



CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025** 6:00 P.M. **SCHOOL LIBRARY**

Agenda Item
Welcome and Prayer
Call to order and recording of attendance
Introductions
Nominations and election of chair/co-chairs,
secretary, and treasurer
Financial Report
Council Business
Principal Report
Parish Report
Closing Prayer

OPENING PRAYER

On Fire with the Spirit - Awaken~ Illuminate ~ Rejoice



Holy Spirit, awaken us to Your presence. Stir our hearts to recognize Your works in our lives and the world. Grant us the courage to embrace new challenges with open hearts and willing spirits, serving others with compassion, kindness, mercy and unity.

Spirit of Truth, illuminate our path. Shine Your light to dispel doubt and fear, filling our minds with wisdom to discern and follow Your will. Help us guide others into the radiant light of Christ.

Spirit of Joy, rejoice with us. Fill our hearts with joy in Your presence, so that even in trials, we may be a beacon of hope and love. May we share the light of Christ with the world, spreading peace and joy wherever we go.

Holy Spirit, let us be ever mindful of Your presence, ready to be led by You. Set our hearts on fire with Your love, awakening, illuminating, and rejoicing with our entire community.

Amen.

MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 29

IN ATTENDANCE: Janelle Muir, Megan Lunn, Kim Hogan, Nelly Theissen, and Laura Blackmore (Principal)

CHAIR/CO-CHAIR ELECTION - Janelle Muir

TREASURER ELECTION - N/A

SECRETARY ELECTION - Megan Lunn

FINANCE: - seems to be a lot of money hanging around

- Parent Reaching Out Grant \$500 to increase parent engagement
 - School Event
 - **Guest Speaker**
- Student Cabinet wanting funds for Halloween \$100-\$200

Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

(Application of funds to be completed at November meeting upon Andrea's return)

All CSACs and schools are once again invited to access Parents Reaching Out (PRO) funds. Each school has been allocated \$ 500.00

The PRO grants program provides funding to school boards to lead projects with a focus on the identification and removal of barriers that prevent parents and families from participating and engaging fully in their children's learning. Information about the PRO grant for the 2025-2026 school year can be found here.

Fundraising - will be gathering a committee plan our charitable and school fundraising for the year

- School Spirit Wear
- Charity Project Precious

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

- Spirit Wear (Mustang Monday)
 - Different vendor, more cost effective
 - **Casual Creatives**
 - Megan Quote for affordable options from Janis
 - Janelle Quote for creative casuals
 - Laura Donations of Spirit Wear on parent teacher interview night, parents can privately reach out.
- Gifts of the Heart is very well received!
- Desjardins Insurance, \$2000-\$3000 (Janelle will forward link to apply for money to Laura)
 - Staff, what would we like it to go towards? Megan will ask around
 - Ontario Student Nutrition Program & PC Grant Laura gave a description of how this works
- **Spring Fun Fair!** Let's continue the tradition.
- Possibility of fundraising for new equipment or something larger.. always an option.





PRINCIPAL REPORT

- I have received a very warm welcome from the staff, students, and families upon taking over from Ms. Leroux on Sept. 18th.
- Open House on September 18th was very well attended by Mustang families
- Leroy Hibbert was a guest speaker on Tuesday September 23rd to continue our learning on anti-racism and culture. He visited each class from grades 4 - 8 in the school and engaged with the students out on the vard.
- Our Senior soccer teams participated in the Perth Championships Sept. 25th with the boys team going undefeated. Our Junior soccer teams compete on Wednesday this week.
- Terry Fox fundraisers occurred during the week of Sept 22 26 (i.e. popcorn sales) and culminated with the Run by divisions on Friday Sept. 26 and the school was a sea of Red
- Tomorrow we will host our Truth & Reconciliation assembly to raise awareness of Indigenous history and learn about the Call to Action through Orange Shirt Day by having an Assembly
- We will also celebrate our students with our monthly "GOD-cha" assembly to recognize our responsible collaborators from the OCGEs
- Pat Cook Run to take place after school Sept. 30 Go Mustangs!

PARISH REPORT

- Opening school / Thanksgiving Mass Thurs. October 2nd at St. Joseph's @ 9:30am, JK/Sk classes remaining at the school and having a Thanksgiving liturgy
- Retreats are beginning shortly (Grade 4 October 8th)
- Details about sacramental preparation should be arriving soon

OTHER BUSINESS / Comments

- Additional school messenger reminder email the morning of the meeting was well received
- Should there be a virtual option to join meeting?
- At Parent-Teacher Interviews Janelle to stand at a table to invite newcomers to CSAC will create either a display board, sign-up sheet or next meeting cards to hand out to parents and caregivers

NEXT MEETING 7:00pm Thursday November 30th

CLOSING PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for your presence with us this day.

As we depart from this space now, we ask you to bless us throughout the remainder of the day and guide us safely home.

Do not let the learning and conversations of this gathering die, but, instead, may they continue to ruminate within us and bear fruit in our ministries throughout the year, until we find ourselves together again.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit,

Amen.



