

**Ecole Mother Teresa School School Council Meeting**  
**October 20, 2021**

Call to Order: 6:36 p.m.

Opening prayer: Jeff Tuchscherer

Acknowledgement of the Land: Jeff Tuchscherer

Attendance: Francine Hewson, Dorraine Lonsdale, Carrie Doucet, Jeff Tuchscherer, Brandie Bowman, Tara Spotter, Dawn Stauffer, Tamalyn Tardif

Approval of minutes of previous meeting: September 23, 2021. Moved by Brandie Bowman to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dawn Stauffer. Passed

Reports:

1. Principal report - Jeff Tuchscherer
  - a. Faith
    - i. Many activities involving Faith within the school
  - b. Safe & Caring
    - i. Jeff had a meeting with AHS after the COVID outbreak lifted and adjustments to Grades 5 & 6 cohort resulted.
    - ii. Vaping has been an issue at the school. Staff are receiving a PD about vaping and an AHS parent info night about vaping is being organized.
    - iii. Indigenous programming - staff are participating in the Red Deer Powow happening on October 22.
  - c. Activities
    - i. Parent teacher interviews will be via Google Meet or Google Phone call
2. Staff Report - Tamalyn Tardif - nothing to report
3. Fundraising - Francine Hewson
  - a. \$664.45 raised from the Veggie fundraiser - great feedback from participants about the fundraiser. 100 lbs potatoes and 80 lbs carrots donated to food bank as a result - this has been on EMTS social media
  - b. White Frog is interested in doing another fundraiser - there was interest from School Council members - Francine looking into what this could look like as a fundraiser done before Christmas
4. Fundraising - Dawn Stauffer - report not available - we will review at the next meeting
5. Trustee Report - Dorraine Lonsdale
  - a. Thank you
  - b. Draft Curriculum Review in 3 stages:
    - i. Completed
    - ii. Teachers
    - iii. Parents - option to provide feedback November 1 - 20
6. Faith Report - Brandie Bowman

- a. Brandie had emailed back and forth with Peter and needs to connect with him on the phone to clear up her role and the information she is seeking
- b. Confirmation - unclear how many participants have registered for Confirmation at this time

Old Business:

1. Laminator - Jeff reported the laminator should suffice for this school year and he will look at the budget at the end of the school year to determine if the cost can come out of direct services
2. Mr. Giroux - Gym Exploratory - \$1500 - 2500 requested
  - a. We will have a better idea about whether this is possible as an exploratory after Jeff seeks clarification from Division office
  - b. We need to look at the budget in order to determine if the funds are available for this project and whether we want to support it - tabled until we have more information
3. Gathering Area Furniture - \$6000.00 has been approved for this project
  - a. Leadership Groups have been developed. Plan is for leadership groups to work with vendors to select the furniture

New Business:

1. ME Day event - Jeff is going to discuss options that align with COVID guidelines with the Counselling Team
2. Wake-A-Thon - Keep this in mind if it aligns with COVID guidelines around Lent
3. Request from Mrs Johannesson for volunteers to judge Halloween costumes.
  - a. Names put forward and Jeff reported they will design the activity to meet with COVID protocols
4. Hot Lunch is going well.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Closing prayer: Jeff Tuchscherer

Next Meeting: November 24 at 6:30 p.m.