

École Camille J. Lerouge School
School Council AGM Agenda
September 13, 2021
7:00pm via Google Meet

Call to Order – 7:06pm

Attendees

Sinead Armstrong	Cynthia Campbell	Erika Pottage	Anne Marie Watson
Christie Zapisocky	Kim Templar	Marilee Murgatroyd	Lisa Alford
Alicia M.	Amanda B.	Christina Y.	Clare W.
Colleen B.	Danielle G.	Erin D.	Hannah D.
Kostya S.	Kristi O.	Kristine M.	Lisa V.
Marguerite T.	Maria M.	Meleah L.	Melissa P.
Nicole M.	Rachelle T.	Renée F.	Roxanne R.
Tara B.			

Opening Prayer - Sinead

Introductions & Attendees

Review of the Agenda

MOTION to approve September 13, 2021 Agenda

MOVED: Rachelle

SECONDED: Christie

Explanation of School Council - Sinead

School Council is a means for parents and community to work together to support and enhance student learning. School Council provides a venue for parents to reflect their wishes of the broader community of education of its students and to actively participate in giving advice and support to the principal.

Roles that are not to be taken on by a school council include:

- School governance

- Employment issues
- School management
- Listening to complaints.

Thank you to our parents for continuing to work in a team to meet the goals of the School Council.

School Trustee Report - Anne Marie Watson

- Anne Marie, our school liaison trustee, provided an overview of the role of a trustee and key functions of the Board of Trustees.
- The school year started without a mask mandate but this changed within the first week. The Board, having determined schools to be a public space, and based on the measures outlined by the Government of Alberta, made masks mandatory in schools.
- At its August meeting, the Board approved a recommendation that September 30th, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, will remain so schools can focus on truth and reconciliation within our school communities.
- The municipal election will take place in Red Deer on October 18. There are five School Board Trustee positions for the Red Deer Catholic Separate School Division's Red Deer Area Ward.

Principal Report - Sinead

- Sinead welcomed members to the Council and expressed thanks for their engagement. An overview was provided about matters that are within the Council's authority and those that are not. Any requests for agenda can be discussed with Sinead.
- In addition to the recent communication from the school, the ability to have volunteers and parents in the building is paused and will be re-assessed after Thanksgiving. Positive effects have been observed with having teachers greet the students.
- Packaged treats on birthdays is allowed so long as it is packaged and handled in a way that prevents contamination.
- Open Door policy – As the goal is to make children's experience as positive as possible, there is a reliance on this group and parents to communicate and share information.

- Differences in practices – Large group gatherings, mass at Sacred Heart, and field trips are on pause. Athletics are going ahead. Junior tryouts volleyball proceeded today. The Dawe Run, which ordinarily involves thousands of students, is cancelled.
- Parents interested in volunteering to coach are encouraged to contact Erika Pottage.
- Current enrolment and staffing
 - Current enrolment is 664 (down by 35 students).
 - 14 students from Camille are At Home Learning (AHL).
 - This year we have 7 new staff to our school community: Marie Nokes (MS), Quinn Swensrude (4), Taylor Houle (5), Phoebe Hawksworth (3). Lison Lanteigne (2), Mylaine Rivera (1) and Annabelle Wehage (EA)

School indigenous education services team

- Teachers are developing activities to promote Indigenous culture for the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 30.

AGM - Election

Call For Nominations - Executive 2021-2022

- Chair - *Christie Zapisocky*
- Vice-Chair - *Kim Templar*
- Secretary - *Marilee Murgatroyd*
- Treasurer - *Lisa Alford*

New Business

- Fundraising for 2021-2022
 - Opening balance for the 2021-2022 school year is significant (\$22,941) however there are school wide projects that we would like to move forward with.
 - Council members discussed increasing funds for field trips (to take place when conditions are appropriate) and educational initiatives.
 - The Council established a committee to proceed with a Read-a-Thon fundraiser with an emphasis on French reading. Alicia, Kim, Kristi, Nicole, Lisa, Tara, and Maria volunteered to organize and execute.

- The Council established a 'Parent Advisory Committee' in relation to meal planning and food options at the cafeteria. Clare, Rachelle, Kim, Colleen volunteered to help during the school day, working with Sinead and cafeteria by looking at existing menus that are offered.

Business

A call for Leads was paused until the October meeting.

Announcements/Correspondence

- The next meeting date will be Monday October 18, 2021 at 7 pm via Google Meet
- Lead for prayer – Opening: Renée, Closing: Rachelle.

Closing Reflection - Cynthia

Adjournment - 8:17 pm

2021-2022 Meeting Dates:

October 18

November 15

January 17

February 14

March 14

April 11

May 9

June 13