

John Paul II School Council Minutes
September 8, 2010

Call to order : 6:33pm by Jodie Cowan

Present: Natasha McBride, Nicole Matthews, Jodie Cowan, Cyndi Rehman, Elizabeth Groat, Pam Schneider, Bruce Dreany, John McCaffray, R. Stepaniuk, Cindy Escott, Dave Dempsey, Kim Stefura, Christine Kronewitt, Tracey Schmermund, Carol Weisburg

Minutes: Cyndi Rehman

Review/Adoption of Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2010 motioned by Christine Kronewitt and seconded by Cyndi Rehman to be accepted as submitted.

Share and Celebrate

Grade 8 -Grade 8 looking forward to Jasper trip
Grade 7 – Volleyball tryouts beginning
Grade 6 – PAT’s
Grade 5 – good start to year; in portables this year
Grade 4 –Have grade 8 buddies; are touring Waste Management site this month
Grade 3 –four teachers this year; Rocks n Mineral unit beginning, PAT
Grade 2 – new teacher; Mrs. Kulak filling in for maternity leave
Grade 1 – school everyday is big; new teacher for maternity leave
Kindergarten- testing; staggered entry

Trustee’s Report (Marian Walshe)- Jodie will ensure Marian is contacted 10 days prior to meeting. Natasha reported that the Board is focusing on “inspired learner” and what education will look like in 20 years.

Principal’s Report (Dave Dempsey)- Please see attached report.

Treasurer’s Report (John McCaffray)

- Fiscal year is June 1 to May 31. Therefore we need an annual report for AGM in June.
- Books don’t need to be audited by Accountant; instead they can be reviewed by 2 council members and signed.
- Motion to accept financial books from last year to be done by two council members by next meeting was made by John McCaffray. Seconded by Christine Kronewitt.
- Motion made by John McCaffray to remove Tammy Helfer- Kulak as signer and replace Jodie Cowan as signer on Account # 3369535 Friends of John Paul II at Servus Credit Union in Stony Plain, as account is a TWO to signed account. Seconded by Pam Schneider.
- Motion to repay \$214 to Natasha McBride for Subway lunch and water bottles for Healthy Heart Week in May. Seconded by Kim Stefura.

Chairperson's Report

- Jodie presented on overview of the role of School Council. Next meeting, we will review the goals of John Paul II School Council. They will remain close to last year's goals. (See handout).
- After speaking to Mr. Dempsey, it was decided that the best venue for community groups to give an information night would be during March Parent-Teacher interviews. A committee will be set up to plan and organize this in the new year.

New Business

- 1) Looking ahead to 2010-2011
 - a. Activities Calendar for the year was sent around. Some adjustments made to dates so that events are divided more equally between months.
 - b. Sub committee leads sign up sheet sent around; we still need more volunteers.
 - c. Grade Rep Introduction letter need to be sent to class reps. They need to be adjusted so that they include a summary of planned yearly events. As well, we want to inform parents that we are looking to strengthen school community, so we will be sending more information about events, a need for volunteers, etc. on a regular basis.
 - d. Discussion regarding sending information home via email was held. Mr. Dempsey stated that if there are any upcoming events or a need for volunteers that the school council has, we can send the information to him to approve. After approval, he will send it to Mrs. Hanlan to forward to school families it is targeted to.
 - e. Christine Kronewitt reported that Sandyview Farm sent a cheque for \$2923.76 . A percentage of the sales made from one day a month will continue to be given to John Paul II for the 2010-2011 school year. It was suggested that the dates for sales be posted in the church bulletin. A discussion regarding what the monies be used for this year as a result of fundraising efforts was had. Mr. Dempsey stated that the school needs about 10 more Auditory Systems (about \$1500 each). Next month we will need to discuss school needs and get a wish list from the staff.
 - f. School Council Meeting dates for the year will be held every second Wednesday of the month. October 13 is next meeting.
- 2) School Council pictures were taken for the bulletin board.
- 3) Executive contact information will be put into a spreadsheet and sent out before October 1.

Next meeting to be held at JPII library, 6:30pm on October 13, 2010

Meeting Adjourned 8:03 pm