



## **CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, February 4, 2025 6pm-7pm**  
**OLOF Learning Commons**

**Attended: Parents** – Amy Ross, Carole Ellams, Jenni Pigozzo, Lynn, Michelle Raymond, Krista Smith, Renee Ciotti, Sarah Reel, Sarah Walwyn **Staff** - Dan Mastroianni, Steph Gorloff

Review of Previous Minutes - approved

### Treasurer Report

- General \$9754.27
- Foundation \$29,849.63
- Total \$39,603

### Principal Report

- E-sports had it's first tournament last week. 25 kids on the team. Due to bus cancellations it was held on site in the library. Kids were all very engaged and had a good time. Results haven't been announced yet. The school was able to secure 4 additional tvs and 3 Nintendo Switches so now 16 kids can play at once.
- Parking changes in the area have been causing issues. Dan to meet with a Student Transportation Planner this week to discuss possible solutions.
  - Do we have a Safe 5? Local parking/walking options. Dan to get a new version set out after the meeting.

### Updates from Prior meeting

- Tents for track events - TBD
- Pancake overhaul - spatulas and griddles - ordered. Total \$186, came in under budget
- Sports equipment for recess - on hold until new storage items arrive
- Wagons for Kindergarten - purchased - teachers are happy with them
- Playground Fundraising - \$100,000 goal - Amy and Krista met with Bienenstock. They have offered to virtually attend a future meeting to present options for natural playground options. We don't have to use them, but want to have a realistic idea of what we can plan for in the future. Currently scheduled the attend the April meeting.
- Confirmation Gifts and First Communion gifts - we need to confirm how many are remaining but will need a new option. The previous vendor no longer offers the wooden designs. Look around for ideas in the \$3 range.

### Turkey Lunch wrap up

- Everything ran quite smoothly this year.
- We added several options for families to help cover additional costs (\$1, \$2, \$5, \$8) and brought in a total of \$3137 from parents. Total paid with council funds was \$1410. This is on par with last year's numbers.

### Shrove Tuesday

- Country Girl will once again donate pancake mix
- Will share the ingredient list for regular and gluten free mixes and share with parents so we have the correct amount of each.

### For the Love of Reading Grant

- Ms. Lefter was going to look into this. We may not qualify. Will need to follow up status.

### Teacher Wishlists

- Decodable books for primary home reading \$300/70 titles. They would need more than one set. Council approved purchase of one set for now and we can reevaluate at a future meeting if we can fund additional sets.

### New Items

- PRO (Parents Reaching Out) Grant - we applied last week, approval came through. \$400 to be used on a STEAM themed parent night. We also have access to \$500 from the Parent Involvement Committee.
  - Could be a math or science based event, meant to have parents and students attend and move through different stations.
  - We can have Bienenstock present a 'how to re engage with outside play' session. There are a couple options available - virtual session for parents and then an in person with students the following day. Or an evening with outdoor play for parents and students. Amy will set up a meeting with Bienenstock, Dan and Council Chairs.
- Is there an option for outdoor winter toys - for snow play - that could be used for gym classes and not just recess.
- Could we have organized games at recess, run by older kids. Some other schools have done this successfully.

Next Meeting Date - April 1, 2025