



St. David Catholic Secondary School

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

School Council Minutes

Date:	Sept 26, 2017	Facilitators:	Glenda Leusink	Prayer:	Glenda Leusink
Time :	6:00pm	Location:	Library	Secretary:	Anna Winnett

Present: Glenda Leusink, Annette Dlugokecki, Sharon Lalor, Jennifer McDonald, Martina Rett, Paula Ronson, Anna Winnett, Denise Porter, Susan Smit, Sheryl Dineen, Dianne Benninger, Lidia Wilson, Christine Dixon, Cheryl Huehn,
Absent: Nancy Carse, Graciela Montes, Alison Schultz

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions	Prayer lead by Glenda Leusink. Motion to approve minutes from May 30th meeting. <u>Correction:</u> Sharon Lalor was present at the May meeting, but omitted from the attendance list.	May 30th minutes were corrected. Approved by Paula, 2 nd by Sharon
Principal's Report	Welcome to a new year. Discussed BIPSA/SIPSA. To be successful, we need to all move in the same direction, work towards the same goals. The role of Parent Council is to be a working group that aids and supports the school/student wellness. For example, facilitating a screening of Screenages which speaks to the issue of teen overdependence on devices. Pamphlets outlining the multi-year strategic plan were handed out. We are starting the third year of a three-year plan with a focus on collaborative learning and student engagement. Used Uniform Sale - was very successful, raising approx. \$7,500. Next year Sharon will take over Anna's role and run the sale with Sheryl Dineen. Glenda asked about running the sale longer so parents have more opportunity to shop, perhaps leaving it open during the first week of school or opening it up for Meet the Teacher Night or Interview Night. Barriers to this are the time it takes to set up/clean up and the large space needed. Advantages include more sales, helpful to parents, and it could bring more parents into the school (for whatever event is running the night the sale is reopened.)	Glenda will look into reopening the used uniform sale during Interview Night, using students to do the set-up in the cafeteria. Volunteer sign-up sheets for the Booster Club and a coffee station can also be there. Parents will be needed to run this event.

Principal's Report, cont'd	<p>Last year, we did not have a council member running the Booster Club, which lead to a lack of volunteers for events. We need to reinstate the volunteer coordinator position - someone who emails requests for help to the parents on the volunteer list.</p> <p>If anyone is interested in taking on the role of co-chair or secretary, please email Glenda.</p>	Susan Smit will set up a new email address and will co-ordinate Booster Club volunteers.
Student Report	No Report.	
Chair Report	No Report.	
New Business	<p>Screenagers Documentary - We do not yet know if Gary Simons received the PRO Grant for Screenages. We expect a decision will be made soon.</p> <p>Query: How is diversity represented in our school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - last year's Multicultural Day was very well received - we have the Be Real club for LGBTQ students - academic achievements, artistic achievements and athleticism are all celebrated. <p>Discussion ensued on how to connect with all our various cultures, including our 50 international students and our Columbian exchange students.</p>	Council will be mindful of diversity issues and look for opportunities to ensure St David continues to be ' <i>a place for all</i> '
Next Meeting	Tuesday, Oct. 24	