


**Neil M Ross Catholic School**  
**School Council**  
Executive Meeting Minutes  
September 28, 2021 | via Google Link

**Attendance:** Shauna Wasik, Courtney Quirk, Melissa Giroux, Stephanie Chau, Beck Prud'homme, Candice Crandall, Susan Tarling, Melissa Crane, Sheri Holik, Ryan Gerace, Anne Hanson, Natalie Jennerich, Amanda Cherniwchan, Amanda Grochmal, Franco Cassano, Lisa Kohel, Lisa Dube, Michael Bombard, Caroline Bouvier, Courtney Haigh, Renee Dewitt, Trustee Greg Schell, Shelby Moser, Sherry Gagne

**Regrets:** Kristy Cunningham

1. Call to Order
  - a. 7:33 p.m.
2. Additions to the Agenda
  - a. None
3. Approval of the September 2021 Agenda
  - a. Susan Tarling motions to approve the agenda; Ryan seconds motion - motion passed
4. Approval of School Council Minutes from May 2021
  - a. Courtney motions to approve minutes; Ryan seconds motion - motion passed
5. Fowler Report
  - a. Please see the attachment.
  - b.  Fowler Report Sept. 2021
6. Old Business
  - a. Playground Update-Courtney Haigh
    - i. CFEP application from May intake was withdrawn;
    - ii. Next meeting is October 12 to discuss preparing the CFEP application for January 2022 intake;
    - iii. Engagement with students, staff and administration. Playground updates can be found in monthly newsletters. Questions/comments are always welcome - please email Shelby Moser or Courtney Haigh (courtney.haigh@gmail.com)
  - b. Committees for 2021-2022 –Melissa Giroux
    - i. Courtney Quirk will sign on as Chair of Shrove Tuesday.
    - ii. We encourage every parent to view the committee sign up sheets and reach out to Melissa Giroux for further information as needed.
7. Trustee's Report-Gregory Schell
  - a. Renaming of the former Vital Grandin; 9 possible names down to 5 names to the school community. Now known as **Holy Family Catholic School**
  - b. MCHS has opened their gym to prisoners of the Morinville church destroyed by fire this summer.
  - c. Municipal election upcoming October 18; there are 5 candidates running for 4 positions. Please head out to vote and show your support for Catholic education.
  - d. We would like to acknowledge the passing of former trustee; Mrs. Rosaleen McEvoy. She was a strong and passionate trustee for many years.

- e. For information on recent trustee meetings please reference the GSACRD website for past and current minutes.
- f. Please email trustee Schell for any questions/comments; [gschell@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:gschell@gsacrd.ab.ca)

8. Administration Report –Shelby Moser and Sherry Gagne

a. **Please see Administration Report**  **SC AdminReport Sept. 2021**

b. Questions posed from conversation:

- i. Watching movies in classrooms during lunch: this is a good way to help organize students in a manner that they eat their lunch in the time allotted. Classroom teachers pre-select shows appropriate for the class.
- ii. Grade 6 leadership for lunch supervising is temporary on hold.
- iii. Field Trips: as the school year continues the administration will continually adjust as restrictions change.
- iv. For further information please reach out directly to Shelby and Sherry with further questions.

9. Friends of Neil M. Ross Report - Anne Hanson

- a. Friends of NMR is a registered charity established in 1994. The group works hand in hand with the school council but is an independent group.
- b. Funds raised go to the direct benefit of all students; grade 4 bibles, playground bins, playground development, gym curtain (past project).
- c. All executive positions have been filled; Anne Hanson (Chair), Courtney Haigh (Treasurer), Candice Crandall (Secretary), Ryan Gerace and Becky Prud'homme (Members at large). Meetings are open to all parents.
- d. Please visit our website: <friendsofnmr> or contact Anne Hanson directly at [annewithaplan@gmail.com](mailto:annewithaplan@gmail.com)
- e. Fundraising calendar will be published to all the school in October Ross Reporter
- f. Family and Friends Ski Night is March 5
- g. No halloween dance this year but we will look forward to a Spring dance!
- h. For any fundraising ideas please contact Anne or any committee members.

10. Healthy Hunger - Susan Tarling and Katie McMillan

- a. October 8 is the first date for Healthy Hunger (Dairy Queen)
- b. The whole calendar is set for the year with menus
- c. Log into [www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca) - be sure to select NMR and then select div 1 or div 2. to set up your account for each student.
- d. Healthy Hunger Funds Allocation
- e. 2020-2021-Melissa Giroux
  - i. I, Courtney Haigh, motion to move \$273.00, from the total \$473.00 collected from 2020/2021 Healthy hunger account, to be transferred to FNMR. Seconded by Susan Tarling - all in favour; motion passed.
- f. 2021-2022-Melissa Giroux
  - i. I, Courtney Haigh, motion funds raised from Healthy Hunger for the 2021/2022 school year are to be utilized in the following ways:
    - 1. For Healthy Hunger Expenses;
    - 2. Incidentals, as required;
    - 3. Year End BBQ;
    - 4. Excess funds to be utilized for school council activities, as required;
    - 5. Any remaining funds to be transferred, via motion, from 2021/2022 healthy hunger account to the Friends of Neil M Ross School Society, to the benefit of all students.
      - a. seconded by Stephanie Chau - all in favour; motion passed.

11. Yearbook - Rebecca Prudhomme
  - a. Becky motions to make the 2021/2022 yearbook sale price at \$22 per book - seconded by Susan - all in favour; motion passed.
  - b. Committee is open to parents to join and provide feedback. Please sign up via the google link.
12. Alberta School Council Association Update - Melissa Giroux
  - a. We are a member of the Alberta School Council Association.
  - b. Currently asking for Resolutions to bring forward to the Alberta government to bring forward at the Annual General Meeting. Please visit [www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca](http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca)
  - c. