



St. Gabriel School Council

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Minutes - March 14, 2018

6:30pm School Staff Room

This meeting was called to order at 6:32pm with an opening prayer done by everyone.

In attendance:

John Barfoot, Sarah Dube, Ashley Seniuk, Marianne Corbett, Gayleen Sinclair, Jennifer Malbon

The minutes from the February 7, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved by Sarah Dube and seconded by Gayleen Sinclair.

Principal Report:

ASCA Workshop is tomorrow night, April 15th from 7-8:30pm at Father Beauregard. All parents are welcome to attend. The workshop is on school council purpose. The 2018 draft calendar has been approved by the board. It remains the same as discussed at the last meeting. First day of school is Aug. 27, 2018. Nothing to report on Bill 17.

Co-Chair Reports:

There were 89 volunteers for the past month and the volunteer parking permit draw went to Sarah Dube.

Crosswalk – Lesly from Safe Community Wood Buffalo responded on her meeting with the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and the roads manager on Feb 16, 2018. She provided a business case.

Alien In-line Skating will be March 26-29th for class instructions and March 27th for family skate night. So far 56 volunteers signed up for the skate night. With the majority being in the first two sessions and only a couple in the last session.

For school supplies Staples has less options and add ons. School Start has more options and possibility of shipping directly to homes. E.g. Starter packs with everything needed and customizable packs. School council agrees this is a better option and will proceed with School Start and offer only shipping to home.

Susan advised Sarah that our best option for the Canada Post Grant is the breakfast program. The inline skating would also qualify but there is an emphasis on building capacity and developing something. Since our breakfast program is just starting we can apply for the grant in hopes that we can expand and offer more variety. The group unanimously agree to apply for funding for the breakfast and apples program.

We can get discount of \$214 for the Christmas Store 2018 if we sign up early by May 15th. The group agreed to continue with the Christmas Store next year. The week of Dec 05, 2018 was chosen as a tentative date.



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Review of the First Aid Fundraiser – Due to the large order requirements and shipping costs School Council agrees not to move forward with the fundraiser.

Sprucing up the washrooms: Addition of motivational quotes to beautify the washrooms and inspire. Leader and Me are working on a similar project.

Coordinator Reports:

Smoothie Day raised \$260. Smencils brought forwards as an additional fundraiser. These are scented pencils made of recycled materials. School Council agrees to purchase 500 as a trial run. Suggestion to introduce to classes prior to fundraiser- 10 min in class demo. School Council unanimously agree.

Next bulletin board will promote the Spring Fun Afternoon and Smencils.

Valentine 's Dance profits reviewed- Total profit after expenses: \$919.29. Consideration of using Little Caesars because they have a multi grain option. Event could use more volunteers in the future. E.g. Second person at the door, more volunteers for the ticket tables, face painting, more or different games. Writing down the ticket numbers for the raffle slowed down the line but made drawing the next day easy. 50/50 tickets could be ripped into groups of 3 ahead. Look into Community Service Class at Father Merc next year to possibly get volunteers with a donation to the school.

Breakfast program is proving to be a good fit for the school. Agreeable items by school council: yogurt tubes, cheese strings and cheerios.

Spring Fun Afternoon will be May 2nd. School Council agreed to have it from 3-4pm in the gym, will not include the fitness activity and snack, it will include the following 4 crafts: suncatchers, beading, sticker mosaic craft, and wood baskets/magnets (left over from last year). Will also have an art wall where kids can draw and doodle on when they complete their crafts. If student is EEP/K recommend a parent to also attend.

Treasurer Report:

Summary of Account Balances on February 28, 2018 - Community of Spirit Account: \$2,145.94

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Total Deposits \$15,836.52

Closing Comments and Round table:

The book fair post on our Facebook has received a lot of likes.

Next Meeting Date and Time: April 11, 2018 - 6:30pm-8pm. All parents welcome!