

St. Alphonsus School Council

Meeting Minutes

October 15th, 2019 (rescheduled from October 8th 2019)

Attendees:

Lisa Giovanetto
Michaela Hashiguchi
Mary Pat Senger
Michelle Lombardo
Stacey Portncasa
Tatiana Rotary
Steve Schnick
Marianne Ambrogiano
Julie Valenzuela
Amanda Jefferies
Lisa Buonincontri
Christina Pfitscher
Janet Pasquini
Katelyn Robinson

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer- by Christina Pfitscher
3. Territorial Acknowledgment,
4. Approval of September Minutes – motion forward to approve – Julie Valenzuela, seconded was by Janet Pasquini
5. Approval of Agenda – motion forward to approve Julie Valenzuela, seconded by Lisa Buonincontri
6. Welcome & Introduction of Executive Council members and council members in attendance.

7. Reports

7.1. Admin Updates – Appended from Administration Document shared at meeting
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- Thank you to our families that came to our meet the teacher night and to the volunteers who ran the School Council table
- Thank you to our Apple fundraising committee
- Thank you to our beautify team who worked on our front flower beds
- Thank you to our Halloween dance committee, invitations have gone home
- Thank you to the families that have volunteered or donated to our upcoming Colour Run
- Update on GrACE, challenge with other schools, bringing awareness
- Update on PAT results, Satisfaction Survey results and School Plans

We are asking school council for their support with **\$800 towards our Art department to buy new stools for our new art tables; \$1,000 to go towards new chrome books for our growing community**

Upcoming:

- Oct 16 – Q and A with school nurse for grades 9/6
- Oct 17 – Colour Run
- Oct 18 – Grade 9/6 election Canada presentation, Fun lunch
- Oct 21- 25 – Nations Vision Clinic
- Oct 24 – Round 1 vaccine
- Oct 25 – Fun lunch, JH dance, Family dance in evening
- Oct 29 – School council chair and trustee meeting 7:00pm, Clarion Hotel
- Oct 31 – No school, Professional Development day
- Nov 1 – No school, Faith Day
- Nov 6 – Class picture day and retake day
- Nov 7 – Grade 6 mustard seed presentation, 9K to SAIT
- Nov 8 – 10:45am Remembrance Day liturgy, 9P to SAIT, fun lunch
- Nov 11 – No school
- Nov 12 – School Council meeting 7:00pm

7.2. Discussion during Meeting about the Administration Notes

- Council Member to participate in GrACE, fill in the “leaves” for things that you are thankful for
- *PSAT results by November 14th which will be posted on the website*
- *3 year plan for School to include defined Strategies and Measures.*
- *Satisfaction survey, review*
- *Nations Vision clinics testing is open to everybody including those who may currently have vision correction. October 21st to October 26 2019*
- *Reaching out to the Dental bus program for more information.*
- *October 31st 2019 Trustee Meeting Open to All, Discussed the Retirement of the Chief Superintendent and the Structure of the CCBE Structure.*
 - *School calendar for 2020/2021 has been created and the Board is looking for feedback from the Parent Community*

7.3. Chairperson report – Lisa Giovanetto

- Status of Parent Council Facebook page – Waiting

7.4. Colour Run Update – Require more parent volunteers on the day of Run

- Silent Auction Fund Raising for Colour Run – There were some last minute items that were donated and have been added into a Silent Auction. Email to be sent to Parent Community about the items. Thank you letters to be sent to Corporations that donated Auction items.

7.5. Treasurer report - Michaela Hashiguchi

- Steve Schnick has volunteered to fill the Treasurer Position for Parent Council 2019/20. Thank you.
- Current Balance of Account \$4,364.66.
The balance includes the Apple Fundraising and the Healthy Hunger.

7.6. Fundraising – Janet Pasquini

- POPB - Is on hold at this time. Require additional Executive and Parent Volunteers. [Need to add full POPB name in]
- Fundraising has been done as a “Pool” with 30% being allocated to the POPD initiative. This percentage was based on a historical analysis of previous years fundraising.
- Proposal to reduce the percentage allocation from 30% to 15%. Motion to Defer Decision motioned by Steve Schnick, Seconded by Julie Valenzuela e, Vote 6 For, 4 Against. **Decision Deferred to January 2020.**
- Halloween Dance – Volunteer Schedule to be created / send out.
 - Junior High in Afternoon
 - Family in Evening
 - Newsletter for JH only sent for afternoon
 - Family notice sent to all Elementary Students
 - Notifications need to be sent to all.
 - Family tickets for dance can be sold on the day of the dance but no ordered food will be available
- Christmas Fundraising
 - No Chocolate sales this year
 - Poinsettia Sales and Potted Flower Sales
 - November 3rd Flyers Sent to Families with Delivery on December 5th

7.7. Parent Council Reviewed Requests from Administration

- Motion to grant Admiration request for \$800 for Art Department Stools Forwarded by Mary Pat Senger Seconded by Julie Valenzuela
- Motion to grant Admiration request for \$1000 for New Chrome Books Forwarded by Lisa Buonincontri Seconded by Amanda Jefferies
- Current Balance of Account Adjusted Balance of Account \$2,564.66

8. Old Business

8.1. Hot Lunch Updates

- Healthy Hunger Website was changed and caused some issues which have been resolved. Lunches should now be corrected. The Name of the site is now St. Alphonsus Fine Arts School.

8.2. Garden Committee is creating a Garden Document for future members as current members and volunteers have children in Grade 9 this year. Need a way to support and sustain the work that has been done.

9. New Business

9.1. Breakfast Club – School Administration has sufficient funds at this point to run and maintain the club. Parent Council assistance not required at this time.

9.2. Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids also a resource.

9.3. Knights Market used by school families.

9.4. Share Table – Explore creating a Share Table where the kids can put unopened / Fruit on a table to share with other students instead of discarding. Plausible at St. Alphonsus?

10. Next Meeting November 12th, 2019 @ 7:00PM

11. Closing Prayer – by Christina Pfitscher