

St. Patrick Fine Arts School Council

March 12, 2025

In Attendance: Kathy Jones-Husch, Becca Innes, Samantha Wilk, Patty Wright, Loan Cao-Dutch, Rennie Arik

Online: Tracy Bozzi, Mo Abimbola

Regrets: Catherine Furukawa

- 1) Call to Order - meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm
- 2) Opening Prayer -
- 3) Introductions -
- 4) Approval of Agenda - Approval of the agenda by Patty Wright, seconded by Samantha Wilk. Carried.
- 5) Reading and Approval of Minutes of February 12, 2025 - Approval of the minutes from the February 12, 2025 meeting by Patty Wright, seconded by Samantha Wilk. Carried
- 6) Business from the Minutes -
- 7) Principal's Report - **see attached principal's report**
- 8) Finance report - Samantha shared the financial report
- 9) Reports
 - a) Hot Lunch - Hot lunch is Wednesday April 9th - D-Spot - chicken strips, fries, sausage and a crispy chicken sandwich, May is OPA skewers
 - b) Social and Wellness - Swimming at Nicholas Sheran Saturday March 15, 2025 6:30-8:30, April Spring Dance Friday April 11, 2025
 - c) Fundraising - No report at this time
 - d) Gift - No report at this time
 - e) Spring Fundraiser - Meeting on March 24th, call Kathy for more details about place and time
- 10) Date of 2024-2025 Regular Meetings
 - a) April 2, 2025, May 7, 2025, June 4, 2025
- 11) Adjournment - motion by Patty Wright to adjourn at 7:52 .

Minutes prepared by Tracy Bozzi

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March 2025 Principal's Report

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



General Information to Share

- registration for all students (current and new) is now open. Please complete your registration form so that we can plan well for next year. As a school of choice, it is important that we plan ahead to help the other west side schools gauge their enrollment, too. Reminder slips will be given to parents at interviews.
- Grade 4 Accountability Survey from Ab Ed is now out to parents via e-mail. Codes were sent to parents and we will remind grade 4 parents prior to and then at interview time to participate so we have meaningful data going forward. The survey closes on March 21.
- you may know that CUPE 1825 (office, library and EA staff), CUPE 290 (Caretaking) and ATA (teachers) are in bargaining. CUPE locals are bargaining locally and teachers are bargaining provincially. There is always hope that the parties will come to agreements that serve everyone involved to have their needs met in good faith with the resources available. In the event of job action, our Superintendent and I will relay information to parents about how that will impact school. Please watch for more information; there is always a lot of stuff flying around, but the truth is available through the correct channels.
- 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. They have a new website, too: <https://www.gracealberta.org/home>.

Feedback and Engagement

- Next boundary engagement meetings will be on March 27 (St. Teresa of Calcutta) and March 31 (FLVT), both at 7 pm. Parents are encouraged to attend to provide input. The board will make decisions before year end and announce decisions in September so there is 1 year before implementation time.
- there were plans to start having 2-3 get togethers among school, parish communities and clergy, but the Superintendent has decided to put this on hold with so many things also needing attention.
- any feedback from the kids or from you for the Artist in Residence with Der'Ric Starlight in February? Kid 'Leaping into Lent with Love' Ash Wednesday retreat day?

Upcoming Events this Month and Beyond

Mar 12 - Day 1 of Artist Workshops round 2 for gr. 4-6 students. Lots of buzz around the school!

Mar 14 - Teachers will post updated 'Growth as a Learner' feedback for students to Spaces this weekend. You should be able to see if there is growth and be provided with a comment as well.

- St. Patrick's Day at school - get your green on!

March 17 - division collaboration day - staff do PD training, come together to plan units and assessments or work on larger division projects. All staff in every division school has this day.

March 18 - Spiritual Development Day - to be effective faith role models and leaders, our staff uses 1 PD day to focus on our faith. This year we have several speakers, the Bishop comes for mass, and we move forward on faith projects as school teams.

Mar 19-20- Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews (gr. 1-6) - 10 minute time slots to check in with teachers. Kids are encouraged to attend. Some teachers will seek to book ISP time with you as well on these evenings. There will also be a **Scholastic Book Fair** at this time; volunteers will be appreciated and the school gets generous kick-backs to buy more books for our library.

March 20 - Grade 6 Students tour FLVT

March 21 & 24 - Kindergarten interviews (no school on Monday for students)

March 24 - hot lunch (D Spot Desserts)

March 31 - Spring photos (optional) and Kindergarten 'grad' photos

March 31 - West side boundary consultation meeting @ FLVT, 7 pm

April 1 - Kindergarten 'grad' photos

April 2 - Next School Council Meeting

Time to start thinking about Run Club, too!