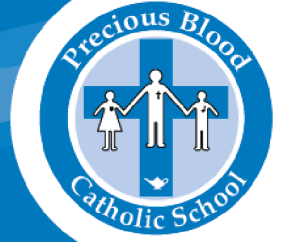




PRECIOUS BLOOD

CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Catholic School Advisory Council Minutes

March 25, 2024 - 4:30 pm

Participants: Lindsay Barton, Jessica Bickell, Elly Regier, Amy Wilhelm, Kerri Lyn Courtney, Rhonda Regier, Kass Ferguson, Heather Dickins, Heather McArter, Jayme Lamoureux, Heather Becker, Brenyn Hodge

Regrets: Sarah Sadler, Carla Goodfellow, Lindsay Armstrong, Dawn Rasenberg

Welcome, Prayer

Service Dog

- board approved a service dog application for a student in gr 2, first in our board
- an information assembly was held this morning to inform students about the role of the dog and the need to respect that the dog is at work when at the school
- school team received a full day of training
- service dog trainer, Christina Galante and her student, Riley, from Lions Foundation of Guide Dog Guides, provided some general information to council and was available to answer any questions

Review of October, 2023 Minutes

Principal Update

- Lake Huron Family of Parishes Update
 - no update at this time
 - any information provided by parish is always included in week at a glance, also sent directly to any specific families it may involve such as sacramental preparations
 - families encouraged to attend monthly student led Masses, information found in the week at a glance
- Parent Evening
 - joint evening with Mt Carmel and St Boniface school communities regarding Equity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism held on Feb 28 at PBS
 - was attended by 10 parents
 - funded using Parent Reaching Out grant
 - aligns well with our Equity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism goal of SIP and supports bullying awareness and prevention efforts as part of our Safe and Healthy School Committee plan
- EQAO will be administered May 21-31 for all students in Gr 3 & 6
 - will follow similar online model as last year
- Grad being held at the church on Tuesday June 18 (liturgy, graduation ceremony) at 5:30
 - refreshments will be provided afterward



- year end trips
 - Kindergarten, Gr 1 & 2, Gr 3 & 3/4, Gr 4/5 & 6, and Gr 7 & 7/8 trips are currently being planned
 - [Educational Field Trips and Excursions Policy](#)
 - new policy outlines approvals needed, acceptable activities and supervision ratios
 - new safety requirements also implemented
 - excursions must also connect directly to the curriculum with learning activities planned before and after the trip
 - have access to Outdoor Education Grant funds (\$1824.00) which will be used to supplement cost
 - also hope to use proceeds from hot lunches as well to offset costs
 - as with all excursions, a note will be included on the permission form for parents to reach out to principal if financial assistance is needed, some families may be approached directly and confidentially, use hot lunch proceeds
 - all families are strongly encouraged to consider purchasing Student Accident Insurance
 - the [Student Accident Insurance Letter](#) has been included in week at a glance periodically throughout the year and will be posted again soon should parents wish to have more info before the year end trips
 - insurance is valid for one full year from the time of purchase

Grocery Tape Receipts

- cheque received from Hansen's for \$176.20 on Feb 3, 2024

Healthy Food Program

- special healthy snacks will be purchased for students writing EQAO
- Frozen yogurt tubes for school track and field day
- provide fruit/veggie trays for Graduation reception, possibly cookies

Spring BBQ

- very well attended
- BBQ planning for this spring
- reviewed BBQ 2023 notes
 - profit of \$310 will be used to start up this year
- will hold Wednesday June 5 from 4:30-6:00 following similar plan as last year
 - will see if parish hall could be booked if inclement weather, gym unavailable due to set up for Willy Wonka play
 - Heather B will contact Hansen's re: hamburgers, hotdogs, cupcakes, condiments
 - Lindsay confirmed Cam would help BBQ using large grill
 - treasure table items will be requested again
 - volunteers will be sought closer to the date
 - held Wednesday May 10, 2023 from 4:30-6:00 with rain date for May 11
 - do not want to make any profit so all food orders will only cover cost

Budget Update

- current balance of council funds as of March 25, 2024 is \$5521.71
- review of [School Generated Funds Report](#)

Fundraising Plan



Possible Considerations

- \$3000 padded volleyball nets
- new shed and footings (estimated to be \$2000-3000 if made by secondary students), may need to defer to another year

Fundraisers

- able to hold 2 fundraisers per school year and must have a plan for funds first
- this year
 - Chocolate factory fundraiser total raised \$1153.87
 - Christmas \$597.32
 - Easter \$556.55
 - Huron Ridge total raised \$970.15
 - Christmas \$700.15
 - Spring \$270.00
 - \$2124.02 total annual funds raised
- last year (2022-23)
 - Greyhaven Gardens total raised \$1057
 - Christmas fundraiser raised \$641
 - Spring fundraiser raised \$416
 - Chocolate Factory fundraiser raised \$1232
 - \$2289 total annual funds raised

Approved Expenditures

- \$546.16 pizza for Open House
- provide \$200 to each teacher to support field trips, guest speakers (13 teachers including itinerants and SERT = \$2600) - will use hot lunch funds
- \$350 Grad (\$25/grad = \$25 x 14) - will use hot lunch funds
- \$3000 padded volleyball posts and net - will use council funds
- \$310 BBQ start up - will use council funds (carried forward from last year's BBQ)

Next Meeting

- Monday, June 17 at 5:30 final meeting at The Barn for dinner. Heather B will make reservations.
- Spring BBQ date - Wednesday, June 5 4:30-6:00 pm

