

**St. Francis Xavier School  
Parent Council Meeting  
March 2, 2021**

**In Attendance:** Nicole Schauerte, Laura Bohrn, Lauren Smith, Rhonda Gregus, Jaimie Van Ham, Chelsey Lybbert, Dwayne Zarichny

**1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer:** Lauren called the meeting to order and Jaimie lead opening prayer.

**2. Approval of the January 2021 Minutes:** Nicole approved the January minutes.

**3. Principal's Report (Jaimie Van Ham)**

A) Thank you to Nichole for organizing the Valentine's Day raffle. Kids were excited and brought some normalcy for the students. They loved the announcement of the winners over the intercom and brought the school community together.

B) Chrome tablets are ordered but haven't arrived yet.

C) Academy Equipment is ordered for the program- thank you to parent council for funding this.

D) Medalta Virtual Classroom – teachers are starting to book these dates for their classrooms. Thank you to parent council for funding this learning experience for the students.

E) Updating minutes on the website from parent council meetings. Minutes are now updated on the school website and we can link them onto Facebook for easy access for parents. The school is also trying to use social media platforms such as Facebook and Instagram to get information out to the parents.

F) Academy- Currently, academy is looking into booking more explore days in the future, examples of this include sledge hockey and wheelchair basketball along with rock climbing. The school signed a contract with the Downtown YMCA to participate in some exploration days.

G) Yearbook Cover Contest- students voted today, 6 entries were submitted for this years contest.

H) Great news learnt today- our school will be receiving a brand new chrome book cart- 30 more chrome books and new cart will be given to the school. This will be very beneficial for all students.

I) Registration for 2021/2022 school year- 90 completed registrations have been submitted: 83 re-enrollments and 7 new enrollments. There are currently 24 incomplete enrollments; families will be contacted within the next week to touch base with them.

J) Next meeting Jaimie will discuss the parent and student surveys that were completed.

#### **4. Teacher's Report (Rhonda Gregus)**

Thank you to parent council for the Valentine's Day raffle, Hot Lunch and Booster Juice.

#### **5. Chair's Report (Lauren Smith)**

A wonderful donation was given to the Fellowship Fund of \$1000.00. Thank you to the Smith Family for this donation.

#### **6. Treasurer's Report (Nicole Schauerte)**

Budget and deposits were reviewed. Following details are the amounts the recent fundraising have made for the school

- January Boston Pizza Hot Lunch- \$137.40
- January Booster Juice- \$59.77
- February McDonalds Hot Lunch- \$107.61
- February Booster Juice- \$67.31
- Valentine's Day Raffle- \$1295.00- 259 tickets were sold
- Smith Family Donation- \$1000.00

The following are expenses to be paid:

- Light boxes for Kindergarten classroom- approximately \$440.00
- Academy Equipment and Explore Days- approximately \$1682.00
- Chrome Tablets- \$2750.00
- Medalta Virtual Classroom- approximately \$500.00
- Yearbook Award Prizes- \$100.00

#### **7. Topics for Discussion**

##### **A) Questions for Superintendent- Mr. Dwayne Zarichny**

Parent Council was able to ask Dwayne any questions that we have. Discussion was brought up about up about Academy fees and split grade classrooms.

##### **B) 2021-2022 Calendar**

Jaimie went over the proposed 2021/2022 calendar year. She is looking for any feedback to bring back to the board in regards to this proposal.

##### **C) Yearbook-**

Students voted today on the yearbook today. Winner will be announced soon.

#### **D) Valentine's Raffle**

Valentine's Day raffle was a success. Thank you to all the families that donated and for everyone who purchased tickets.

#### **E) Fundraising- Big Box of Cards**

Big Box of Cards campaign started March 1. Orders are to be returned to the school on March 15. Once orders are placed Nicole is hoping delivery will be either March 25/26 pick up or the following week at Nicole's house. More information will be sent out in the upcoming weeks.

#### **F) Spelling Bee**

Upcoming spelling bee will be in April. Exact date will be decided in the coming weeks. Jaimie will talk with Kelli and teachers on what will work best for students and teachers.

#### **G) Parent's Association Meeting Update**

The last meeting was on January 25. Dwayne updated the association on covid restrictions with sports in school settings, online registration, and virtual school tour.

Parent teacher interviews have increased with parent involvement with the online process and over the phone.

Parent Council conference will be virtual this year. This is open to anyone who would like to attend.

At the meeting different fundraisers that other schools in the catholic division are partaking in was discussed.

The next meeting will take place March 29, 2021 @ 7pm

**9. Date for Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 20, 2021 @ 8pm

**10. Motion to Adjourn:** Nicole motioned to adjourn the meeting.