

School Council Minutes
November 19, 2019

Attendees: Carrie Keylock, Kristin Faechner, Jamie Flett, Carla Noble, Cathy Cameron, Lynne Entz, Katherine Seymour, Kathleen Adair, Bridget Green, Courtney Kelahear, Lindsay Huseby, Stephanie Tarbett, Tennille McRae, Shannon Schalk, Rachel Hicks, Kayla Kloss, Emma Abell

1. **Call to order** - Carrie Keylock – 7:02 pm
2. **Opening prayer** – Kathleen Adair
3. **Introductions of attendees** – *Attendance Sheet*
4. **Approval and/or changes to the agenda**
– moved to approve by Bridget Green, second Tenille McRae
5. **Approval of last meeting minutes** – October 2019
- moved to approve Bridget Green, second Tenille McRae
6. **Reports**
 - a. **Principal's Report** – see handout of Principal's Report as attached – went over events happening at the school (Advent Concert rehearsals, Remembrance Day Ceremony). Explained how SES is fully incorporating Catholic Education into all faucets of the school and curriculum.
 - b. **Treasurer's report** - Jamie F.
-Waiting on receipts from the Halloween Dance – Canteen did well
- Cheques are still coming in as well as expenses so accounts will be settled and organized for January 2020.
- Friendship meal – has seen final invoice

Social Justice – Jamie F.
-Shared a letter with the board that has been received from SES sponsor family
 - c. **Committee Reports:**
 - i. READ A THON – Carrie Keylock – read-a-thon was very successful, the student body raised \$28801. Ms. Adair thanked the board, as the read-a-thon is well oiled machine.
 - ii. FRIENDSHIP MEAL – went really well, served about 75 people, there was not a lot of families at this particular meal
 - iii. STAFF APPRECIATION – Katherine Seymour – arranged for Las Palmeras for supper during parent teacher interviews. The staff passed on that is was very much appreciated.
 - iv. FAMILY HALLOWEEN DANCE – Cathy Cameron – very attended and DJ did a fantastic. The DJ has been asked to come back for the Sock Hop (dance). We need to have more people on the committee to help out – look at different parts that board/volunteers can sign up to help with (canteen separate?, set up, take down, doors, etc)
 - v. SES MOVIE NIGHT – Kristen Faechner – will touch base with Michelle so verify what is required

- vi. **GIVING TREE** – Courtney Kelahear – tags have been placed on the tree, hoping to get more tags as SES consistently fill around 200 tags a year. Grocery gift cards will be put up once all of the gift tags have been taken. A text blitz will be sent out one more time to families.

CHRISTMAS TREE – Lindsay Huseby motions to purchase a 7ft pre-lit tree with a budget of \$150 after Christmas. Second – Bridget Green **ALL IN FAVOR**

- vii. **HOT LUNCH** – Lindsay Huseby – Subway went well (first time), sticking with 2 hot lunches per month with more in June. Ms. Adair’s students love to help out delivering hot lunch, this is very much appreciated and beneficial.

- d. **Trustee Report** – Murray Hollman
Absent – No report

7. **Follow – up from October tabled new business:**

- a. **Swim Lessons** – Katherine Seymour /Carla Noble will continue to look into the logistics of offering swim lessons
- b. **Screen time at lunch** – Cathy Cameron – the staff had a rich discussion during their staff meeting. The staff had not heard from any parents that there were concerns. Concerns need to be addressed with the teacher first before they are brought to Parent Council as they represent the whole. Mrs. Cameron trust the teachers implicitly, she walked around and observed age appropriate shows/movies. Ms. Adair added that there is a professional code of conduct that should be followed as when concerns are first brought up at council it becomes an open forum and puts others on the spot.
There is a protocol and steps to follow should concerns arise: *If there are ever concerns, parents are encouraged to have a discussion with the teacher first, if outcome isn’t desirable then parents are encouraged to speak to Cathy Cameron.*
- c. **Event Signage** – Lynne Entz – a sign has been ordered from Vista Print (\$124 with stand)

8. **Kudos:**

- a. Michelle Doucette for representing SES on social media in a positive manner
- b. Tracy Dowhaniuk for organizing an amazing Halloween Dance
- c. Katherine Seymour and School Council for the Parent Teacher Interview meal, it was very much appreciated.

9. **New Business**

- **Skate Donations:** Sharpening update – Lynne Entz – Lynne’s husband (Pete) has volunteered to sharpen the school skates, school council will donate used skates if a need arises, CSA hockey helmets are mandatory to skate during school hours.
- **Pedal Bike (pedal unit for under desk):** Ms. Adair stated she loved the pedal bike as it is easily moved around the different students and it has been beneficial (it counts spins), it is very quiet. She also stated that kiddos had to lean back at times to engage the pedals (this didn’t appear to hinder their experience). Cathy Cameron mentioned there may be a possibility to get a treadmill conveyor with a desk for the younger students to walk and work at (pedal bike is potentially too big but Ms. Adair will pass on to a younger grade to try).
- **Sigmond Brouwer** – Lynne Entz – inquired about having an author visit
- **Rebels Night Out** – Lindsay Huseby – will organize – tabled – January Meeting

10. Correspondence

- **Giving Tree** – Kristin Faechner – shared a letter with background information about how and why the giving tree started. Last year 492 children from 157 families were supported.
- **ASCA** – Carrie Keylock – annual conference is being held April 24-26, 2020 in Edmonton. Support from school council for one or two people to attend. Cathy Cameron mentioned that SES is prepared to help with cost of hotel and fuel. RDCRS possibly sponsors a few attendees.
- **Choice in Education Survey** – strongly encouraged to fill out and submit. It is all done online.

11. **Prayer for January meeting** – Carla Noble

12. **Next Meeting** – January 14 @ 7pm

13. **Meeting adjournment** – 8:00 pm

14. **Closing prayer** – Kathleen Adair