St Joan of Arc School Council Meeting Agenda
February 8, 2017  6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Chair: Margaret Elekes  Principal: Cheryl McInnes
Vice-Chair: Andrea Brownell  Vice-principal: Bruce MacDonald
Treasurer: Tracy Olson (absent)  Secretary: Kristyn Hall

Parent Community:
Sandy B
Kendra W
Carrie G
Elaine L
Colleen J
Krista J

1) Call to order, opening prayer, introductions (Chair) (6:30 – 6:35 pm)

2) Approval of minutes from January 18, 2017 (Chair) (6:35 - 6:37pm)
  Meeting minutes will be posted on website: www.cssd.ab.ca/stjoanofarc

Approved - Sandy B
Seconded – Colleen J

3) Treasurer Report (Treasurer) (6:37 – 6:40pm)

Closing Balance: January 18, 2017 $5,246.02

Revenue

Total Revenue

EXPENSES

Total Expenses

Net Income $5,246.02
Bank Account Balance February 7, 2017

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Reconciling items:

Revenue: 
- Paul Davis - Social Networking Safety $1,260.00

Expenses:

Adjusted Bank balance to: (tbd) $3,986.02

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Fun food until the end of Dec is $3431.65
Budget of $7000 from Fun Food for the year is a realistic projection

We appear to be running about $5000 over budget. This financial estimate does not include money anticipated to be raised by the upcoming June dance. Will plan to have this money put toward projectors. Technology is evolving – Miss Pyle’s room has the latest technology.

4) Group Discussion Topic (6:40 – 7:00 pm)
   Social Networking Safety – what was your biggest take away Paul Davis?
   Positive feedback on Paul’s presentation - Kids and parents both reported learning a lot.

   Notable highlights:
   - His presentation evolved from 2 years ago. Different parts were relevant to parents who came 2 years ago vs this year.
   - Good reminder – not to have gadgets in the kid’s room.
   - Surprise by some video games – Grand Theft Auto and Call of Duty.
   - How to use social networking safely when kids are of appropriate age (according to terms of use of social networks).
   - Consensus – this was a good use of money. We received 3 sessions – Div 2, Div 3 and Parent education night.
   - Paul was impressed by the # of people there.

Grade 8 kids who were skiing missed Paul’s presentation. School is planning a speaker for this grade on social networking safety.

Discussion about future speakers:
• Grade 9’s doing a project on drugs. School council would support a speaker around drug prevention.
• Over 18 – documentary was shown at the church last month. This documentary covered the topic of internet pornography and how easy it is for kids to access. We could possibly host this documentary at a future parent night.

5) Administration Report (Admin) (7:00 – 7:10)

1. Aspen Woods School progress- new boundaries into effect. Information has gone home requesting families to declare whether or not you will be moving from SJOA.
   -New boundaries for SJOA based on HPOF. This information is on our website.
   -SJOA population will expect to go down to 750 people with the new boundaries.

2. Staffing- Mrs. Capon (noon hr) will be moving on to an Office Assistant position within the district. Her position is posted until Friday.

3. March 16 Parent teacher conferences- calendar changes this year, Thursday conferences all day and into the evening with Friday being Professional day for teachers. Open to booking with any of your child’s teachers and some will be student led showcasing their knowledge.

4. Catholic Community of Caring -
   a. Jan Sandwich Friday had 285 loaves of sandwiches, 60 dozen cookies and the JH have decided to sponsor two breakfasts from the money raised thus far this year.
   b. Be Merciful bulletin board highlighting photos of acts of kindness and mercy within the school community.
   c. Leadership students are highlighting Children’s Birthday Miracle foundation working with Inn from the Cold to help raise awareness and collect donations to ensure less fortunate children have a birthday celebration.
   d. Feb 1 Paul Davis cyber-wellness presentation to grades 4-7 and grade 9 and evening session for parents all sponsored by SC. A follow-up will occur for grades 5 and 6 with Cst. Carter in May.
   e. Anti-bullying Week- beginning with Kindness Banner in hallway Feb 21 running all week, Pink Shirt day Feb 22, in class lesson and activities. This is something we highlight all year with ongoing presentations
   f. Reconciliation hosted at school Feb 22 and 23
   g. Feb 24 -100 day of school- grade 1 collecting 100 cans of food for St. Vincent De Paul Society at St. Michael’s parish. Kindergarten (AM/PM) will be parading around the school showcasing their 100 day floats!
   h. Champions-ensuring every child has at least one trusted caring adult in the building. Teachers have identified -now students will have the opportunity. During the 3 days Feb 13-15 they will learn about champions then using a google form select those in the school they feel are their champion. During anti-bullying
week they will complete a ‘Shield’ letting their champion know a little about themselves, interests, hobbies, etc. These will be shared with the staff person as a conversation starter

5. Miss Acton’s grade 3 class is doing and Entrepreneurial program whereby they will be planning a school afternoon carnival for elementary classes. As part of this program they are learning about organizing events, marketing and sales, etc. As part of their program they will be designing and selling SJOA Shields.

6. Thank you to Mr. Galaszkiewicz and Mrs. MacDonald for organizing the grade 4-6 free throw. Great fun and support of one another.

7. Accountability Pillar information was included in February newsletter and the weekly messengers. Please access the link provided to complete the survey. Your feedback/input is critical in the development of our school plans.

