

St. Paul School Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 19 at 6:30 PM in person at St. Paul Catholic School

Administration: Mrs. Carr-Jeschke (Principal) (KCJ), Dalyce McNamee (DM)

Attendees: Sarah Huot (SH), Nicole Selin (NS), Jen Lafferty (JL), Audrey Hanna (AH), Kelsey Mramov (KM), Simon Kube (SK), Carlene McTague (CM), Tracey Esch (TE), Alicia Dmytruk (AD), Jenelle Garnter (JG), Dusica Radojcic (DR)

1. Call to Order 6:35 PM – KCJ
 - Prayer – DM
 - Land Acknowledgement – DM
2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes – Motion: AD Seconded: SK
 - Motion of Minutes (December 4, 2024)
Motion: KM; Seconded: AD
 - Motion to start the meeting
Motion: AD; Seconded: SK
 - Motion to approve Agenda
Motion: KM; Seconded: AD
3. **Administration Report – KCJ**
 - COSC: Edmonton Catholic is hosting the Community of School Council (COSC) on March 11. KCJ and DM will be attending. Open invite to council members to attend.
 - PATs: Overview of results from the Provincial Achievement Test (PATs) written by grade 6 students. 2023-2024 Science and Social Studies. Detailed results located in the February 19, 2025 [Administration report](#).
 - PAT Dates for 2025:
 - May 28 – English written
 - June 12 – English (multiple choice)
 - June 13 – Math Part A
 - June 17 – Math Part B
 - June 18 – Social StudiesMath is new to 2025. It was not previously written due to the new math curriculum. Parent Guide available for parent and student support.
 - Grade 6 Farewell: scheduled for June 19, 2025. Hosted at the school. To begin at 10:30 am. Program to include ceremony, certificate handout and lunch. Students to stay for the afternoon. Teachers are organizing an event that will include a slide show. Parents will be requested to submit pictures to support the slide show (Student baby picture + current picture). To be communicated in Friday communication. No additional funding requested at this time.
Aerial Park at Snow Valley booked for Grade 6 camp

Items to Celebrate:

- Trees of Hope (Wings) – great success and the charity was very grateful for the donations. Great for the kids to witness and be a part of.
- 12 days of Christmas – lots of fun and busy time
- Pancake breakfast – Amazing as always. Good event to welcome new families.
- Christmas concert – possible issue with attendance volume due to growing school
- Bell Let's Talk – great awareness and participation from the kids
- Winter Walk Week Grade - connect with nature / outdoor time.
- Grade 3-6 Ski. Issues with Snow Valley. Not great to work with and they were not kind to St Paul staff. Rabbit Hill was much better. Goal to book with Rabbit Hill next time. Bussing cost is the same (flat rated) regardless of the destination.
- Grade 4 Bible Ceremony: Hosted in the gym / great event
- Inquiring Minds: Grade 2 class completed 1 week at RAM. Went to City Hall and met Mayor Amarjeet Sohi.
- Winter Carnival: great success regardless of the cold weather. Morning was French Carnival Themed with the afternoon focused on family traditions. Families were asked to bring in artifacts or share traditions.
- Open House: had a great turnout. Registrations rolling in.
- Valentines Day: Lots of fun. Some students were confused around the optional aspect of handing out valentine cards. Potential for additional communication next year.

Calendar Events

- Pink shirt Day on Feb 25 because school is closed for a PD Day on Feb 26
- Teachers Convention – Feb 27-28
- Shrove Tuesday and Pancake Lunch – March 4.
- Ash Wednesday – March 5
- Demo of Learning and Book Fair – March 6.
- COSC March 11
- March 20 will be a full day of school with March 21 as early dismissal
- Spring Break: March 24-28. Back to school March 31

New Business

- Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Lunch: iHop delivery of pancakes, Still need volunteers (2 x per class). Request to send volunteer requests through teacher weekly communications. Request that teachers handle food for students that have allergies.
- Demonstration of Learning: student led to allow them space to share ideas/concepts around the classroom. There will be multiple families at a time.
- Scholastic Book Fair. Volunteers needed for book fair. Communication to be sent out to parents by school. Organized by Alicia D
- Oilers Watch Party: April 5 at 2 pm. Event planning underway, lead by Jenelle and Cathal. Poster and marketing next week. Fundraising support from Carlene. Volunteer request to be sent out closer to the event.
- Parent Room Rep / contact: request for a class lists for parent contact. Potential for a reverse consent process.
- Dance Residency: school has applied. Waiting to hear back on availability.
- Student interaction concern shared around an aggressive behavior incident between students. School administration shared that they have cameras available and school

- yard monitoring. Reinforce the need to address issues on the spot.
- GATE program feedback: request for increased communication and regular touch points for GATE families. School administration has plans to host a session in September for increased communication. Request to also include a midyear touchpoint. Google Classroom is a great resource to see what students are working on.
- GATE program structure: adjusted from a pull out model to a push in strategy. Challenges with Grade 1 leaving their class to attend GATE 2/3 class. This was happening to help prepare grade 1 for GATE program but program has been adjusted to provide a more fixed structure for social development skill.
- School Feedback: question raised around how the school receives feedback. No formal tool is in place today.
- Assessment Tool: is there an opportunity for the school to offer more assessment based communications (thumbs up, down, sideways) to better understand if students are hitting the mark or require additional development. To be discussed at the next staff meeting.

Motion to End 7:20 PM: AD; Seconded: JG

St. Paul Parent advisory Association

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1. Motion to Call to Order (February 19, 2025 at 7:23 PM)
Motion: AD, Seconded SK – Approved.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes – NS
 - Minutes
 - Motion: AD, Seconded SK – Approved.
 - Agenda -
 - Motion: JL; Seconded: AH. Approved.

3. Financial Reports & Budget –

Bank Balances- as of Feb 11/25		
Casino Account	\$	1,624.11
Casino GIC	\$	53,150.84
<u>Casino TOTAL</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>54,774.95</u>
General Account	\$	2,616.79
General GIC	\$	21,140.75
<u>General Total</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>23,757.54</u>

4. Fundraising – Goal is \$10,000

- \$1,360.62 raised from Healthy Hunger + \$855.49 from Purdy's Christmas + \$1,608.59 from a GIC investment.
- Spent: Pancake breakfast \$1,952.55 + Oilers Watch Party \$200 + Bank Fees \$34.50
- Purdy's Easter Fundraiser
- Possibly not proceeding with Sasbury fundraiser
- Casino next year

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM – Motion JG. Second: SK.