

St. Andrew's School Council Minutes

Minutes for September 16, 2019 at 6:00 pm

PRESENT: T.J. O'Grady Cory Lee MacMunn Leanne Dupuis
 Joanne Murray Julie McMillan Wilma McGrath
 Kirsten Dombroskie Tara Olsheskie Kayla Glofcheskie
 Amy Pecaskie

PRAYER: T.J. O'Grady led the council in prayer

The Board Theme for 2019-2020 is "Heritage, Struggle & Hope". Mr. O'Grady led the council in reviewing the school learning plan, the role of the school council, and the code of ethics.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

On motion of Leanne Dupuis, and seconded by Tara Olsheskie, the minutes for June 4, 2019 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Leanne Dupuis motioned to accept, and seconded by Julie McMillan, the Treasurer's Report was approved.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Cory Lee MacMunn and Leanne Dupuis will serve as the co-chairs, Joanne Murray as treasurer, and Amy Pecaskie as secretary. All positions were acclaimed.

FUNDRAISING PROJECT REPORT:

The Pepperette Fundraiser, through Heidelberg Foods Ltd. will be ongoing until October 7th. The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise money for school activities.

Also discussed were other fundraising projects to be carried out through the school year. Poinsettias and Bath Bombs will be for sale closer to Christmas.

The School Council also hopes to have the Christmas Craft Sale on Saturday, December 14th. The craft sale has always been a great community event and fundraiser, but volunteer help is needed for it to continue. The School Council is looking for someone to coordinate the event. Help is also needed for set up, preparing and serving food in the canteen, and clean up afterwards.

PLAYGROUND REVITALIZATION:

The "Spring Fling" Fundraiser was a great success and plans for the playground revitalization are underway. Lumber for the construction has been purchased. Originally, we had hoped to have the older students' side done this summer, but delays have occurred from the company we are working with and now we are hoping to see something closer to Thanksgiving.

The wooden play structure has clearance for this school year.

In memory of Randy Neff, a donation to the playground was made. Mr. Neff was the Grand Knight at St. Andrew's Church.

OPEN HOUSE:

Open House took place on September 18th. It was motioned by Cory Lee MacMunn, and seconded by Wilma McGrath that each student would receive one dollar off a book from the Scholastic Book Fair. Ice Cream Sundaes will also be served.

THANKSGIVING:

It was decided by Council to have a Thanksgiving turkey lunch on Thursday, October 17th. To comply with safe food handling regulations, all the food will be prepared on-site at St. Andrew's parish. If you are available to assist on this day, please let us know. We will also be looking for food donations. Thank you for your support.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES:

- For safety, gates to the yard will be closed during the day. All students will be entering from one gate, on the side of Queen Street.
- New lights have been installed making the school much brighter. All lights are on a sensor and after twenty minutes of no motion, they will shut off automatically.
- All classes will be participating in Zones of Regulation workshops. The purpose is to help students gain skills in the art of self-regulation by recognizing when they are in different zones (states of alertness/moods) as well as learn how to use strategies to regulate the zone they are in.
- Flyers for the Elementary School Milk Program no longer include chocolate milk. This may signify that chocolate milk will not be offered in the future

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motioned by Leanne Dupuis, and seconded by Tara Olsheskie, it was decided that School Council would donate \$100 to each teacher to help with the cost of classroom supplies. The money has been loaned from the School's Funds to be paid back after the Peppercorn fundraiser.
- Motioned by Leanne Dupuis, and seconded by Tara Olsheskie, it was decided that School Council would supply the ingredients for Playdough in the Kindergarten classroom. The students will make a clean batch of playdough every week.
- Motioned by Cory Lee MacMunn, and seconded by Leanne Dupuis, the School Council will purchase insurance to cover us for any events that occur outside the school grounds. Cost is approximately around one hundred dollars for the year.

NEXT MEETING:

The next School Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 8 at 6 pm. All are welcome.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion by Leanne Dupuis, and seconded by Cory Lee MacMunn, the meeting was adjourned.