MINUTES

St Francis Of Assisi

Monday February 5th, 2018 @ 6:30 | Meeting called to order by Vicki Santaguida

In Attendance

Adriana Balkowski, John Del Guidice, Pat McGinness, Cheryl Nieuwendyk, Marie Paterson, Cathy Reitzel, Vicki Santaguida, Karen Truyens, Mark Witter, Kim Zangrilli

Guest Speaker

Presentation by HCCEF regarding charitable work

Approval of Minutes

N/A – Minutes were not presented for approval

Principal's Report – Mark Witter

Grade 8 Graduation Awards

- The format and type of awards being handed out going forward has changed
- The goal has been to try and offer options other than the traditional academic or athletic categories
- They have been based on Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations
- There are now 7 Male, 7 Female and 3 other awards
 - These include but are not limited to: Discerning Believer Award, Effective Communicator Award, Creative & Holistic Thinker Award, Lifelong Learner Award, Collaborative Contributor Award, Caring Family Member Award & Responsible Citizen Award
 - o There are also the Student Award of Excellence, Sharing the Spirit and Valedictorian
- St. Francis is retiring the current awards

MOTION - Council was asked for funds to purchase a new awards board \$1800.00

In answer to Mrs. Reitzel's question, it is to be placed outside the conference room opposite the grandfather teachings board

VOTE - Council agreed with a majority to fund the board

Budget

Chairs Report - Vicki Santaguida & John Del Guidice

Intramurals

- Vicki advised that parents are expressing concern about the lack of junior grade intramurals
- Mark advised once basketball season is over they will get started
- Vicki asked if Grade 5's can be included
 - o Mark confirmed this is a board decision

Community Event Suggestions

- Family Fitness night
- Some schools have combined a variety of stations Vicki
 - o Something to think about next year
 - Mrs. N suggested it could be costly
 - o Vicki will source vendors/ volunteers
 - The last time we organized such an event in combination with a family movie event, the movie was well attended but the presentations were not
- Other suggestions included Mother's Day/ Father's Day tea (don't know why this was cancelled, was
 very popular with the Kindergarten students and families), Lemonade Social, Volunteers Tea, Movie
 Night on the Field, Carnival / Spring Fling
- Mark advised we would need sub-committees to run these
- Suggested we can put it out to the parent community to get involved and help run these events
- Vicki suggested we choose 1 or 2 and see what kind of help we can get she is going to follow up with Mark
- Marie requested that we add replacing Advent Night with a Christmas "Play" or "Concert" to next years' agenda for consideration
 - Parents could purchase tickets for daytime/ evening shows

Other Business

Kindergarten Yard Naturalization

Photos and plans were presented

Lunch Box Orders

- Currently using Quesada and La Vita
- 81 orders for the first round so looks promising

Salad Cart

- Over 100 students are using the salad cart
- We need to figure out how to manage it for next year as it has become a very big undertaking
- Mr. Witter asked Mrs. McGinness to find out if the CWL would be willing to help out
- We're going to have to approach the parent community for help
- Was suggested perhaps the Knights of Columbus would help out
- Grade 8's are already helping out quite a bit but it's not enough
- Suggested possibly CTK hospitality students could be used Kim Zangrilli
- Main organizers would have to take a food prep/ handling course
- Someone from Halton Food for Thought does spot checks

Shrove Tuesday - Kim Zangrilli

- Total of 8 volunteers in place
- Considering using common areas to cook and use students as runners
- Kim plans to shop on Monday John Del Guidice will source supplies through his business including valentines themed napkins etc.

Monthly Coffee Sundays - Pat McGinness/ Mark Witter

- Mark Rowe sent out an email requesting that each school organize one month
- Ideally each school would be responsible for one month, which would translate in to One Sunday in that Monday and all three masses
- Responsibilities would include making coffee, putting out Timbits and clean up
- Council agreed to take the responsibility for one Sunday once they've decided how they want to organize it.
 - o Mr. Witter will advise Mr. Rowe

Team Uniforms - Mark Witter

- Very expensive, approximately \$2000-\$3000 as per Big Kahuna
 - School doesn't have the money, would have to come from council
- Mark / John / Marie going to shop for better pricing
- It was suggested that council has \$3000 left in the budget and this could be allocated to uniforms –
 Marie
- It was suggested that we could ask parents to purchase their child's uniform Karen/Kim

Spirit Wear

- We need to figure out how we would run this and arrange for kids to try sizes
- We could possibly add a sample day onto a community event
- Would need council volunteers to help with sizing, possibly during Catholic Education Week (First week of May)
- Hat/ Hoodies/ T-shirts can ask for a variety
- Mark & John to meet with JV Clothing and see if we can do both Team and Spirit Wear, possibly at a
 discount
- Marie to check with a supplier she knows

Math Night Games/ Take Home Math Kits

- Parents Reaching Out Grant was for \$1000.00, total cost of kits was \$1500.00
- Math kids should arrive in the next 7-10 days and come pre-assembled
- Thomas Murton adult learning school has funding available for a learning night
 - o Approximately \$2.00 per person for hospitality
 - We can get coffee donated from McDonald's
 - We could possibly get a gift certificate from The Super Store
 - o Guestimate would be approximate 50-60 students/ families would attend
- Want to organize a math night targeting K- Grade 4 families
- Perhaps include it with Catholic Education Week
- Would need council members to support the stations

Curriculum Night

• Scheduled for September 19, 2018

Announcements

N/A

Next Meeting

Monday April 9, 2018 6:30

Meeting Adjourned at

**These minutes represent discussion took place until Marie Paterson had to leave at 8:30 p.m.