St. Francis Xavier School Parent Council Meeting October 15, 2019

In Attendance: Nick Gale, Grayson Smith, Nicole Schauerte, Laura Bohrn, Chelsey Lybbert, Jason Kerr, Paul Taylor, Kristin Liefso

- **1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer:** Chelsey called the meeting to order and Nick lead opening prayer.
- **2. Approval of the Minutes:** Nicole approved the September 17, 2019 minutes.

3. Principal's Report (Nick Gale)

- A) All the painting of the classrooms is finished, painting will continue in the hallways. Also, games have been painted on the tarmac outside for the students to use.
- B) The Nutrition Lunch Program has been approved and will start up hopefully sometime in November. More information will be sent out to parents once everything has been confirmed. Parent Council will still be able to continue on with Hot Lunch Fundraising. Nick would like a schedule of these dates, as on these days students will be given breakfast instead of lunch.
- C) School Bell- There will now be a bell rung at 3:15pm. This is to allow students to move back into their homerooms for the end of the day. Dismissal has been adjusted. New dismissal time is now at 3:20pm.
 - D) Student Council Elections were held last week.
- E) Dwayne Zarichny, the superintendent for the Catholic School Board, would like to meet all parent council groups. Parent Council can send an invitation for him to join any of our meetings.
- F) "GRACE" will be having a meeting Thursday, October 17 at 7pm at the Board office for anyone would like to attend.

4. Teacher's Report

No teacher report given today.

5. Chair's Report (Chelsey Lybbert)

Thank you to members who organized and assisted with the Hot Lunch Days and the Deerview Meat Fundraiser.

6. Treasurer's Report (Nicole Schauerte)

Budget and deposits were reviewed. Deerview Meat/Cheque Writing Fundraiser has brought in \$2334.40. There will still be a cheque made to Parent Council for the Mabel Labels and Papa John fundraiser. Expenses paid out this past month were for the Yearend DVD and World Teacher Day.

7. Classroom Rep Update

Grayson touched base with Miss. Werre for the Grade 4/5 update. Students are currently working on Compost Education. Each student will be bringing home soil that they have composted at the end of the year. Academy students have started soccer and will be going to Paradise Valley next week for golf. Hit403 will start in November and sledge hockey will hopefully start before Christmas. Nick also stated McCoy has been great in accommodating our academy students in using their gym when we had our snowstorm.

8. Topics for Discussion

A) Poinsettia Fundraiser

Information will be given to students soon. Order forms will be sent home Tuesday, October 29 with a November 15 deadline. Estimated delivery will be Tuesday, December 4.

B) Christmas Market

Chelsey has talked to Mr. Block about setting up Christmas Market. Tentative date will be Wednesday, December 11, 2019. Chelsey has also touched base with Natasha Taylor at McCoy High School to have some students come over and help with the market as well. Information will be sent out to parents in the next few weeks looking for donations and for parent volunteers to help out this day.

C) Christmas Dinner

Stephanie Cram and Nichole Cunningham will be planning the Christmas dinner this year. The date for the Christmas Dinner will be Friday, December 13. A letter will be sent home to parents in November with information regarding this event.

D) Parent Association Meeting

Parent Association meeting was held on September 30. Chelsey Lybbert was elected chair for this upcoming year. Ideally, two representatives are needed to attend these meetings. If any parents are interested in attending these meetings, they are very informative and the next meeting is scheduled for Oct 28 @ 7pm at the board office.

Wanda Simmons is in charge International Education. She is looking for host families in Medicine Hat that would be interested in hosting an international student. Each host would receive \$750.00/month for hosting. These parents would require a criminal record and child welfare check. If any families are interested in this opportunity they can contact Wanda.

The board is working on the Annual Education Plan. This will be available at the end of November.

- 9. Date for Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 26 @ 8pm
- **10. Motion to Adjourn:** Nicole motioned to adjourn the meeting.