

Saint John XXIII School Council Meeting Minutes

St. John XXIII Catholic School, 9526 89 St,
Fort Saskatchewan, AB
Meeting Minutes – January 10, 2022 7:00 pm
GoogleMeet Link: meet.google.com/ngm-idmx-xut

In Attendance:

Gail Greene (Vice Principal/Pathways/Intervention Teacher))
Alana Seymour (Chair)
Korinne Weima (Secretary)
Shawnene Wallgren (Co-Chair)
Candice Kalyn (Vice-Chair)
Al Stewart (Trustee)
Shannon Dahlside (Parent)
Dawn Pinder (Parent)
Ronalee Bourassa (Grade Three Teacher)

1. Call to Order at 7:02pm
Prayer - Gail Greene
Treaty/Land Acknowledgment - Candice Kalyn
2. Approval of Agenda -
First: Korinne Weima
Second: Candice Kalyn
All in favor
3. Approval of Minutes from November linked here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bC_PzRrbYT97nRXNbN1Dr9B2trPdFwb9xZ4EgCqgUDU/edit?usp=sharing
 - a. One change: - REVISED: Discussion that 60% of the current year's fundraising dollars will move into the 2022/2023 school year.
Shawnene Wallgren: First
Candice Kalyn: Second
All in favour
4. School Report
 - a. Grade 3 Advent Social Justice Project - Was student led
 - i. News from Grade 3 - The students are doing well with switching teachers for social studies and science - this helps prepare them for grade 4.
Successful Bring Hope Campaign - students showed real organization, leadership, and are excellent public speakers
What? Bring Hope Campaign: Do chores at home for spare change

Who? All St. John the XXIII Students

When? Monday, November 29 to Friday, December 17, 2021

Why? To support Fort Saskatchewan Healthcare workers; fundraising for care packages (coffee cards) to bring hope. Our gift of \$436.45 was presented to the Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital Foundation to distribute to health care workers.

b. Grade 3 & 4 highlights

- i. The grade 4 students have been exceeding our expectations in their roles as leaders here at St. John. At the beginning of the school year, students were placed into 4 different leadership groups: Healthy Living, Faith, School Spirit, and Young Citizens. The students enjoyed receiving their leadership t-shirts and have begun to wear them during assemblies. The healthy living team has enjoyed leading brain breaks during school assemblies, and are looking forward to leading arctic winter games for our school. The faith team has done a wonderful job leading our school in prayer over the morning announcements and during assemblies, while the school spirit team has been busy welcoming students into the gymnasium for assemblies. Finally, the young citizens team did a wonderful job growing plants and vegetables in our school garden. The grade 4's have truly shown how committed they are to their leadership teams by giving up recesses to embrace their role and are enjoying involvement and are often called upon.

The grade 4's have also been busy learning how to play the ukulele and hand chimes in music class. They did a wonderful job playing these instruments for the school Christmas concert, and showed their leadership by giving up their recess breaks for extra practice.

The grade 4 students also enjoyed sewing Christmas tree ornaments for their families and are looking forward to future sewing projects! Finally, after two months of hard work and dedication, the grade 4's are ready to present their Alberta regional project to their classmates! They are ecstatic to become experts in their region and are looking forward to teaching their class about each region in Alberta.

5. Administrative Report: Mrs. Gail Greene

Saint John Admin Report - January 10, 2022

Submitted by: Bonnie-Lynne Boehm (Principal)

Gail Greene (Assistant Principal)

1. COVID 19 Protocols/Return to School Update - *Tidbits that were shared: It was a smooth first day back, discussion about masks off only for eating and recess, there were clarification questions about mask wearing during recess and gym.*

Question: Was it the province or the district who decided that masking was necessary at the desk? It is believed that this was a district level protocol.

Concerns were shared about the fact that classroom covid cases are not being shared at a school to parent level. However, it was explained that concerns are around privacy and unverified test results.

2. Registration Feb. 1st. Projected trends: status quo
3. Advent Concert: Called to the Manger
4. Pink Shirt: Feb. 23. 2022: not ordering from company this year. Sheri set us up on our Enhance It School Gear site: Will send in Smore this weekend
http://www.enhanceitembroidery.ca/store/p152/STJ_XXIII_-_Youth_Spirit_Tee.html
5. DOW Grant: \$5000 Outdoor Classroom
6. **FNs Program:** Fish Friends in the Learning Commons - Life Cycle Programming - a large aquarium will hold eggs to fish (eventually released into the wild)
7. "Wings of Hope" project update - *Grant from Dow addressing Mental Health and Hope - smudging ceremony - Elder Doreen will do a live visit, FWW will be reading the book Feathers in each classroom. Each child will receive a Feather made of paper that has seeds in it. In the Spring they will plant the seeds in the new outdoor classroom garden. Volunteers to cut Feathers were chosen during the meeting.*
8. Disruption grant (Lit/Num intervention) - math and literacy screens are being completed.

For consideration: Fundraising Support

1. Outdoor stencils: cost of the paint - stencils would come from Bairlyn
2. *Outdoor play equipment refills: \$100 per grade. Total \$600
3. *Leadership tshirts: \$17.50 per shirt, charged \$5/student: asking to split the cost with school: \$790, total from SC: \$395
4. *Library/Learning Commons: \$500
5. *Fish Friends: \$1500 asking SC: \$1000 (for the tank, food and maintenance)
6. Tech support for broadcasting: \$500 (microphone, green screen?)
7. Outdoor: Loose Parts Play ?
8. *Mathletics: this year **\$642.60** and next year \$645 (June 2022 to be paid)
9. *Grade 4 Banner: \$200

10. *Grade 4 gift/book: \$500
11. School wide events: Connections \$300
12. Flexibility as ideas come up from students and/or teachers

1. Treasurer's Report - Alana guided this discussion for this meeting.
 - a. Review breakdown of budget

We motioned to approve the Outdoor Play Equipment ask: \$100 per grade. Total \$600

First: Candice Kalyn

Second: Shannon D

All in Favour

8. Executive Meeting Report - Alana/Bonnie-Lynne

9. Committee Reports

- a. Poinsettias
- b. Yearbook - Dawn and Shannon will work on it this year
- c. Parent Buddy - there are two new families at the school. Shawnene will reach out to the family who has a child in Kindergarten and Alana will reach out to the family in Grade One.
- d. Hot Lunch (paused until Jan. 19/20)
- e. Apple Program (currently on hold)

10. Old Business

- a. Volunteer Google form - is ready, but now on hold due to covid

11. New Business

- a. Jan/Feb Community Giving (Month Theme) (family day/random acts of kindness week/valentines)
- b. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant: 500 will be added to your budgets for each of your school councils. There are specific activities that the funds can be used for and unused funds will be returned to Alberta Education
- c. Spring Fundraiser
- d. CEPAC meeting, scheduled for January 20, 2022 at 6:30 pm
<https://meet.google.com/new-pddp-dgu>

e. Motion to spend up to \$100 on a gift for Bonnie-Lynne

First: Candice K

Second: Korinne W

All in favour

f. Motion to move \$300 to the Library/Learning Commons (inclusive library books, for the EDUCATION PILLAR)
First Candice
Second - Shannon
All in Favour

11. Next Meeting – Feb 7, 2022 7:00 pm - Alana will make a small agenda

12. Adjournment at 8:42pm

2021-2022 School Council Dates:

March 7, 2022 7:00 pm

April 4, 2022 7:00 pm

May 2, 2022 7:00 pm

June 6, 2022 7:00 pm