

**St. Francis Xavier School
Parent Council Meeting
April 20, 2021**

In Attendance: Nicole Schauerte, Laura Bohrn, Lauren Smith, Rhonda Gregus, Jaimie Van Ham, Chelsey Lybbert, Ashley Holden, Rebecca Jackiw, Donna Mae Melle

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

2. Approval of the March 2021 Minutes: Nicole approved the March minutes.

3. Principal's Report (Jaimie Van Ham)

A) Updated enrollment for the 2021/2022 School Year- Currently there are 102 students registered for K-6. There is an additional 12 students enrolled in ELP, which is an increase of 13 new registrations. There are a few existing students still left to register. Academy program currently has 31 students enrolled.

B) Thank you to parent council for all the funding and approval of equipment. The purchase of playground equipment, projector, web cameras etc. have been very appreciated by teachers and students.

C) Spelling Bee- Word lists will be handed out tomorrow as well as the pledge forms. Jaimie will be looking into live streaming or setting up a Google meet so that all classrooms can watch.

D) Policy Update- Changes have been made to school policies and will be updated in the student handbook for the 2021/2022 school year. Specific policies in regards to discipline as well as academy will be updated. Staff will be reviewing these changes in the upcoming PD day.

E) Mr. Franco will be assisting the Academy program in June with the soccer unit.

4. Teacher's Report (Rhonda Gregus)

Thank you for the \$100 for each teacher for classroom supplies.

5. Chair's Report (Lauren Smith)

Nothing to report today

6. Treasurer's Report (Nicole Schauerte)

Budget was reviewed and upcoming expenses explained. Dairy Queen hot lunch brought in \$132.83. Booster Juice raised \$63.45. Big Box of Card fundraiser was a huge success. Students sold 413 boxes and raised \$4821.62. Thank you to everyone who purchased these cards. Expenses in the last month included the in-class Medalta experience as well as skipping ropes. Upcoming expenses include web cameras, portion of projector, noise-cancelling headphones, and classroom playground equipment.

7. Topics for Discussion

A) Fun Day

We can start to brainstorm some things for year-end Fun day. As long as we keep students in their cohorts and outside, depending on restrictions we may be able to plan and carry out some form of activities. School board is discussing this as more schools are inquiring, in the next couple weeks more information will follow. We will look into having Kona Ice come in to give students a treat.

B) Spelling Bee- This will be the last fundraiser of the year. Pledge forms are due May 6. Spelling Bee for Grades 1-3 will be on May 6, and then for grade 4-6 classes will take place on May 7.

Every student will receive a dilly bar. The top speller of each grade will receive a \$15 indigo gift card. For the classroom that raises the most money, they will be rewarded with a dodge-ball game against the teachers. Each student that has a minimum pledge of \$20 will have their name placed in a draw to win a Dairy Queen lunch and to be the principal or secretary for the day.

C) Parent Association Meeting on March 29

Dwayne went over registrations for the 2021/2022 year. He encourages parents to register their students as soon as possible so that the schools can work on class configurations and staffing. The 2021/2022 calendar was approved and the board will be making magnets again.

The school board is also trying to use social media platforms more to get information out to more families.

At the time of the meeting the Education minister had released the draft for the new curriculum. If there is any feedback it is encouraged to take the online survey. Last PD day, staff participated in a service project, was very well received and enjoyed.

Discussions were held about what other schools in the community are doing for fundraising and projects. The next meeting will take place April 26 @ 7pm.

D) Gaga Ball

Parent Council is looking into purchasing a Gaga Ball unit for the Grade 4-6 side. Nichole has been getting estimates and has had meetings with Jaimie and the maintenance staff at the school board. Parent council will continue to look into this option and hopefully get this piece of equipment ordered in the future.

9. Date for Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 18 2021 @ 8pm

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