report** – see handout of Principal's Report as attached *Cathy Cameron* explained the Read-A-Thon to council and that it is the one and only fundraiser SES completes in a school year.

Tracy Trieber shared that Hailey Khatib has spear headed Edsby help within the school as well as organizing the parent sessions that are held after school. Asked if Edsby is staying, yes it is here to stay. Parents are encouraged to provide feedback through Edsby feedback or the school.

- b. **Treasurer's report** - Jamie F.

-Read-A-Thon will cover this years budgeted expenses (reveal amount raised to happen on Friday October 25 in front of the school body).

-Field trip amount allocated is per child per classroom

-Library budget for replacing books that get lost or ruined through the year

-Staff appreciation is to provide meals for the staff during parent teacher interviews

-Social justice budget is used for SES Sponsor Child

-Carnival costs should be recouped from donations then donate the remainder to SES's chosen charity

-Teacher requests is a budget for Kindergarten Abel for Mother and Father Day gifts/activities

-School musicals budget allows students to attend musicals at varying schools in the division (majority of cost covers transportation).

- c. **Committee Reports:**

- i. READ A THON – Carrie Keylock – read-a-thon was very successful

- ii. FRIENDSHIP MEAL (October 27th) - Joanne G. – chili and buns have been ordered. Enough volunteers have signed up to help at Sacred Heart Church

- iii. HALLOWEEN FAMILY DANCE (October 30th) - Tracy D. (absent), Tracy Trieber stated that DJ Sabotage has been booked for the dance, he is a student of RDCRS from Sylvan Lake for the dance. The dance will run from 6-7:30pm.

- d. **Trustee Report** – Murray Hollman

Went over RDCRS Board Meeting Highlights (will be posted on the Parent council board). Touched on Accountability Report. Cultural Services building has been handed back over to RDCRS and will house financial services once current renovations are complete, St. Pat's is ahead of schedule and under budget. The provincial budget is on his radar, at time of meeting it had not been released yet.

8. **Council Budget** – Review of Proposed Budget for Council Year. See attached documentation. Discussion/Changes/Motion to Approve Council Budget.

Motion to approve 2019/2020 budget Bridget Green, second Michelle Doucette, All in favor

9. **Playground Funds Remaining – approximately \$3200.**

- a) Volleyball nets/setup update – Kathleen Adair – Ms. Adair organized to have holes drilled (they were already in the gym but needed to be dug out). Ordered volleyball nets and poles for \$1690.10. Everything has arrived and is set up, read to go. Way to Go, Kathleen!!

- b) Pedal desks – Carrie Keylock – pedal desks are expensive and difficult to transport. Found an alternative – pedal unit that sits under the desk and is easily accessible to all and can be easily transported. Cost of pedal unit is about \$250.00

10. New Business

- a) **Skates – donate to school? Who would manage this?** We are looking to acquire about 10 pairs of skates through donations with suggested sizing 12 – 6, as this will allow every age to use if they need skates.
- b) **Upcoming Events** – Giving Tree – Kristin Faechner, Parent/Teacher Interview Meals – Katherine Seymour
- c) **Swim Lessons** – Katherine Seymour inquired if swim lessons were possible through the school as a few parents have noticed the public schools attend (saw on school signs), discussion of transportation needs, if a badge would be given, St. Pat's does it but they have an attached pool. – Tabled – Katherine S. will look into and bring more information to the council
- d) **Screen time at lunch** – Katherine Seymour presented valid points about students losing important social interaction time which helps build emotional development and connections with peers and teachers. If the screen is on during lunch, students are discouraged from developing connections with their peers and teachers. Ms. Adair stated there is a time and a place for screen time (ie. Halloween, Christmas, etc). Cathy Cameron will bring concern forward to staff and let us know their thoughts.
- e) **Event Sign** – Lynn Entz will acquire quotes for a reusable event sign. It was suggested that we could reuse the playground fundraising sign frame. Lynn will talk with Hailey K. and Tanya S. to determine dimensions and style of sign.
- f) **Newsletter** – A few parents brought forward that they were missing the monthly school calendar and newsletter. Cathy Cameron appreciates that concerns are brought to parent council. She mentioned that it was an oversight and will start sending home school newsletters and calendars on November 1.

11. **Correspondence** – no new correspondence have come in

12. Proposed Meeting Dates

-**November 12, 2019** – change to November 19, 2019

-**January 14, 2020**

-**March 10, 2020**

-**April 14, 2020**

-**May 12, 2020 (Final Meeting)**

-**June 2020 (Dinner for School Council Members)**

13. **Prayer for November meeting** – Kathleen Adair

14. **Meeting adjournment** – 8:20 pm

15. **Closing prayer** – Bridget G.