

Holy Redeemer Catholic School Council

Minutes

January 20th, 2026

Call to order – Paul Gautreau, Principal

Land acknowledgment, Allison Peterkin

As we gather this January, we acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional, unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe People. At the start of this New Year, we give thanks for their enduring stewardship of this land. Guided by our faith, may we continue to walk together in reconciliation and care for God's creation.

Prayer, Allison Peterkin

Loving Father, as we begin this new year, we gather with grateful hearts. Thank You for our school community and the families we serve. Guide us to work together with kindness, unity, and faith as we continue Your work. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Updates & Reports

a) Paul Gautreau, Principal

- We celebrated EA appreciation day. They do an exceptional job day in and day out.
- Pleasantly surprised at how quickly everything settled back into a routine after Christmas break.
- Already preparing for next year. Kinder registrations have over 40 JK students registered for next year.
- Kinder open house March 5th 3:30-5:00. Meant to be a drop-in for new parents to see the space and meet the teachers,
- Teachers ordered consumables for next year (paper, pencil, etc). We are encouraging teachers to order more notebooks as alternative to photocopies and using Chromebooks.
- Staffing change: Ms Borutski has left for St. Michael Corcuri. Temporary teachers for now and we hope to have a permanent replacement next week. Grade 4/5 split classes.
- Immunization suspensions - approx 20 students on the list for grade two students.
- Tell them about me census for students: Kindergarten to grade 3, parents complete the survey, grade 4 to 6, students complete the survey. There are info sessions, one virtual and one in person (check email for date).
- K-2 teachers just finished reading screenings.
- Language teachers did professional learning Jan 20th.
- Doing math and language screening in the school to see if the school is doing the right things to make sure the kids are learning and absorbing the content.
- Jared Cooney Horvath presents about how tech has swept into schools and homes.

b) Erin Stead, Treasurer

- \$8,409 is the current bank balance.
- We haven't paid for anything related to the BBQ yet.
- \$1,921.50 from Lunchbox in December.
- \$425 from McDonald's night.

- \$2,451.95 surplus for the year.

c) Kelly Bean, Parish Rep

- Information about Sacraments coming soon
- 8am and 7pm masses looking for altar servers

d) Jacinta Kemboi, CSPA Rep

- Meeting January 28th
- Student Census

e) Teacher Rep

- Report cards due Feb 2nd and go live the 11th.
- PD Day Jan 30th.
- Feb 6th is hundredth day of school.
- Feb 2nd marks beginning of Black History Month.
- Put a Google Sheets doc together for a Wishlist from the teachers to see if there is interest.

New business/Debriefs

a) Constitution, All

- Vote to approve:
- Add a part about fundraising in the objectives.
- Change number of days for agenda to be done before meeting.
- Add a section about subcommittee for grade 6 grad events.
- Amend items and vote to approve at the next meeting.

b) Swiss Chalet Night, Jess Hussey-Best

- Still waiting to hear from Swiss Chalet
- Explore other options for the future. Pizza night? Lorenzos, Tommy's, Willy's, JoJo's? Red Swan?
- Dairy Queen?

c) Amazon Wishlists, Allison Peterkin

- Teacher Wishlist on Google Docs
- Touch on this at the next meeting

d) Valentine's Chocolate Fundraiser, Allison Peterkin

- Tabled for now until the next meeting.
- Mr.Gautreau to look into if we can add this item or not with the board.

e) Joseph (crossing guard) family tragedy. What can we do to help?

- Allison will speak to him to see if its ok to share a bit of his story.

5. Round table, All

- Can agendas be brought back?

6. Adjournment