

St. Patrick Fine Arts School Council

April 10, 2024, 6:30 pm

Attendance: Becca Innes, Kathy Jones-Husch, Valerie Archibald, Samantha Wilk,
Catherine Furukawa, Loan Cao-Dutch, Carmen Mombourquette

Online: Patty Wright, Tracy Bozzi, Lisa Boylan

- 1) Call to Order: meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.
- 2) Opening Prayer lead by Catherine Furukawa
- 3) Introductions
- 4) Approval of Agenda: Approval of the agenda by Valerie Archibald, seconded by Becca Innes. Carried.
- 5) Reading and Approval of Minutes of March 6, 2024: Approval of the amended minutes from March minutes by Becca Innes, seconded by Samantha Wilk. Carried.
- 6) Board Report - Carmen Mombourquette spoke about the updated role of the Trustee
- 7) Business from the Minutes
 - a) Grant ideas - School Council Engagement Grant - May 9th is secured with Michelle at University of Lethbridge, to do a Family Math night again. Will look at door prizes or take home gifts for all registered participants. **Kathy will get information out to our school.**
 - b) Quotes and information on signage - **Kathy will check on what the school maintenance suggests and get the information to Becca.**
 - c) Mats for the Gym - **Kathy will check with the National Suppliers on costs etc. Becca will send all the information that she has regarding the mats**
- 8) New Business - Motion by Valerie that the social and the wellness committees be combined into one committee for the 2024-2025 school year, with the name to be decided on in June. Seconded by Becca Innes. Carried

Checking on what the budget would include for the Hot Lunch vs Social Committee for the Sports Day and the Year End Social Picnic. New allocations to be looked at, at the next school year budget meeting
- 9) Principal's Report: Please see attached report

10) Finance report - Samantha presented the Income Statement for the Parent Council

11) Committee Reports

a) Hot Lunch

Joey's Snack Shack - April 24th, looking into a Taco Place on the Westside, Becca is planning on May 22nd for the next Hot Lunch.

Kona Ice is booked for June 24th Social Family BBQ. Becca will need to get numbers to know what will need to be ordered for the BBQ. Catherine to check on 'Chips' for the BBQ.

b) Social - no big event this month, a spring clean up for the weekend of June 1st is planned for our gardens

c) Wellness - Working on recipes for everyone to try. An idea was brought forward to see if we could make a St Patrick Cookbook, having healthier options and have the 'book' available in the library for the kids to borrow. Check with Megan Meyer as her grade 5 health class just did a unit using lentils and beans, also Tracy to check Alberta Beans and Pulses producers. (Kathy to get the correct name for Tracy) to see if they have any recipes to try. We could also make an online option as well.

d) Fundraising - BBQ packs will be sent out as a reminder this week for delivery on the Tuesday before the long weekend. We have about 40 items ordered as of today.

e) Gift - Purchased a gift card for Sydney, we will be getting something for Ms. Calfrobe as well

12) Date of 2023-2024 Regular Meetings

a) May 8, 2024, June 5, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

13) Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm by Loan Cao-Dutch.

Minutes prepared by Tracy Bozzi

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April 2024 Principal's Report

Offered by Kathy Jones-Husch on behalf of the Staff of St. Patrick Fine Arts School

- **Spaces Parent Survey results - time to have a closer look...** what kinds of things are parents curious about?

- need to pick a participation prize winner

- **Enrollment projections for our school** - we have submitted enrollment projections for our school based on current numbers, current 24/25 registrations and additional registrations predicted to come. *Our projection is promising for next year.* We will hear more about our teacher and EA staffing allocation in the coming weeks once the budget has been proposed. Please continue to promote our school to friends and family.

- as per the 24/25 Alberta Education funding model, there will not be any fees for bussing next year and the distances for bussing access have been reduced to **1.0 km of driving distance**. More clarification may be available in May.



