

December 3rd Council Meeting. St. Vincent Elementary Catholic School

In Attendance: Ms. Uniacke, Mrs. V, Mrs. Glinski, Regina Dykman, Dianne Caldarelli, Sonia Guglietti, Siobhan Kukolic, Melissa Grech

Regrets: Muriam De Angelis, Marilyn Duarte, Carolyn Holmes, Tracey Martino, Tracy Sonneman, Jasmin Von Horsten, Michelle Kent

Minutes Recommended for Approval by Siobhan Kukolic. Seconded by Dianne Caldarelli

Revisions on Minutes: Corrections to be made on name misspellings in meeting minutes. Also addressed fundraising definition to be read in reports as "funds raised".

Principal's Report:

Catholicity:

1. Stained glass windows have been installed inside library and cafetorium
2. Family mass was held at St. Andrews on November 18th
3. Remembrance Day Liturgy was held on November 9th
4. Advent Liturgies are being held each month
5. School Advent Mass to be held December 14th at 10:30 with Father Con

Curriculum:

1. Thinking and application activities taking place in classrooms from in-servicing.
2. STA guidance counselors visited November 6
3. BRAVO program was completed with Grade 6 and 7 and will have certificates distributed
4. SIPSA meeting

Home School Connection:

1. Weekly updates on Twitter have been well received and helpful
2. Christmas Concert will be held on December 13th with Father Con, the Director and 2 School Superintendents to be present.
3. Keeping Christ in Christmas was due Dec 2
4. Progress reports and Parent Teacher Conferences were held last week
5. Confirmation and First Communion meetings were held at St. Andrews on Nov 14 and 21 respectively.
6. Joy Day will be held the same day as Christmas Shop December 18th.
7. Red and Green day will be held on December 21st

Community Building:

1. Girls Volleyball team won Halton Silver
2. Bishops Dinner was November 7th
3. Backpack Filling for charity going well
4. Aussie X is offering the dance program for 3 days in April and the sports for 3 days in June

Financial

1. Ms. Uniacke met with financial committee to approve annual SGF plan and was signed off
2. Lego wall is being finished
3. Funds have been used to purchase music board for Mr. Miguel, CGE stained glass windows, library mural and 20 chrome books.
4. Looking into bathroom walls to display positive messages.
5. Inquiries have been made on buddy bench and altar
6. Poinsettias drive raised \$651.35 to Kerr Street

Safety and Facility

1. Bully Prevention Week was November 19-22.
2. Safe Schools meeting was held on November 23rd

Council Chair Report

1. Father Con is to meet with Tracey and Regina
2. Raised issue on council documents about protocol in how to raise up and bring to the table new ideas.
3. Approval of By-Laws. Approved by Siobhan and seconded by Melissa.

Staff - Mrs. Glinski (nil)

Treasury – was not discussed

Parish News – Family Mass held on November 18th went well. Kids were invited to come up and participate at the front of the altar.

Volunteer Committee

1. Wreath/Poinsettia drive went well
2. Christmas Shop forms have gone home and are awaiting returns.
3. There is a need for volunteers for the Christmas shop especially for the take down at the end of the day.
4. Bows, bags, ribbons are in need. Siobhan has reached out to Whole Foods (there is a paper shortage) and Pusateri's with no luck.
5. Also discussed a need to establish an order in which classrooms are visiting the Christmas Shop first

Communications – Nil

New Business

1. Discussed and agreed to table the Quesada healthy lunch program until September of next year.
2. Discussed and agreed to holding Spirit Month which was an idea brought up to council members by a few parents
3. Council agreed to have a Wacky Wednesday theme to be held each Wednesday in February.

The themes are:

1. Crazy hat, sock and tie day
2. Crazy hair day
3. Backwards day (where clothing can be worn backwards)
4. Civvies/ Twin day (where students can dress alike)

Closing Prayer – Dianne

Meeting Adjourned – 8:05