

MINUTES

Holy Spirit Catholic School Parent Advisory Council

February 22, 2011

In attendance

Joe MacLellan
Margaret Cargill
Steve Dempsey
Darryl Wishnowski
Nadia Rhodes
Kerry Hardy

Donna Power
Sheila Glebe
Kim Miron
Diane Stang
Terrill Lizotte
Leslie Hart

Call to order and opening prayer

The meeting called to order at 6:35.
Opening prayer by Steve Dempsey

Old Business

- No old business was discussed.

New Business

- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.
 - The knights of Columbus have offered to sponsor the pancake supper.
 - School Council members will be responsible for the set-up, clean-up and take down.
- Hot Lunch - soup Tuesdays
 - March is the last month for soup Tuesdays.
- Evergreen School Division Council of Councils
 - Donna Power and Margaret Cargill will be attending a Council of Councils meeting in Spruce Grove on February 23.

Administrator's Report

- The administrators report was presented by Steve Dempsey and Sheila Glebe

1. Activities That Have Occurred

- Vicki had a little boy Nathaniel: Angela Psalios in 3 times a week in the afternoon
- Grade 5 and 6 Instructional Mass was awesome
- Grade 7 and 8 Instructional Masses were great
- Family Dance was a great deal of fun... about \$1800.00 to paired reading books
- Interim Reports on January 28 went out.
- PD Day on January 31 was fabulous..... met in cooperative groups and learned how to use a new internal program called "Sharepoint"
- Teacher Convention on February 10-11: great sessions on 21st Century Learning and Changing Education
- Leduc Knights of Columbus Poster Contests: winners of Grade 4-6 and pins handed to all students
- Fire Drills and Lock Downs
- Literacy Week was great: Grandparents, bookmarks, dust covers, Celebrity Readers, awesome week...
- Student Council Friendship Bracelets on Valentines day were a success.
- HSCS junior high students went to John Paul II for a Valentines dance
- Canspell Spelling Bee was on Sunday: Robbie finished in the top 20 out of 70 spellers
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2. Activities That Will Occur

- Basketball continues: Playoffs start this Thursday
 - ART CLUB Continues
 - Journal Games on Feb 23
 - Church Tours: Grade 1 on Feb 23 and Grade 3 on March 1 (Grade 2 was postponed, to be rescheduled: weather dependent)
 - WISEST on Feb 23: Four Grade 6 girls with Mrs. Matter
 - CWL Essays/Poster contest entries due on Feb 24
 - Student Council: Retro Day on Feb 24, PJ and Slipper Day on March 4, Bad Hair Day on March 10; Ball Cap Day on March 24
 - AIDA this Friday, Feb 25 (early lunch at 10:45 AM)
 - STA Councilors on March 2, regarding grade 8 students enrolling for grade 9
 - Grade 5/6 and Grade 6 Trip to Telus on March 4
 - Skating: rescheduled to March 9-10
 - Report Cards out March 14
 - Learning Clicks on March 16 for Grade 8 students: Learning Clicks provides free presentations to youth and adults to motivate and prepare them for education and training beyond high school
 - Interviews on March 17 and 18
 - Burn Presentation on March 18
 - ECS and Grade 2's to Telus on March 17 and 18
 - Open House: March 22, this is intended for new families, not for families already attending HSCS
 - Talent Show: March 25 (Rehearsals next week)
 - Eastern Canada Trip on March 24, 17 students and 2 chaperones will go.
3. ECS Change of Entry back to before March 1, as per Alberta School Act.
 4. Open House and Enrolment: March 22, see above.
 5. Budget out Thursday: looks bleak
 6. CFEP Grant (matching grant for the playground installation), resubmitted for March 15th

Fundraising Report

- No report was presented.

Trustee's Report

- presented by Joe MacLellan
 1. The Evergreen Catholic S.R.D. No. 2 supports the Alberta Governments draft proposed framework for establishing a Separate School District in Alberta.
 2. Rules of conduct, assessment of ski ability and parental consent forms have been revised.
 3. Trustees will soon be reviewing the ECSRD mission and vision statements.
 4. A Councils of School Councils meeting will be held on February 23 in the ECSRD offices.
 5. Planning has started for school boundaries for St Joseph School and St Marguerite School in Spruce Grove, to be implemented in 2012, because of the new high school opening.
 6. St Peter High School is on schedule for a September 212 opening.
 7. Smart boards will be installed in 95% of the classrooms before June 2011
 8. The 2011 Alberta Budget will be officially published February 24.
 9. The meningococcal immunization for grade 9 students has started.

Parish Liaison Report

- presented by Nadia Rhodes
 1. Gerald and Nadia have meet with Father T twice.
 - he enjoys having the students attend mass

- he would like to come into the school more, Nadia suggests he requires an invitation to do so.
- Father is looking for ways to reach out to families
 - he encourage all to attend the parish council meetings
 - couples study circle
 - mothers group on Tuesday
 - K4J, to start up again, they need volunteers
 - Conquest, a boys group to start after March 9, there will be monthly meetings
 - Challenge group for girls

Closure

- Margaret Cargill closed the meeting at 7:30pm
- Next meeting March 21, 2011 at 6:30pm.