	24-25 Baragar Estimate		Sept 2023 Actual		School March Estimate	
	Head Count	FTE	Head Count	FTE	Head Count	FTE
Regular Program						
Kindergarten	25	12.5	29	14.5	39	19.5
Grade 1	42	42	39	39	41	41
Grade 2	40	40	40	40	39	39
Grade 3	44	44	39	39	42	42
Grade 4	39	39	43	43	42	42
Grade 5	44	44	43	43	47	47
Grade 6	41	41	43	43	45	45
Grade 7						
Grade 8						
Grade 9						
Grade 10						
Grade 11						
Grade 12						
Total Regular Program	275	262.5	276	261.5	295	275.5

- **Division Program Parenting Workshops** - our iSWAG ((Indigenous) Student Wellness Access Guide) has parent nights at the Sandman Signature Hotel with free supper and learning. Check out the topic list [here](#). There is also a resource hub available to families [here](#), in the hopes of taking out the confusion that comes with trying to navigate various supports in our Holy Spirit communities. The next event is on April

- 'When I Dream' PS II Artist in Residency project is well underway and students will be showcasing some work in picture, video and some live form info on Friday. They have been in 1-4 period workshops all week. This is a great pilot project with the U of L and our school.

- Running Club is ready to go - **sort of** - we are hoping for some parent volunteers to help with tracking the kids' mileage. Currently, the plan is to offer 8:15 - 8:35 run times at least Tuesday to Thursday and then lunch recess time Monday to Thursday (12:08 - 12:33). Parent help is more needed during the lunch recess time as teachers are often pulled away by other things. If you can help out, please let Kathy know ASAP and then we can confirm practice times for kids and parents.

- we are looking for regular library volunteers to help with shelving books, building bulletin boards and other projects (times can be super flexible). Please contact Ms. Turcotte if you can help (turcotted@holyspirit.ab.ca).

- do your kids achieve exceptional levels of success in outside activities or community involvement? Please pass the details on to our office (spfaoffice@holyspirit.ab.ca) so we can make sure our Superintendent hears about it. He writes the kids a letter of commendation for their achievements.

- School Council Engagement Grant Fund Event - Family Math Night is May 9 with the U of L Faculty of Education team. Planning time!

- new staff - please help me welcome Mr. Jared Bosgra to our staff as an EA through to the end of June. He is just awaiting some paperwork before starting, but hopefully will be with us next week! Fran Calf Robe has taken a position at FLVT as their FNMI Facilitator until at least the end of June.

General Information to Share

- Visit the [Community Education Services page](#) from Alberta Health for some workshop info that might be appealing to you and your family.

- Formed.org sign up is possible as members of our school community. There are many great family and personal resources there for faith formation. Go to www.formed.org and use the code 3FT2YD to log in.

- GrACE stands for *Graceful Advocates for Catholic Education* and is a hub for capturing Catholic Education happenings and priorities in our province. We must stand up loudly for the difference Catholic Education makes. Please consider following their work on Social Media. There is an engagement event for anyone interested to join on April 18 from 6-8 at St. Basil's Catholic Education Centre. All are welcome!

- GrACE Facebook address is www.facebook.com/GrACE4cathed
- Grace email is <mailto:gracedirector7@gmail.com>
- GrACE Twitter address is [@GrACE4cathed](https://twitter.com/GrACE4cathed)
- GrACE Instagram [@grace4catholiceducation](https://www.instagram.com/grace4catholiceducation)
- [Welcome to GrACE: Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta \(ccssa.ca\)](#)

Upcoming Events this Month

April 17 - School Smudge with Elders - all staff and students will hear from elders and be able to participate in a traditional smudge ceremony if they wish to in periods 1 and 2. Parents are invited to attend, as well. More information is coming home soon.

April 18 - grade 2s at First Eucharist Retreat

- free Emotional Regulation workshop for parents RSVP at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7R9L8CC>. Online attendance is now the only option as the in-person is full.

April 22/29 - Grade 6s to CASA for clay handbuilding and wheel work

April 23 - Grade 6 students visit FLVT for orientation tour

April 24 - last day of Round 2 Artist Workshops (fine tuning on May 1 for Festival)

April 25 - Hot Lunch - Joey's Snack Shack; Westwinds Thunder Dance performance

April 26 - Favourite Hoodie Spirit Day

April 30 - Grade 4 trip to Waste Water Treatment Plant and Recycling Centre

May 1 - Grade 3s to Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Performance

May 1 - Learning Through the Arts Festival (evening) - some of our students are performing live, so attendance is important and all students/families are encouraged to attend

May 1 and 2 - Build-fest division celebration of the arts and learning (Exhibition Park) - some of our students are performing live on May 2 and visual art will be displayed there, too.

May 5-11 - Catholic Education Week

May 8 - School going to Yates to see FLVT's performance of *Madagascar, Jr.*

May 8 - next School Council Meeting

May 9 - Family Math Night event with U of L

May 14 - FLVT Parent Orientation evening - for incoming grade 7 parents