

St. Marguerite d'Youville School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 29, 2025

6:00-7:15 pm

Learning Commons



In attendance: Nicole Brooks (principal), Ms. Lopez (teacher representative), Carla, Gabriela, Nikolai, Del, Patricia, Stacey, Marion, Miracle, Stephanie, Leslie, Teri, Natasha, Iyami, Mara

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement – Nicole Brooks
3. Prayer – Miracle
4. School council member elections
 - Iyami – Chair
 - Carla – co-chair
 - Mara – secretary
 - Teri – treasurer
 - Marion – social media
 - Gabriella and Natasha – school communications
 - Miracle – volunteer coordinator
 - Lesley – shopper
 - Miracle – CSPA representative
5. Report from Principal – Nicole Brooks
 - The theme this school year is Building Bridges, with a spiritual focus and helping/ including others
 - Father Rick visit classes weekly
 - There will be a Grade 5 Thanksgiving liturgy on October 9
 - There are 380 students at SMY currently. The school has grown by two classes. There is now a fourth kinder class and an additional primary class
 - There are two coop students from St. FX and Canterbury working in the JSN class
 - There is a University of Ottawa student teacher working with Ms. Bishoff
 - There is an ECE student from Algonquin in the Caterpillar class
 - The school got 35 new Chromebooks in June
 - There will be a cross country meet for the junior students
 - Wednesday is picture day

- Retakes will be in November
 - Group photos will be in February
 - Wise coding and robotics after school
 - Newsletters will not be going out monthly, rather when there are news to share
6. Financial report
- We are starting the year with approx. \$7000 in our account
7. Meeting dates
- October 27
 - November 24
 - January 12
 - February 9
 - March 23
 - April 20
 - May 25
8. Pizza will be Wednesdays and Subway will be Thursdays
9. Hot dog days: Nov 18, Feb 3, Apr 14, May 19
10. Movie nights: Oct 17, Dec 12, Feb 19, Apr 10. Will sell pizza as well in advance through School Cash Online
11. Cookie day: December 15
12. Family fun night: June 10
13. Lunch box – this is a service that simplifies the logistics of ordering and distributing various food items through School Cash Online. There was a discussion to pilot this platform for Booster Juice, but no resolution. To discuss at next meeting
14. Items for next meeting
- Lunchbox
 - Picking all the movies for all the movie nights in advance
 - Overview of budget
 - Big fundraising goal
 - Centralizing parent council records on an accessible online platform
 - PIC night, popcorn, Booster Juice, Spring raffle, Freezie day, Free Pizz day
 - Teacher breakfast – we had discussed last year to do it in the fall

Next meeting: October 27