

Dec 2, 2024 | 📅 School Council Meeting

Attendees:

Council Members:

- Gina Anderson (GA)
- Robyn Burns (RB)
- Shirah Davis (SD)
- Sara Poirier (SP)
- Jody Eikelboom

Administration:

- Maria Gray, Principal (MG)
- Patti Oxford, Vice-Principal (PO)

Invited guests:

- Richard Poirier

Community Members:

- Cara Schamber
- Uyanga Wren

Regrets:

- Kirsten Behnka (Secretary/Treasurer)

1. Welcome and opening prayer
2. Adoption of minutes
 - a. Gina adopted
 - b. Sara second
3. Adoption of Agenda
 - a. Gina adopted
 - b. Sara Second
4. Principals Report
 - a. See attached
 - b. Question re: Wild School
 - i. Working out kinks
 - ii. About 10-12 kids
5. Financial Report
 - a. having a hard time cancelling cheques at the bank

- b. there are benefits at the bank to be a non-profit, so encouragement to look further into that
- 6. CEAY Report (SP)
 - a. last meeting had a lot of new school council members
 - b. lots of questions about what is the purpose of CEAY etc.
 - i. conversation about the bridge between school and church
- 7. Bus Report
 - a. frustrating challenges to get in the meeting
 - b. minutes from the meeting will be coming
 - c. Richard will check messages to make sure folks can get in
 - d. next meeting is sometime in February
 - e. biggest challenge in bussing is more about behaviour on the bus – it is a big concern and seems like ‘no man’s land’ behaviour-wise and activity
 - f. feels like there isn’t support to change and make it a healthier place
- 8. Nut- Friendly school
 - a. ‘Effective January 6, 2025 HFES is now a nut-friendly school’ (add in rest of the motion)
 - b. ‘Effective January 6, 2025 HFES is now a nut-friendly school. Grades 4-7 will be completely nut-friendly and K-3 classrooms without an anaphylactic allergy present will also be nut-friendly. K-3 classes WITH anaphylaxis will be nut-free as needed and these situations will be reevaluated and communicated year to year.
 - c. Current and future staff will do online training re: anaphylaxis at <https://www.allergyaware.ca/courses/>.
 - d. An EpiPen and pack of Benadryl will be kept in the office and photos of students with list of anaphylactic allergens will be posted in classroom with details re: their personal EpiPen location and emergency contacts’

Vote:

Motion: Move to be a nut-friendly school, pending that these things happens

- Epi-pen and Benadryl
- Staff trained
- Pictures and Printouts

Robyn moves, Sara seconds – all in favour!

Motion: Council to spend up to \$150 for an epi-pen for office supply

Unanimous passing

9. School concert

- a. Come! It will be at 6 pm
- b. Volunteer (former student) will help out that evening

10. School food questionnaire

- a. AYSCBC is doing a review and has formed a committee to look at a universal food in school program, Jody provided a response (Maria double checked it, and a separate questionnaire was sent to administrators)
- b. Chair of the Committee has committed to providing a copy of the minutes when done.

11. Mud kitchen

- a. No update

12. Babysitting Course Update

- a. bringing in a different person
- b. dates as soon as possible
- c. April would be preferable
- d. check on the ratio and number of students that can be accepted (15 had been interested)
- e. including 'if you have a child participating, we expect you to help out with supervision'
- f. Robyn to pursue

13. Catholic Identity Survey

- a. at CEAY meeting, there was a question about a Catholic School questionnaire
- b. student survey (grades 4-6), two additional questions added onto
- c. all parents can fill out the survey
- d. can be a really neat way to find out more about what the school growth plan

Sidebar: Current Focus of School Growth Plan – math

14. Parental Concerns

- a. question from a parents on the content on the transparency for the new unit on Residential Schools

- b. department has offered to come and provide information
- c. future agenda (new year)

15. Review of former action items

- a. Christmas cards – with Canada Post not going, didn't happen.

16. In camera sessions

17. Other request:

- a. School Growth Plans for future agenda

2024 – 2025
Principal's Monthly Summary
Holy Family Elementary School (Area 1)

Date: November 2024

Current Enrolment by Class:

Class	# of Students total=
K - Sanford/Kim	15
K/1 – Shoenberg/Hougen	14
1 - Todd	15
2 - Schamber	22
3 - Wiggins	22
4 - Doyle	25
5 - Boiteau	21
6/7 - Gillis	24
6/7 - LaLonde	24
TOTAL ENROLLMENT:	182

Staffing Updates:

Name	Comment
Bella Matthews	.5 EA

Professional Development Activities

Participant	Date	Type of Activity
Conner Anderson	Nov. 7 & 8, 2024	1 st Aid Training
Roslyn Hougen	Nov. 7, 2024	R2L Training
Vance Hutchinson	Nov. 25 & 26, 2024	NCI Training
Lionel Colaci	Nov. 25 & 26, 2024	NCI Training

Student Activities and Field Trips

Type of Activity	Date	Program	# of students
Gr. 4 & 5 Skating	Nov. 3, 2024	Rec Skate CGC	49
Gr. 6 & 7 Skating	Nov. 19, 2024	Rec Skate CGC	47
Volleyball Tournament	Nov. 14 & 15, 2024	Sports	16
Gr. 2-4 Arctic Sports	Nov 26, 2024	Sports	12
Gr. 5-7 Arctic Sports	Nov. 27, 2024	Sports	14

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Special School Events and Special Days (i.e. Parent Teacher Interviews)

Date	Event/Day
Nov. 1, 2024	Parent Teacher Interviews
Nov. 8, 2024	Remembrance Day Ceremony
Nov. 12, 2024	PD Day

Religious Education Activities

Nov. 1-30, 2024	Intermediate Gr. 3-7 Morning Prayer every Friday
Nov. 1-30, 2024	Gr. 7 PM Prayer on announcements
Nov. 8, 2024	Remembrance Day Liturgy
Nov 1-30, 2024	Christmas concert and advent preparation

Growth Planning and Assessment Activities

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Health and Safety

Accident Reports	2
Bus Incidents	
Fire Drills	
Earthquake Drills	
Lock Down Drills	
OHS Committee Meeting	Nov. 19, 2024

Facility Issues – Action Taken to Date

Heat in Gr. 1 not working and the thermostat not hooked up. Has been fixed.

Any other news/business

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Principal's Signature:
