

Monsignor JJ O'Brien School Council Meeting

January 22, 2020

Parents in Attendance: Line CP, Becky F, Laurie M, Jennifer E

Administration in Attendance: Tod D, Karen S, Nicole C, Alex

Call to order and Opening prayer at: 7:00 pm – All

1. Secretary's report and approval of previous meeting minutes – Jennifer E
November minutes: motion to adopt by Line; seconded Becky

2. Administration Update

- 4 student teachers from St. Mary's will be joining us
- Mrs. Behrman is filling the maternity leave for Mrs. Cowan in Grade 6
- Div 1 and 2 concerts were well attended
- Basketball is underway with the seniors attending two tournaments in the coming weeks
- Grade 3's are attending zoo school
- Math is an ongoing initiative for teachers and students in Div 1
- The school goal is to improve math scores in elementary
- Technology funding is going to be impacted going forward. We did receive funds that were used to purchase chrome books, tech tubs, laptops, and carts.
- The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation raffle is currently underway. The prize is \$75000 in cash. Tickets can be purchased from the office.

3. Treasurer's Report – Laurie M

- Reviewed fundraiser income so far
 - Healthy hunger has fell shy of the \$200 goal a couple times
 - Fun foods have exceeded expectations. As of the meeting, doughnut fun food had not been totaled; it was very successful
 - Cookie dough fundraiser was mediocre; fell short of the goal by \$1000. For 20/21, we will set goal at \$2000
- So far, we are balancing spending with amounts raised to balance

4. Fundraising/Spirit Days – Line C

- Healthy Hunger - A&W raised \$210
- Little Caesars, Taco Time, Extreme Pita, Chachis and McDonalds are coming up
- Currently, a fun food doughnut sale is on-going. Doughnuts are from Safeway.

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- We will repeat popcorn fun food sale in February
- Family dance planning is underway. We are working on donation request letters. We already have some items on hand.

5. New Business

- Staff appreciation lunch will be April 24. Laurie and Jennifer will arrange
- Shrove Tuesday breakfast on Feb 25 will be organized by Laurie and Jennifer. A note will go out from the school looking for volunteers.
- We do have a new school council e-mail address:
msgrobrien@schoolcouncil.cssd.ab.ca
- Attended two Parent Trustee forums. In November, the topic was internet safety for our children. In January, the topic was Parenting in the Digital Age. This was more about being present for your child/children. As parents, be authentic, be present. Be the peace in the storm.

7. Meeting adjournment at 8:15 PM

- **Motion to end meeting** – Laurie
- **Second** – Becky

8. Next meeting on February 19 at 7:00pm

Upcoming meetings:

- March 25
- April - no meeting
- May 20 – final meeting of the year