

## Holy Redeemer Catholic School Council

### Minutes

April 21, 2026

*Call to order* – Paul Gautreau, Principal

#### *Land acknowledgment*

As we gather this spring, we acknowledge that we are on the traditional, unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe People. In this season of renewal, we give thanks for their enduring relationship with the land and commit to walking together in understanding and care.

#### *Prayer*

Loving Father, as we enter this season of spring, we thank You for this community and the families we serve. Help us to grow in unity and peace, and to reflect Your light in all we do as we work together in this season of new beginnings and hope. Amen.

#### Updates & Reports

##### a) Paul Gautreau, Principal

- PAL's have been recruited (over 30 grade 5's)
- Creating non-competitive games at recess with the PAL's. Games are collaborative. There will be 3-5 games available for the primary students to play together.
- Play structures are opening again.
- Current enrolment for next school year is status quo plus more. Kindergarten will likely need a fifth class.
- School trips are all planned for the end of the year.
- The school has purchased gym mats, desks for Juniors, new blinds for several rooms, new couches for the kindergarten classes, new Chromebooks, and the school will be purchasing new books for the library and for the classroom, possibly some yard games.
- Catholic education week is the first week of May: muffin breakfast, classroom visits, dance team, and times table rockstars.
- City Counselor Hubley put Holy Redeemer for a traffic project to have suggestions made on how we can do things better in the morning and afternoon for student pick-up and drop-offs.

##### b) Erin Stead, Treasurer

- \$7,905.55 Bank account total.
- \$4,065.75 Lunchbox year to date.

##### c) Kelly Bean, Parish Rep

- Cathy Koss doing youth groups every Friday.
- Knights of Columbus looking for bike donations.
- Beginning of May, they are collecting diapers and wipes for St.Mary's home.
- See more information on Parish newsletter on the website.

d) Jacinta Kemboi, CSPA Rep

- Classroom supply fund.
- Political items.
- TVO kids newsletter; safer streets for the kids.
- National volunteer the 19th to 25th of April.
- National day of mourning.
- Mental health week upcoming.
- More details and information on CSPA website.

e) Teacher Rep

- Similar to Principal update
- Grade two's had fun on their end of year field trip last week.
- Council to review toy suggestions for outdoor play.

New business/Debriefs

a) BBQ Planning, All

- What is the earliest the yard games guy can setup? - Earliest 3:15pm
- Check with food vendors to see what time they would like to setup.
- Zoo crew to come at 4:30.
- Council to decide about spending budget on face painting for BBQ depending on the cost of outdoor toys.

b) Give a lunch updates, Megan Mills

- Opening for donations again.
- 16 students getting pizza on pizza day with the donations.

5. Round table

6. Adjournment