

Georges Vanier Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes **Monday, January 27th, 2025**

Attendees: Daniel Birkenbergs, Alexis Commander, Christina Ferguson, Sonia Mastrantoni, Andrea Payne.

Opening Prayer/ Land Acknowledgement

- ❖ Mr. Birkenbergs called the meeting to order 6:15
- ❖ Meeting was run in a hybrid format
- ❖ Mr. Birkenbergs opened with a prayer

Approval of Agenda and Catholic School Council Minutes

1st Christina Ferguson

2nd Sonia Mastrantoni

Principal Report

- A. Liturgies/Virtues Assembly
 - Virtues Assembly: Respect ~Thursday, January 30th @ 2:45

- B. Uniform: Survey Results
 - 163 families were surveyed; 91 responses were received; 68 were in favor
 - 68 positive responses represent 42% of our school community
 - Did not meet the needed minimum 60% threshold to proceed

- C. Term 1 Reports
 - Report distributed~ February 11th
 - Parent-Teacher-Student Conference ~ February 13th (evening) & February 14th (daytime)

- D. Event Update
 - Christmas Open House
 - Angel Giving Tree (half the certificates were given out to parents and the other half were kept back for families who need help throughout the school year)
 - Spirit Week
 - Rings & Rock Program
 - Mental Health & Well-being Focus Week~ January 21st to 24th

- E. Upcoming School Events
 - Intermediate Speech Competition ~ January 29th
 - Exploring Indigenous History Day (Gr. 4-8) – January 30th

- Pastoral Visit ~ February 5th
- Rosary Apostolate Visit~ February 5thFe
- Sweater Day ~ February 6th
- Grade 8 Graduation Photos ~ February 13th
- Family Day~ February 17th (No School)
- Junior Basketball Tourneys ~ February 19th

Chairs Report:

- Michael was unable to attend
- Dates for upcoming Domino's Pizza Fundraiser are February 28th, March 21st, May 23rd.

Treasurer's Report:

Budget Allocations for 2025

- Teacher supervision for athletics events outside of school - \$1,500
- In-class programs, science in the school, film in a box, in class programs expenses \$2,000
- Library Mural- \$3,000
- Grade graduation \$500
- Celebration of learning SK/JK \$200

Fundraising Ideas

- Big Box of Card - Mr. Birkenbergs will research big box of cards for fundraising information.
- Domino's Pizza- Michael Burn will connected and the dates that were decided: February 28th, March 21st, May 23rd
- Movie Night - School will have a movie and pizza. The parent council will connect with the community and have tables set out in the back, where the community can purchase tables and sell products. Each table will be sold at a cost of \$25. We also discussed reaching out to local businesses to donate items to raffle off (a permit will need to be obtained from the city, someone will have to go and purchase this permit) 50/50 draw was also discussed - each table could donate an amount to a 50/50 draw.

Future Meeting

- Monday, February 24th, 2025

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- All updates will be emailed out to council

Adjournment