

Father Leonard Van Tighem School Council meeting minutes
Tuesday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance: Sabra Roberts, Kaleigh Rey, Alejandra Pulido-Guzman, Brigida Chambers, Laurie Campmans, Brittney Perlich, Kayla Chapman, Christa Sawatzky, Celine Bassetto, Monique Atkins, Sheryl Benson-Loman, Valerie Archibald, Valentina Mazzocco, Amanda Morash, Crystal Lee, Kelly Roth, Amanda Lindemann, Vivien Kossuth, Danica Headley, Justin Molas.

Call to Order: 7:06 p.m.

1. Opening Prayer by Justin Molas.
2. Those in attendance added their name to the list.
3. Approval of minutes from June and September meetings by Sabra Roberts and second by Christa Sawatzky.
4. School Board Trustee, absent but Laurie read an email from Linda that said the Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) is inviting all school council members to participate in a survey aimed at gathering input on speakers and topics for upcoming events. The survey also seeks out ideas on how to best utilize the Alberta School Council Engagement Grant provided by the Ministry of Education to enhance council initiatives. Linda wanted all council members to take the survey in the ASCA website.
5. Principal Report by Laurie Campmans:
 - Cross Country zones are happening tomorrow and we hope our students do their very best.
 - Volleyball season has been going very well. In our Senior Hawks Classic, the girls got silver, the boys got gold and we also had the Jr. girls get bronze at Wilson this weekend.
 - There is a PD Day coming up on Tuesday for teachers.
 - Junior High Awards evening has been set for November 28, 2024 at 6 p.m. And we are looking for sponsors for various awards.
 - There is a Division Collaboration Day coming up on November 12, 2024 and everyone is very excited about that.
 - Spaces Night: only one parent showed up. That must mean that people are comfortable with it and that is what we hope is the case.
 - Fire Drill coming up on Thursday.
 - The tunnel will be painted thanks to a grant and in collaboration with the City.
6. Teacher report by Brigida Chambers:
 - The entire school will participate in creating an interactive art piece that will be displayed at Park Place Mall. Every class will be assigned a colour of the medicine wheel and a Hawk virtue, to create a colourful hawk.
 - Parent-Teacher interviews are coming up on November 20 and 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. with more information to come.
 - Halloween is coming up with the parade and activities for the kids.

7. Reports from Executive Committee:

- Chair, Sabra Roberts: nothing to report
- Vice Chair, Kaleigh Rey: did a presentation about the outdoor classroom that showcased the architectural design, location by the pond and potential cost.
 - She explained that the original idea was to have a dirt floor but if it is made with a concrete floor instead in hopes to use it more often regardless of the season.
 - Purchase of removable shades for the outdoor classroom. They would only be installed during the hottest months of the year to protect students and staff from the heat.
 - Outdoor picnic tables to make it functional for all grades.
 - A quote was done to run electricity to the outdoor classroom.
 - Water running to it was dismissed as it would be too complicated to do.
 - The back wall of the outdoor classroom will be white to accommodate the use of a projector if required by the teacher using it.
 - Vivien Kossuth with the School Division said while the land where the school is on is owned by the division, it is jointly used with the City and they help maintain the grounds.
 - Vivien said she will be submitting the information from the Community Foundation grant FLVT is applying for to go towards the outdoor classroom, along with the information from Kaleigh's presentation to the Joint Used School Grounds project request.
 - Amanda Linderman also with the Division said they will require a minimum of three quotes for the cost of the outdoor classroom.
 - Kaleigh said a variety of quotes are being done, for the total cost as well as for the cost in stages.
- Treasurer, Sheryl Benson-Loman: went over the following document.

Father Leonard Van Tighem PTA Council

Financial Report

Monthly report ending September 30, 2024

FLVT PTA held account Balance as of September 1, 2024

10,324.05

Receipts

School Council Fees

1,685.00

1,685.00

Disbursements

Cross Country Day Pizza

111.76

Welcome Back to School Event Days

400.00

Spaghetti Supper - Candy Bag Sales to eSports

181.00

Spaghetti Supper - Ice Cream Sales to Girls Volleyball

241.00

Spaghetti Supper - to Choir

153.85

Spaghetti Supper - Cake Walk

324.00

Spaghetti Supper - to Grade 6 Camp

161.00

Total Disbursements

1,572.61

Bank Balance at September 30, 2024

10,436.44

Commitments to October 2024 (estimate amounts)

We Are All Treaty People Poster Contest

300.00

HAWKS Virtue Vouchers

1,000.00

1,300.00

Estimated Balance at October 31, 2024

9,136.44

This financial statement has been reviewed and approved

Sheryl Benson-Loman

Sheryl Benson-Loman - Treasurer

11-Oct-24

Date

- Secretary, Alejandra Pulido: nothing to report.
- School Events: Vacant.
- Fundraising coordinators, Christa Sawatzky and Crystal Lee:
 - The winter fundraiser was set for November 18 on the website but asked to do two separate days for drop off and the next day for pick up. Storage is required and it will be inquired about.

Unfinished Business:

- Pulled pork dinner and dance: Kaleigh said it was set for November 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. Tim Craddock will DJ.
 - Hot dogs will be available for those who do not wish to eat pulled pork.
 - Dinner will be served with roasted potatoes and coleslaw.
 - Kayla Chapman will help with pricing.
 - Waiting on KOC about cooking the pork.
 - Brown paper needed for tables to let kids draw.
 - Alejandra will provide a roll of paper for the tables.
 - Silent Auction items needed, tables for them.
 - Executives took on various businesses to ask for silent auction items.
 - Activities for the evening will include cake walk, cookie decorating, silent auction.
 - How to set up tickets for pop, water and other extra items.
 - Waiting for debit machine.
 - Some options will be online for tickets.
 - Encourage people to bring cash.
 - Discussion about how to deliver purchased tickets.
 - Ticket for the dinner and dance will be \$15, based on what it would cost through a catering service, and to be able to raise sufficient funds.
 - Competition between classrooms for the outdoor classroom fundraiser, with pizza party as prize.
 - Kaleigh motioned the ticket price to be \$15 and it was second by Sabra.
 - \$1 tickets for the other items.
- Vacant position for School events and Communication, not filled.
- Fundraisers: too many happening at the school, needs to be approached differently.

Asks:

- Food options request a freezer and a microwave, between \$1,000 and \$1,500 for a standing freezer and the microwave.
- Motion was made by Sabra to not exceed \$1,000 second by Crystal second.

New Business:

- School Name outside of the building needs to be replaced: will be fixed by the school division.

Questions/comments/suggestions from parents:

- why changed the school photo provider?
- Justin Molas explained their contract with Lifetouch was up and decided to do a trial run with the new company.
- Picture packages are more expensive with the new company. Parents feel LifeTouch is better price.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.