

**ATTENDEES:**

Stephanie Medina (MM), Anabel Villers (AV), Karen Kovacs (KK), Catherine Mar (CM), Jacquie Wallace (JW), Geri Moroney (GM), Patricia Valenti (PM), Marion de los Reyes (MR), Julie Sadhu (JS), Claudia Ali (CA), Adrianna Medyk (AM), Simon Salameh (SS),

CC: Carmela Dri (CD), Mary Colasanti (MC), Gemma Coppolella (GC), Susana Pulla (SP),

MINUTES OF MEETING

LOCATION: St Veronica School SUBJECT: School Council Meeting

Date : November 4, 2019

DESCRIPTION**Notes****Routine Matters**

1. Call to Order (Chair)
2. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory
3. Opening Prayer
4. Welcome and introductions
5. Review and approval of last meeting's minutes

Reports

- a. Manesh presentation from World's Finest Chocolates
 - order form campaign is popular i.e. Dominos order form where we make \$8 profit per order of a \$25 card purchase and it comes with Laser Quest prizes – Run it for 2 weeks Approx \$2k raised for a school this size
 - Cookie dough. \$16 per tub and we make \$5 per tub.
 - Popcorn bags. Farm to table in Cambridge. Buy 10 bags for \$20 and keep \$10 for profit. 23gram bags – Roughly raise \$2k for a school this size
 - Laura Secord Chocolates 25 in a case and you keep \$60 per case
 - Consensus is to do FundScript for November/December and then Laura Secord for February/March
- b. Chair Update (Anabel Villers)
 - Voluntary donation:
 - (AV) Attended CCCCS meeting. Grants are still not confirmed, but still a possibility of getting both this year.
 - Halloween Dance: event was successful and the DJ was great
- c. Financial Update (Stephanie Medina)
 - Many commitments, but the voluntary fundraiser has not yet raised enough to cover
 - December 18th is the Christmas Concert and we will run the front of the house for ShareLife
 - Bowling for parent engagement: 3 hours = \$800 and 4 hours = \$900
 - December 9th we will can discuss the wish list items
- d. Principal's Report (Karen Kovacs)
 - School Uniform: 75% of the school community must say yes. non responders are considered a no vote. Grade 8 students are excluded as they will not be attending the school the next year.



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- Are you interested in a crested uniform Yes or No and a non-binding disclaimer at the end of the survey
 - (JW) to create the survey on Google Drive
 - Financials are now to be posted monthly on the school website. The school Principal sends out a broad picture of what the school fundraisers have raised as well as the Parent Council fundraising dollar amounts. The purpose is to create better transparency
 - The reports can be flawed because there is a delay in time as to the allocation of the funds
 - i.e. you will see all the money raised for Pizza for the past 3 mos, but you don't see the money deducted for the payment of the pizza
 - Posting the board school plans, whereas there used to be 7 pillars, but now the focus is on sustainability. The new 5 values are Believe, Excel, Respect, Thrive and Trust. The 5 year plan is based around the 5 new values
 - Teachers union vote is November 12th
 - Cell phones and electronics are only for school purposes
 - Miss Medyk: YFA report
 - Dr Simone drive running right now for the hard candy; Bahamas fundraiser (overwhelming response); Used Halloween costume fundraiser; ShareLife for Spirit week was extremely successful as they sold out of merchandise; Thanksgiving Food Drive was extremely successful and it went to the St Vincent of Paul society; Christmas fundraiser ideas are going around to try something new
 - Remembrance Day Assembly will be held at 10am and poppies will be sold
- e. Athletics Report (Geri Moroney)
- Volleyball Jr girls won the families tournament and went to the board. They won medals and a banner for the school
 - Jr boys went to the PODs, but didn't make it past there
 - Intermediate is starting up next
 - Grade 4 / 5 boys track and field won a banner for the school
 - **Roundtable (ALL)**
 - Newsletter has gone out again with the Voluntary reminder, but (KK) will send out another reminder with a notice that they can also send in cash and cheque and receive a tax receipt
 - Council Survey reviewed and approved

B. Closing remarks

- Next Meeting: Monday December 9th at 6:30 pm