

OLMC Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 19, 2020 6:30 p.m.
Zoom Virtual

Present: Lauren Beaudoin, Phil Daly, Luba Dobrianskyj, Verina Farrell, Judeen Ferguson, John Lezon, Natalie Nunn, Janine Owen, Heather Quesnel, Laura Roberti, Anne Simpson, Amanda Tachauer, Amanda Vicinanza, Angela Wintar

- Welcome: Heather Quesnel
 - Opening Prayer: Heather Quesnel
 - Approval of the October Minutes
 - Motion to approve by John Lezon; Seconded by Laura Roberti
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- Report from the Principal
 - Sacrament of Confirmation to be celebrated in February 2020
 - “Creative” Christmas efforts underway within the school; Student Council and staff are coming up with ideas to celebrate the seasons and to embrace a different type of Joy Day this year
 - There will be three Christmas ‘accessory’ days – Christmas sock day; Christmas sweater day; red, white and green day
 - Parent Council will prepare to supply “Joy Jars” should there be any number required
 - Snowshoes have been purchased for use by students during the winter months
 - The response to the Christmas hampers has been amazing – thank you to all families for their generosity
 - Gift card fundraiser continues; watch and wait approach to see how purchase volumes are in the New Year
 - Reminder to be sent that Christmastime gifts cannot be sent to the school this year for staff due to health regulations
 - Rural & Northern Education Fund (\$5,750) grant received this year
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- Treasurer’s Report (Judeen Ferguson/Heather Quesnel)
 - \$3,500 from last year (Art Experience) rolls over
 - No funds incoming; no further report
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- Fundraising Committee Update (Natalie Nunn)
 - Committee met to discuss possible ideas for the year: donations and sponsorships from the community; online raffles; MacMillans or other food vendors; Vesey’s Bulbs; a dance-a-thon or virtual walk/run
 - More advanced concepts to be presented at the next meeting
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- Hot Lunch Committee (Heather Quesnel)
 - Waiting for direction from the Ministry before moving ahead, but brainstormed what could be possible so we’re ready at go-time (ie, wrapped items such as subs, pita)
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- Report of the Chair (Heather Quesnel)
 - Attended the Catholic School Council orientation meeting
 - Don’t go back, move forward was key take-away message

- Application will be submitted for a *Parent's Reaching Out Grant* – \$1,000 to provide a safe and welcoming school environment for parents
- Deadline is November 30th
- Could be put toward facilitators or speakers – ideas welcome

- Meeting Adjourned
- Next meeting: January 27, 2021