



Holy Rosary School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 23, 2019 - 6:30pm

Attendees

Lori Tait (Principal), Jane Bourque, Olivia Koziarska, Tereza Korbel, Lindsay Lawrence, John Nahrgang, Caroline Sottile, Marta Fukasawa, Stephanie Bonnick, Veronique Blot Courtois, Mantyna Hebda, Mandy Armstrong

Regrets

Cynthia Singh (Just for Kids)

Action items

1. Jane to send email to determine sub committee for dance-a-thon
2. Marta and Lori to create pitch letter for fundraiser

Welcome and introductions

Elections 2019 - 2020

Co-chairs: Jane Bourque and Olivia Koziarska

Treasurer: Lindsay Lawrence

Secretary/note-taker: Mandy Armstrong

Nurturing our Catholic community

- Lori met with Father Rafal and the pastoral team in the summer. All plans are included on the website calendar (<https://holyrosary.wcdsb.ca/calendar/>).
 - We will continue with building on the pastoral letter with "Call to belong" in September, and "Gather to become" in October.
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- Focus on equitable access to technology and digital tools (eg. new 3D printer)

Student engagement, achievement and innovation

- EQAO scores were lower than expected for math in both Grade 3 and Grade 6. Not too far off from the provincial mark, but concerns were raised from a cohort perspective.
- Focus on understanding the reasoning behind those scores and how we can improve.

Building capacity to lead, learn and live authentically

- 3-year well being plan will be posted on the website
- Year 2 of the Umbrella Project to kick off in October with Empathy. Teachers are doing a book study, reading the book UnSelfie by Michele Borba.

Financial support

- Proposed transfer of \$2500 from School Advisory Council general to student needs and activities and excursions categories ($\$3347.33 - \$2500 = \$847.33$)
- Spending priorities were identified for the dance-a-thon fundraiser (\$8900):
 - Carpets for primary classrooms (\$1200)
 - Scientists in the school for every grade (\$2100)
 - Mandatory playground top up (\$500)
 - [JungleSport](#) (\$2500) to be matched by student fee & school budget
 - Outdoor play equipment for every classroom (\$1600)
 - Subsidy fund to assist with class excursions (\$1000)
- Link to Treasurer report

Next Meetings

- Monday, October 21st - Planning for October 31st dance-a-thon fundraiser
- Monday, December 16th - Potluck social
- Monday, January 20th - Planning for Shrove Tuesday
- Monday, April 27th - Regular agenda
- Monday, May 25th - Planning for end of year social (Scheduled for Thursday, June 11th)

Meeting adjourned: 8:10pm