

Heart of the Community, Success for Each, A Place for All

School Council Minutes

Date:	Oct 28, 2014	Facilitator	Gary Simon, Anna Winnett	Prayer:	JD
Time:	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Location:	Library	Recorder:	Denise Porter

Present: John Dietrich, Annette Dlugokeki, Robert McQuillan, Paul Radocchia, Christine Hampton, Martina Rett, Cheryl Huehn, Debbie Nafziger, Amy Mesina, Deonne Cerullo, Anna Winnett, Denise Porter, Gary Simon, Joanne Klausnitzer, Pam Cruz

Absent: Suzy Petrosina

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions	Motion to approve September minutes – Debbie Nafziger 2 nd by ?	
	Finance – see attached financial summary from John Current balance is \$9868.35 Money from Uniform sales, PIC Grant \$500, and Pro-Grant \$1000 Tips brochure quantity seems to be working out as not many left over – need to update it for this year's grade 8 night.	John will send out tips brochure this week to council to preview for edits. Members please bring edits to November meeting.
	\$7,268.35 is amount available after projected council expenditures. Question as to whether we add the Grade 12 retreat to our annual council expenses. It is an ongoing program. Consensus to add it to standing expenses at \$600.	John will put message out to the school regarding the process to apply to Council for funds at November meeting
	Question as to whether we add more support to graduation. Costs will be higher this year with different venue.	
	Proposed council expenditures	



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	Gary moved Debbie 2nded it consensus	
Student Report	5. 6:45 - Student Report – Co-Presidents, Student Council – Robert McQuillan and Paul Radocchia Pep rally last Wednesday during period 3. All teams did a performance in front of the school. Videos and captain interviews, wave team and Godspell production did skit. Also did a game and gave out tattoos. Gave out thunder sticks and decorated the gym. Good feedback	
	Spiritweek this week. Allowed to wear Spiritwear all this week. It was clearly communicated today that it is for waist up for remainder of week. Contests are running at lunch time. Fly on the wall contest – teams had a volunteer who was taped to the wall – whoever stayed taped for the longest won Pumpkin carving contest tomorrow and they will be at dance Dress your teacher contest for fun Coffee house (musical acts from different arts programs in the school) was on October 16 this month – went well. Funds come back to the school but it doesn't generate a lot of income as parents and grade 9's are no charge. Events are generally run as cost recovery vs making money.	
	Spiritwear – online orders are due by tonight. Sizes and samples were in the foyer last week. Possibility that it will reopen later in the year. It appears this format has been successful.	
	Halloween dance 7 to 10 Thursday in the cafeteria –tickets \$5 each and on sale until Wednesday. Photo booth and candy giveaways	



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	Trustee meeting – grade 7/8 conference at the waterloo children's museum. Will have 2 students (one grade 7 and one grade 8)from each feeder school come to this event. Still talking about a board-wide event but nothing is confirmed Leadership class – different groups are working on different events. Coming up Movember running throughout November. Teachers grow mustaches, students bid on who will grow best mustache. 15 students from student council will go to Ontario Student Leadership conference in Niagara falls for 3 days	
Principal's Report	Anniversary – Time capsule to be opened on November 2015 Friday October 9 mass will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby to celebrate the anniversary. Trying to get former students who have gone into priesthood. Also will be a closing out mass. Looking for members to join organizational committee -	Christine will put out an email to the booster club
	Cashless school. – rolling out so registration and field trip forms, sports fees, etc. can be filled out online. Cash will still be an option. Staff training will be done in November. Rollout by January. Getting people to sign up will be a challenge The board is paying the upfront fees and trips will be rounded up to cover transaction fees. Credit cards are not an option because of the high transaction	John will ask who collects the interest on the preloaded cards.
	fees. It will take the burden off of the office staff. First Lego League- looking for judges with engineering or math background Question about perception that only Catholic students are able to enroll in Catholic	Forward any names to John of interested volunteers. Christine will send out a request through Booster



