

SJA School Council MEETING | November 5th, 2025

1. Call to Order- Else Forster 6:30pm

2. Opening Prayer – Principal – Joyce Robinson

3. Welcome and Introductions – Chair– List of attendees: Joyce Robinson - Principal Else Forster - Chair

Monish Chaturvedi- Co Chair (Away)

Sofia Auer-Kinder Rep

Aaron Taylor- Treasurer

Heather Loates-Junior Rep

Jessica Durant-Primary Rep

Vanessa Echlin- Fundraiser Rep PIZZA

Frances Barbe- Community Rep

Faye Bourassa-Teachers Rep

Blen Beyene- Member at Large

Secretary: Vacant: TEMP Frances filling in.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from October [October Meeting's Minute](#) - Vanessa Echlin

Motion to approve agenda for today- Faye Bourassa & Else Forster

4. Chair's Report – Else Forster

a. Play structure funds and estimates

i. We are scratching the survey.Changing name to read: Play Yard Refresh

ii. We are focusing on what we can do now instead of so far in the future.

iii. Suggestions: Lunch tables for KG side, Storage for KG side.

iv. Joyce & Else will tour the school for achievement plan

v. Joyce will provide a report on items that we can vote on in the next meeting

5. Principal's Report – Joyce

a. Pumpkin Raffle. Raised \$1000

b. Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:45am Nov 11

c. Tomorrow's presentation- Aubrey Noronaha Amazing public speaker is coming into the school to speak with Staff, Students. Online event for Parents NOV 6

d. School achievement plan NOV 12

e. Progress Reports going Home NOV 13

f. Progress Report and Interview Night on November 20th, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

g. Hot Lunch- Villa Marconi starting NOV 18- \$8.50 per plate. Running till DEC2025

h. Joyce will contact Mr. Arrow to see if we are in line for a new structure. On list?

i. ST PAULS has a Christmas Event - DEC 4th. We will attend to get ideas.

j. Drama night- Joyce is trying to plan this for the future. Since past events were so great.

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6. Treasurer's Report – Aaron Taylor

- a. Bank Account transfer Jessica as of this date has not transferred yet. She should be completing this soon. Joyce will follow up with Jessica.

7. Teacher's Report – Faye

- a. Choir is practicing. They have several events planned to perform.
- b. Primary games group is going well, indoor games instead of going outside
- c. Junior kids are busy-lunch monitors, echo schools, recycling programs.
- d. Planting going on next week.
- e. Teachers would like to confirm if the council will be paying for buses. Joyce will get back to us on how many buses they used on average last year and council will vote at the next meeting on paying for that number of buses.
- f. Outdoor equipment would be great: will be on the principals list but we would like to vote anyone and make this a regular purchase.

8. Fundraising Reports -

- a. Pizza- It's running very smoothly. Thank you, Vanessa! Little Caesars is our new pizza company. They are fantastic. On time, hot pizza, Kids are loving it. We are working on doing a shout out to them for really being a great partner in our school.
- b. Student Volunteer Pizza Lunch- Motion put forward for a party for Dec & June to celebrate the volunteers. Vanessa
- c. Dec 13 is our Christmas Market- Frances will be helping organize this event. We will have a meeting on Nov 13 with everyone who wishes to participate. Reaching out to Vendors in the community. \$30 per table. Santa, Crafts. Raffles. Joyce to reserve the GYM & LIBRARY for this event. Joyce will make announcements requesting donations for this event of baked goods, toys and books Starting after NOV 13. We will put a Motion forward for any funds needed on our next council meeting NOV 26

9. Other Business

MOTION: By Heather & Sofia - BUSES for trip for this year will be paid by Council

Approved MOTION: Aaron & Jessica

MOTION: By Vanessa - all the hard work that the student volunteers are doing we would like to have a pizza lunch for them to celebrate. It could encourage other students to participate. Two events are planned: Christmas and in June. Council will pay for this party.

Approved MOTION: Heather & Elise

MOTION: By Faye - the school needs more sports equipment. We the council would like to make sure there are plenty of sports equipment available to all students at recess time. Council will pay \$500 per quarter for new sports equipment.

Approved MOTION: Jessica & Blem

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MOTION: By Frances - First FUNDRAISER FOR 2025: DEC 13 Christmas Market 10am to 4pm at SJA school Gym. Vanessa to put up notice for Vendors. So far we have 5: \$30 per vendor & request for a donation for a prize. Starting NOV 17 Joyce will announce the market and request for FOOD & TOYS & BOOKS donations for the sale. Reminding kids to save their change as this is going to be a great sale to get their family a small christmas gift & get it wrapped!. Also Kids can prepare and hand their letter to Santa. Frances to drop off large tote for front door and she will empty it when told it is full. Storage in her Garage & the storage room.

Approved MOTION: Faye & Jessica

OTHER IDEAS FOR EVENTS/FUNDRAISING

SPRING DANCE- see what dates would be available at St. Pauls. Check with DJ on dates.

END OF YEAR BBQ - Joyce will update next meeting with dates for this event. We have to book the Kuwanis & the Ice Cream truck early. Also fill out the Permits.

MATIGRAS- Day before ash wednesday Food set up. Silent Auction Raffle 6 to 8pm.

MOVIE NIGHT- Crafts, sales of food, Outside movie night in May/June?

10. Meetings Next Meeting Nov 26 ---- ONLINE

MEETING ENDED 7:51pm

*Agenda considered draft until the meeting.

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