

Father Leonard Van Tighem School Council meeting minutes  
Tuesday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance: Shannon Collier, Crystal Lee, Christa Sawatzky, Andrea Bezooyen, Wendy Iwanczuk, Jennifer O'Neill, Lindsay Spadavecchia, Loan Cao-Dutch, Patty Wright, Alejandra Pulido-Guzman, Brigida Chambers, Celine Bassetto, Justin Molas, Cason Machacek.

Call to Order: 7:03 p.m.

1. Opening Prayer by Shannon Collier
2. Those in attendance added their name to the list.
3. Approval of October Minutes by Christa Sawatzky and second by Andrea Bezooyen.
4. School Board Trustee, Linda Ellefson sent her regrets.

5. Principal Report by Shannon Collier:

**Adjusted School Year Calendar date:**

Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>: Instructional Day changed from PD Day

**Parent/Teacher Interviews & Reporting:**

**Parent/Teacher Interviews:** (sign up using Conference manager)

**Fall/Winter Interviews:** Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, November 27, 2025

**Spring Interviews:** Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, March 26, 2026

**Student Report Cards:**

Previous windows for elementary reporting were to have been the end of November, the end of March, and the end of June. This will be adjusted to one reporting period in January and one in June for elementary.

**Elementary reports are now scheduled to go out on January 26 to parents.**

Junior and Senior High reporting to occur with previously established timelines.

**JH Academic Awards 2024 2025 School Year:**

The Academic Awards Evening will take place on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Invitation letters have been sent out to those students (and their families) that are receiving an award.

**Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities:**

All extracurricular and co-curricular activities have resumed. Future Activities are expected to continue as previously scheduled for the remainder of the school year.

## **Fundraising Timelines and Approvals:**

I have a document set up for staff to add all fundraisers with details and timelines for my approval.

Please provide me with a list from school council and I will add it to this document. Once I have collected all of the requests, I will filter and make approvals for this school year. In May/June 2026, proposals will be done, and I will approve in August for the following school year.

### **6. Teacher report by Brigida Chambers:**

There is a lot of positive energy, and everyone is excited to be back. We have our Remembrance Day service on Thursday and all families are welcome to come at 10:40. We have the beginning of advent, and we will have a liturgy each week and families are welcome to attend. The first one is on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:30.

### **7. Reports from Executive Committee:**

- Chair-Crystal Lee: Nothing to report
- Vice Chair: vacant
- Treasurer-Christa Sawatzky: Need to touch base with Kennedy and need to get the binder from Sheryl.
- Secretary, Alejandra Pulido: nothing to report.
- School Events and Communication – Andrea Bezooyen: need to update the board Friday and before Christmas.
- Fundraising coordinator – Kaleigh Rey: sends her regrets

### **Motions:**

- Motion by Wendy Iwanczuk, to allot the same amount of money as 2024 for Family Night with an additional amount to not exceed \$100 to account for inflation. Motion second by Crystal Lee.
- Motion to sponsor the same Junior High Award from last year at the same value by Andrea Bezooyen and second by Wendy Iwanczuk.

### **General discussion:**

- FLVT had great representation during cross country. Grade 6 took their first trial in the co-curricular side of things. We had the fastest Grade 7 student in the city, and he won zones. Grade 8 students competed well with couple students ending in the top 5 and they were very respectful during the bus ride to Medicine Hat.
- For Britney Perlich to continue with Cuppers Coffee fundraising.
- Vegetables fundraising it's a no due to the strike.
- To contact greenhouse in Coalhurst found by Christa in May/June for vegetables fundraising, for him to grow extra vegetables.

- To share the wreath fundraising with friends and families.

Unfinished Business:

- More fundraising ideas and check fundraising calendar to make sure there are no overlap with fundraising from school.
- Schedule Family Dance, discussed possible dates of February 5, or February 6.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: December 9 at 7 p.m. at FLVT Library.