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	schools. This is not the case.	Club
Chair Report	Academic Awards Night – Teresa Palmer Academic Awards – the night went well – well organized and venue went smoothly. The Mc's did an awesome job. Congratulations to Theresa for a great job. Looking to hold it at St. Agnes next year as St. Michaels is under construction Grade 8 Night preparation, December 4 – Anna Grade 8 night December 4, 6 – 8 –willing volunteers – Cheryl Huehn, Debbie Nafziger and Amy Mesina, Pam Cruz, Deonne Cerullo, Comment about grade 8 night by Students – looking for the venue to be a little changed up. Perhaps we could do something a little different to keep things interesting. Maybe a fun activity to start off the event. Update the photos in the slideshow. Maybe have Sedrick make an appearance. Perhaps a demonstration of the Robot in the gym to show off the Robot. Short Godspell performance. Emphasis that arts programs are not just at select schools. Music students performing throughout the school. Family of Schools Meeting – Gary Family of schools – Gary is still waiting to hear back from the speaker on a date – he will try to line it up with a school council meeting night.	
New Business	Katrina Fleming volunteered to email the churches information from the school Unfortunate situation at St. David has become even more unfortunate with rumor and speculation. Focus should be on character education rather than anti-bullying.	
Next Meeting	January 27, 2015	

ST. DAVID CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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School Council Principal Report

October 2014

St. David Catholic Secondary School – 50th Anniversary

During the 2015-2016 St. David will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary. Event planning for the 50th will begin shortly and will be led by teachers from the school. If there are School Council or Booster Club members who would be interested in joining the organization committee please forward their name(s) and email address to John Dietrich.

We will kick off our anniversary year with our opening mass on October 9th with His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby as our celebrant!

Cashless School - Coming Soon

Last spring a number of elementary schools were involved in a cashless school pilot project. Based on the positive results from the pilot, cashless schools will be rolled out across the system later this year. Cashless schools will allow for online payment of athletic fees, field trip fees, registration fees, yearbook etc. as well as permission form completion. Payments can be made by either a echeque or MyWallet (a preloaded payment 'card' similar to a Tim Card). Staff training will be done in November and roll out to the parent/student community in December/January.

First Lego League Robotics

The regional FLL Robotics Tournament for elementary students will be hosted by our FRC team on Saturday, November 22nd. The competition is in need of some addition adult judges to assist with the tournament.

Would you like to inspire and be inspired by youth participating in a program for 9-14 year olds designed to get students excited about science, technology and engineering while they acquire the problem solving, project management, teamwork and critical thinking skills necessary for their future and for the future of society? If so, then a FIRST LEGO League tournament is the place for you

What better way to share in the fun and excitement of science, technology, engineering and mathematics with young people than by volunteering to judge at an FLL tournament? These events rely on volunteers like you to provide the opportunity for young people to celebrate their accomplishments. We have a critical need and are seeking volunteer judges for the St. David's FLL tournament on Saturday, November 22 2014 and would appreciate it if you would consider this opportunity.

Most tournaments are day-long events and there is just a small amount of preparation involved in registering and training to become a judge in one of the following three judging categories: robot, project and core values. Excellent training materials exist as well as support through video, webinars and email. Although hard to adequately describe, tournaments are fast moving, exciting and inspiring to see so many young people excited about engineering and science. It is an experience that you will remember for a lifetime.

Time commitment will depend on how many teams and judges we will have.

Our aim this year is to have about 18 teams and 3 judging lanes (i.e. 18 judges). What does this mean?

Each judging panel will see 6 teams and there will be some callbacks to decide upon the top teams.

If we can have 18 teams and 3 lanes of judges, the event will probably run from 7AM - 3PM (including award ceremonies).

Upcoming Events

Nov. 5	Grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day
Nov. 6	Pro-Life Assembly
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day Assembly – Period 2
Nov. 13	Semester 1 Grade 12 Retreat
Nov. 14	Morning Mass – 7:45am (Fr. Valk)
Nov. 17 – 21	Bullying Awareness Week
Nov. 19 – 21	Musical Production - Godspell
Nov. 20	Mid-Term Report Distribution
Nov. 21 – 28	Dominican Experience
Nov. 25	School Council 6pm – 8pm - Library
Nov. 27	SAC Dodgeball Tournament