

MEETING MINUTES

Holy Spirit School Council

Date | time February 12, 2025 | 6:35 pm | Holy Spirit Catholic School
Meeting called to order by Jenelle Potyondi

In Attendance

Jenelle Potyondi, Jason Dulec, Jennifer Miko, Megan Zdebiak, Zann Zedbiak, Jennifer Letawsky, Jennifer Miko, Angela Ruiz, Sara Lysak, Adam Lysak, Angela Prette, Jill Quinlon, and Carrie Belisle.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Agenda 1st Jason, 2nd Adam

Approve previous Meeting Minutes 1st, Jason, 2nd Adam

School Trustee Report

- No trustee report.

Teacher's Presentation

- Fruit of the Spirit Awards
- Global Play Day was a huge hit and allowed a lot of school interaction.
- Grade 4's help with supervision of the Kindergarten and Grade 1 classes at lunch time.
- OLPH presented school and program options to the Grade 4's in preparation for next year.
- Swimming lessons are still ongoing.
- Summerwood Senior Home is still being visited by the Linking Generations (Grade 2-4)
- Jill provided a handout regarding the Alberta Teacher's Association contract negotiation.
 - Negotiations have gone to mediation, there are 2 more days in March. Try.
 - Main topic points are wage increases for teachers, smaller class sizes and more support is needed in the classroom due to the added pressures of education adaptations.
 - Alberta has designated the lowest amount of money to our students in the country
 - The mediator can create an offer during negotiations, then both parties have 14 days to decide if they will accept. If it is not accepted it could lead to a strike.
 - Projection of a strike is April or May.
 - EA's may strike as well. Four boards are already on strike.
 - Teachers are encouraging families to reach out to both the government leadership and the opposition in stating support for teachers.

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Administration Report

- Home Alone courses will be scheduled for May or June, being offered to the Grade 4 students. Strathcona County does offer monthly courses that parents can sign up for.

- School Fee's may increase for next year, likely in regards to bussing, this depends school by school.
- Magician is coming February. See Special email vote made for the magician.
- The school has decided to forgo the Winter Carnival in favor of a June Fun Day. Kona Ice has been contacted for a quote to provide a snow cones to the school. Initial quote is \$900. (20 students and 36 staff members). They can serve 20 kids per 10 minutes.
- Open House is going to be in April, but the date is to be determined. School Council will have a table again. Jason will get a School Council banner.

Treasurer Report

- See attached Financial documents.
- We have collected \$1,337 and have a deficit of \$1,636.
- So far the School Dance has collected \$35.
- Report to be modified by Adam for next meeting detailing more specifics on budget.

New Business

- Amy Hunter will be the new Hot Lunch Computer Coordinator for 2025/2026.
- The Vice Chair and Secretary role is still vacant for next year.
- CEPAC (Catholic Education Parent Advisory Council) Meeting: Discussed teacher negotiations, the school calendar, power school leak.
- GRACE (Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education) is now a parent run group. They will be looking for a monthly member to join their meetings.
- 2025/2026 Elk Island Catholic School Calendar will be approved for 1 year.
 - Early out 1 hour every Wednesday.
 - Changes include 1 less PD day.
 - School hours are currently 8:40 am to 3:00 pm. Hours will be confirmed by Division next.
 - EICS shares busing with EIPS. If we need to bus separately it costs \$25,000/ day.

Previous Business

- Saffron Centre is booked for February 25th at 6:30 pm. This is for parents only. Sign up will be through Class Dojo.

Action Items

- Jason– School Council banner.
- Carrie and Jill – To get resources for parents to email the government, such as templated letters.
- Angela P or Jason – Create a Class Dojo sign up for Saffron Presentation.
- Angela R- Connect with Amy Hunter on transition of roles.
- Jennifer – Send request to Card Box for upcoming fundraiser.
- Adam – Missing SGF account on financials

Upcoming Dates

- February 19th (1:00 pm)- ECIS Board of Trustee Public Meeting
- February 25th – Saffron Centre Presentation
- February 28th – Winter Dance

- March 4th - Shrove Tuesday

Next Meetings

No March meeting. Next meetings April 23rd , May 14th and June 11th

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:47 pm

- Approval 1st Jenelle, 2nd Jason

MEETING MINUTES

Holy Spirit Parent Council Society

Date | time February 12, 2025 | 7:49 pm | Holy Spirit Catholic School

Meeting called to order by Jenelle Potyondi

In Attendance

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Approval of Minutes

Approval of Agenda 1st Jason, 2nd Jen

Approve previous Meeting Minutes 1st, Jen, 2nd Adam

Financial Report

- See attached financial report

New Business

- Insurance is required for the Parent Society as requested by the division.
 - The cost will be pro-rated from February 1- October 1. The cost is \$371.02 so approximately \$500 for Commercial General Liability Insurance.
 - Vote to approve: 1st Angela P, 2nd Jen L
- Concerns with Hot Lunch communication. Vendors not being forthright in costs and issues upon delivery were discussed. Notes to be saved regarding these vendors. Student also did not receive a lunch however, coordinators were not alerted until the evening that day so issue could not be resolved. A credit was issued to the family for the lunch.

Previous Business

- Card Box fundraiser to go ahead. School Council needs to purchase bags for students. Jen L and Sara to coordinate. April 11th – 28th.
- Spring Plant Fundraiser: Katie is running the back end. Volunteers will be needed.
- Family School Dance on February 28th: Beach theme with limbo contest and best themed outfit.
- Shrove Tuesday, March 4th.
 - Vote to approve griddles purchase, cost \$300. 1st Jen M, 2nd Jason. Final cost \$337.32 approved by email by Jason, Adam and Angela.
- Paraprofessional Appreciation Day April 3rd.
 - Vote to approve \$200. 1st Angela R, 2nd Angela P

Special Email Vote

- Magic show was approved over email by Jenelle, Jason, Adam, and Angela. There will be 4 shows put on. The cost was \$1,890.

Action Items

- Jenelle- Purchase griddles for Shrove Tuesday.
- Jen L- Purchase bags for Card Box Fundraiser.
- Adam- Adjust balance sheet to incorporate the budget.
- Jason – Email Carrie & Aoife Science Olympics information

Upcoming Dates

- February 28th – Winter Dance
- March 4th - Shrove Tuesday
- March 31st- Card Box Fundraiser

Next Meetings

No March meeting. Next meetings April 23rd , May 14th and June 11th

Motion to adjourn meeting was made at 8:29 pm 1st Adam, 2nd Jason