

## **HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

**Date and Time:** Thursday, February 6, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

**Place:** Learning Commons (Library)

**Attendees:** Leanne Stanton, Tarah Zulpo, Shannon Jenkins, Kelly Ray, Gosia Kozak, Kathy Hyland, Holly Fortier, Kelly Villeneuve

#### 1. Principal Report, Leanne Stanton

- o Thank you to Shannon for Hot Lunch onboarding
  - 1. Conversation about challenges and likely going back to SCO for next year
- o Activities have received positive feedback
- o Report Cards and IEP are coming up
- o Skating season starting soon
- o Question about Swim to Survive - Leanne to look into

#### 2. Teachers' Report, Tarah Zulpo

- o Sports and activities
  - 1. Boys badminton last week, girls this week (grades five and six)
  - 2. Scientists in the School has been wonderful - lots of great feedback from the teachers. Kids really engaged, thank you parent council
  - 3. Improv presentations went over really well, enjoyed by the kids
  - 4. Black History Month Drumming presentation - students raved about it
- o EQAO season is starting.
- o Teachers are putting in a request for literacy and manipulatives; decodable books for ideally every primary class has books to support independent reading. UFLI for example. Books set of stories per lesson. \$1200 ish per set x kinder, grade 1, 2 years and a smaller set for grades 3, 4 great for reading, vocabulary for nonfiction.
  - 1. In Junior, see what people already have, maybe surface area manipulatives (\$80 ish)
  - 2. Teacher looking for a set of headphones (noise-cancelling)
  - 3. Agreed to put to a vote tonight in Treasurer section.

#### 3. Council-Funded Activities Update, Gosia

- o Parliament March 26 (will be looking for parent volunteers)
- o Astronomy in Action February 25

- o Pow Wow Workout

#### 4. Events Update, Kelly

- o March 4: Shrove Tuesday: call out for parent volunteers to come.
  1. Holly to Shop
- o Year-end Party: Wednesday June 12 5 to 7 p.m.
  1. KR to look into if anybody has booked Aerials
  2. Bouncies and Zoo Crew booked
  3. Shannon to book face painter
  4. Gosia to email ice cream
  5. Holly to get popcorn
  6. Same one free treat ticket like last year

#### 5. Treasurer's Report, Shannon

- o Shannon presented overview of budget status
- o Tarah to remind teachers to submit their reimbursements by March 31st (\$100 each)
- o Year-End party money conversation: should we have a rain date, or plan for inside with DJ?
  1. KR to ask Shine Karaoke DJ?
  2. New Hawks gear as give-away
- o Sports in Schools or martial arts, starr gymnastics, yoga?
  1. KR to look up ideas
  2. Holly to look up one on Hobin/Main
- o VOTE PASSED: \$5000 for literacy and manipulatives Tarah to book and share updates
- o VOTE PASSED: \$1000 extra to Year-End Party
- o VOTE PASSED: two Benches for gym (\$2000)
- o Conversation about Wheelchair basketball. Organization will come (for free) for grades 5 and 6 (20+ wheelchairs)
  1. Kelly to look into ability to give financial donation as thank you

#### 6. Fundraising Report, Kelly

- o Vibe Days brought in over \$900

- o MacDonalds and Jojos coming up (Kelly and Shannon to schedule)
  - 7. Food Program Report, Kelly
    - o Returning to SCO
  - 8. CSPA Report, Holly
    - o January 29 meeting (holly to look at minutes if anything applicable here)
  - 9. Chair Report
    - o Next Meeting: Thursday, April 3
    - o Think about year-end council gratitude event
- Gosia/Kelly                      5 minutes