8. Basketball playoff season is under way, thank you to all of our Junior and Senior coaches for the hours of volunteer time. First game is Feb 22 (girls will be here @4pm, boys at St. Basil @5pm)

9. Mrs. Truffyn’s grade 2 class attended Zoo School last week as part of the Open Minds program. Thank you to all of the parent volunteers.

10. School newscast continues highlighting school events these episodes can be found on the school website.

11. Grade 5 Comic Book artist visiting classes in the coming weeks. He will facilitate an hour and half program with each group.

12. Father Cristino continues his class visits and will be here again on Shrove Tuesday.

13. Thank you to committee of parents working to plan our Shrove Tuesday breakfast. Staff have completed the sign up poster.

14. Thank you to the grade 6 classes for hosting the Epiphany Liturgy and all families that were able to join us.

15. Thank you to staff and parent volunteers who attended the JH activity day and their ski trips to COP

16. Newly purchased iPads have arrived and assigned to grade 1 and 2. They will be ready for student use in the coming weeks once applications loaded.

17. Change in Gym Strip Provider for next year-reduced costs and more choice for families. Sample sizes will be on site for ordering. Looking at spring order.

**Upcoming:**
Feb 24 - Sandwich Friday
Feb 28- Shrove Tuesday, Grade 7 CTF term 3 selections for trimesters courses
March 1- Ash Wednesday liturgy and distribution of ashes, liturgy hosted by grade 3, Grade 9 CTF selections for trimesters courses
March 2- Grade 8 CTF selections for trimesters courses
March 10- Progress Reports go home
March 13- first day of term 3 for CTF trimestered courses
March 15 SC meeting
March 16 Parent teacher conferences (held Thursday day and evening)
March 17- NO School Professional learning day for teachers

10th Anniversary plans are being planned for May 30th – the feast day of SJOA.
Lunch for the kids then liturgy at 1:30 pm. The gym will be extremely full with the school + dignitaries + SJOA Alumni.

An event will be planned for parents. Can use the upstairs area of the church – do a wine and cheese in the evening. (May 25th).

6) Chairperson Report (7:10 – 7:15 pm)
Dr. Hammond on “Supporting Student Success – School and Home Working Together” (CEO of Resiliency initiatives) - Overview of January 19th Parent Trustee Forum with
- Dr Hammond is an excellent speaker.
- We want to provide our children with values and principles that will guide their decisions
- We need to them to gain the confidence to stand up for themselves and advocate for themselves
- Allow them to experience healthy stress so they can learn to handle the stress they will face
- Tell your children that even if you don’t agree with them, you will always respect and love them
- Allow them to make mistakes as mistakes are an opportunity to learn, focus on this
- We want our children to be inspired, for them to know it is ok to make mistakes, ok to have values, ok to experience stress
- Rather than asking them what the best part of their day is, ask them what they learned today, focus on trying new things and exploring
- **Always identify what your child did right 6 times more often than what they did wrong**
- We want our children to obey not because of the fear of consequences but because they have listened, understood and because we have taught them something
- Remember to apologize to your children when you make mistakes
- We want our children to respect us and our values
- Stages of Parenting: Teacher – Facilitator – Coach

The next Parent Trustee Forum is “Caring is Everything”, getting to the heart of humanity, leadership and life by David Irvine. This will be held on March 9th at the Clarion Hotel. Please RSVP to the office.

Canada’s Outstanding Principals –
Congratulations to Cheryl McInnis on receiving this recognition!!
- “Canada’s Outstanding Principals recognizes outstanding contributions of principals in publicly funded schools. It honours principals from every province and territory in Canada
who demonstrate innovation, entrepreneurial spirit and who have done something truly remarkable in public education.”

- For more information about this award, click here.
- As part of the recognition, Cheryl will be attending a leadership program Feb 26-March 2nd.
- We are very fortunate to have Cheryl McInnis here at SJOA.

For being recognized among Canada’s 40 most outstanding principals!!

7) Committee Reports: (7:15 - 7:25pm)

Fundraising and Community Building - Sandy Blair –
- June 2 is the spring dance.
- Shrove Tues is coming up Tuesday Feb 28. We will need parent volunteers.
- On the menu: pancakes, berries, whip cream; scrap the meat this year. There will be gluten-free pancakes.
- Sandy will contact M and M’s in May to book Sept welcome BBQ; Sandy to check with Leann Park re contact in Aspen.

Fun Food update – Julie Rowley

Events Coordinator – Larysa G
- May 29 Grade 9 retreat is booked at Camp Katakazoo.

Communications Liaison – Michelle J/Ivonne R
- Interest in having a parent Facebook page. We need to advertise the need for a FB Parent Community Liaison...Kristyn will create a poster to advertise this.

Athletics Liaison – Melanie M

Volunteer Coordinator – Krista J
8) Friends of the Cavalier Foundation - Educational Society Report (7:25 - 7:28pm)
$28000 in the bank
$15000 earmarked for the ipads.
$13000 will be used with budget set out for SJOA. We will be able to fully fund all items in our SJOA school council budget.

9) Draw for Parking Permit for one month (7:28-7:30pm)
Colleen J

10) Adjournment (7:30pm)

Come out to our next meeting on March 15th at 6:30!