

**Wednesday, September 27, 2023**

### **School Council Agenda**

1. Territorial acknowledgement
2. Prayer
3. Welcome & Elections

Ms. Connelly & Mrs. Levecque welcomed back past and new parents to this year's school council meeting. Past members, Melissa Mathieu, Cortney Taylor, Brooke Beange, Giulia Carpenter, Rosa Munari, Kristin Hall (absent for the meeting but will continue for the 23/24 school year)

New members; Chris Anselmo, Hope Anselmo, Pauline Hall, Jimmy Bartolucci, Mercy Kingsley-Emereuwa, Jenni Donohue, Ayobami Ajeigbe and Hannah Thompson.

#### Elections

Brooke to reach out to Kristin if she would like to continue as possible president. Other members have put their name. Co-chair is also a possibility as well.

Cortney Taylor has volunteered to be secretary.

4. School Update

This year St. Francis enrollment has increased to 420 students. The school is preparing to receive 8 more students within the next two weeks. Right now, all classroom spaces are being used.

The AODA washrooms that were made over the summer are officially complete and ready to use. The kids are getting used to using them.

Hot lunches this year will be available to purchase in one block sections at a time. The office will no longer be doing cash and cash online options as it was a nightmare for the office staff to balance both. Pasta will be provided by TonyV's once again on Mondays for the month of October and then move to Tuesdays in November. Pizza day will continue to be Wednesday's. Currently St. Francis has multiple options for pizza day. Cheese, cheese and pepperoni, Gluten free/vegan free. A parent tonight asked why we offer so many options. Ms. Connelly to reach out to other schools to see what they do.

We do have students at this school that are kosher so having a meatless option is something to consider. Holy Cross has pepperoni only.

The office would love help on Wednesdays to facilitate pizza. 11:30am to 12:00pm Help on pasta days isn't quite as busy but would take help if anyone is willing to.

### Fundraisers

- Mabels Labels
- Scholastics Book Fair – November 13<sup>th</sup>-November 16<sup>th</sup>,2023. They will run the bookfair the night of the parent teacher interviews on the Thursday night. Asking for parent help to run the bookfair during the day.
- Nickel City Cheese Curds
- Local Jerky + (Holy Trinity did this last year and raised roughly \$2000)
- Little Cesars Pizza kits – March 2024. Arrival for after March Break.
- Freskview Farms Spring Flowers
- Scones Boxes
- Gift cards? (Fund script)

### Events

- Christmas Dance
- Family Fun Night

Parent council asking to see financials from last year fundraisers. What did well what didn't. This will be reported at the next meeting so we could finalize our year of fundraising.

The school has made parent council aware that the school yard as well as the bathrooms in the school need to be addressed in the future. Fundraisers this year should be focused on outside. Kids need more to play with outside. Balls are ending up on the roof.

#### 5. Regional School Council Update

We are waiting on dates for the regional school council meeting. Figured 3 or 4 times of year. November, January, and April. Once information is available by the board it will be passed along.

## 6. Library Revamp Project

The library lost its original space (downstairs) due to the high enrollment at the school. This room is now being used as a classroom. Right now, the library is currently in the gathering space upstairs. We will need to discuss a plan moving forward for the library at St Francis.

## 7. School Council Activity

## 8. Miscellaneous

## 9. Next Meeting Dates

We will set the next following meetings.

- Oct 25<sup>th</sup>,2023,
- January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and
- April 17<sup>th</sup>,2023 at 5:30pm.

## 10. Adjournment