

# École St. Mary

## Catholic School Community Council

140 McIntosh Street North, Regina, SK., S4R 4Z9



### Monthly Meeting Minutes

Where: in person at school and online

When: January 13, 2026 6:30 pm

**Attendees: In Person:** Krystal A., Paulette Belisle, Chris Busby, Jen Demchuk, Mme. Dietrich, Jessie Ell-Schwartz, Jodi Harvey-Raymond, Jon Hayward, Laura Laird, Titalayo Omolola. Kathe Scrobe, Nathaniel Yule

**Online:** Michelle Owolagba, Salina Stilborn

6:42 pm call to order

**Review and approval of last minutes** - No further notes

**Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes by Jen, seconded by Titalayo, motion passed**

### Chair report:

-Kathe confirmed that no business (the group did not have quorum) was discussed at the December get together

-no items beyond that

### Vice Chair Report:

-No

### Secretary Report:

-No updates

### Treasurer Report:

*As of Jan 8, 2026:*

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| <b>Cash on Hand:</b>               | \$6619.51  |
| <b>Total Revenue:</b>              | \$1578.17  |
| <b>Total Expenses:</b>             | \$4770.90  |
| <b>Current Financial Position:</b> | \$3,426.78 |

Kathe: -money attributed as revenue for student conferences was corrected to show as revenue from book sale

**Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Kathe, seconded by Jon, motion passed**

### Administrative Report: (Paulette):

Paulette: -Welcomes everyone to the Learning Centre, used by about 40 students in the school

-beyond Mme. Dietrich there is an IA that assists here

-the school has had many opportunities to show it off to visiting government officials

Mme. Dietrich: (provides descriptions of the lesson structure in the Learning Centre, and how the LC is used as a quiet, supportive place to do work)

Paulette: -children seem to be well-rested and happy returning from vacation

-progress reports go out electronically via Edsby at the end of January

-the improv season is about to start, students are welcome to just come to practice if they are comfortable with the sessions

-English Battle of the Books has begun

-D&D club continues

-Matilda Jr. was the selected musical, full cast rehearsals took place this week

-will the CSCC assist with the concession for the show?

**"Jesus is Our Hope"**



Kathe: Yes, we will figure out the details offline

Chris: -Basketball is getting started, 3 teams in total (both 5-on-5 and 3-on-3, the latter non-competitive)

## Old Business

### **Buses**

Chris: -Advised that all complaints should be directed to FirstBus or RCSD Transportation via the usual email addresses

Jen: -always best to get the concerns of parents in writing to the school division and FirstBus

### **Hot Lunches (Jen)**

-Upcoming lunches: Jan 29, Feb 27, Mar 25 (Jen is away on Mar 25 and as such will need assistance on that date)

Jen: DQ in January, sign-ups a little slow but that's typical for January

-Prices are always rising, but gluten-free buns especially so, had to increase the price for gluten-free to cover the costs

-March, the month Jen needs coverage, will be pizza, which is generally easier to manage

### **Winter Carnival**

**Kathe:** Overall a great success

-Sleigh scheduling was a hassle, thinks just queuing up will be a simpler options for future years

Laura: -Hot chocolate and cookies went well, only one comment about it not being free

Mr Yule: -Craft table ran smoothly

### **Advent Cookies**

(Comments from group about the quality being very good)

Laura: -One worry about an older class list so one student received a package for cookies he was allergic too, that was corrected and he received the allergy-safe ones instead before any incidents

-a class change was made and not noted, causing this error. The allergy list will be checked to ensure students are listed in the correct classrooms to avoid this.

-another minor incident where a group of students (possibly) accidentally toppled a table over

Jodi: -Really appreciated that the gluten-free kids felt included in the event

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Kathe: - Hospitality went smoothly

-Used book sale was well received

Laura: -Should we offer the remainder of books from the sale for free for Movie Night?

Paulette: -That would be okay.

Krystal: -Will speak to Tonya about the remaining books, she had an idea to try and sell them for the CSCC

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### **Fundraising Updates**

Kathe: -No active events

-Book sale was lucrative

-A few issues with poinsetta quality, but nothing show stopping

-Might consider Perdy's chocolates for Easter and then DQ cakes for sometime after?

Jen: -Recommends not running overlapping fundraisers

Jessie: -Consider Mother's Day for DQ cakes

Kathe: -Will arrange the Perdy's fundraiser for Easter

### **Shrove Tuesday**

Jessie: -Knights of Columbus are donating the necessary pancake batter, and will again provide cooking equipment and assistance

-CSCC provides the fruit, syrup, and gluten-free mix

Kathe: -We should explore if there are any opportunities to ask the KoC for assistance in events

Paulette: -Work on the schedule has begun

### **Jan 16 Movie Night**

-*Elio* and *Freakier Friday* selected as the movies

Krystal: -Will see if she can rustle up some older student volunteers

Jessie: -Only 3 student volunteers are really needed

Paulette: -Reminder that parents need to approve their children volunteering for these activities

Krystal: -For the next dance, a lot of kids have expressed interest in volunteering, so trying to get ahead in terms of managing parental approval would be ideal

Jodi: -Has noticed this year it seems to be a bit more of a disengaged group for these kinds of activities

Salina: -Will help out for at least a portion of the night as her schedule allows

Jessie: -Will check what we have on hand for candy bags ahead of the event

### **Teacher Appreciation Week**

Kathe: -Should we discuss this offline away from the school staff for a surprise? (Group opted not to)

Paulette: -Official week is the week prior to Valentine's Day

### **Upcoming Dances**

Paulette: -With the separate younger and older student dances, there has been conflicts with parents over wanting to bring in outside guests

-Admin is required to be on premises for the entire dance

-Proposed an afternoon dance (at St. Mary) for the 7/8s with St Angela (other students they will likely be going to high school with), and potentially have O'Neill students come help with sno-cones and popcorns for that dance

-Younger students dance would still occur at night as before, older students could still attend that one as well

Krystal: -Should we ask the kids what they think of that idea?

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Jen: -Possibly think about some “quieter” activities like board games for those who come but may not necessarily want to dance

Salina: -Previous years a CSCC parent would be present with a list and would check against it, then provide a wristband for attendees

Paulette: -Can be discussed more in the future

-Will the CSCC be able to pay for the DJ? (Yes), we might also consider reaching out to St. Angela

Salina: -Sounds like we have broad support, and should proceed discussing it offline

## **Student Reps in CSCC**

Salina: -Should we also consider student reps for the CSCC (not just for the dance, but in general), the constitution allows for it

Paulette: -Has considered it, still trying to figure out a way to canvas for interest

Jessie: -It might be worth letting them know in advance the topics we'd be asking them for their opinions on

Krystal: -Might miss out on volunteers due to their inability to make specific CSCC meetings

Paulette: -Try to target the April meeting as the first with Grade 7 or 8 representatives

Jessie: -Ideally the student attending comes with ideas gathered from many other students

## **Roundtable**

-No further discussion

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM**

**“Jesus is Our Hope”**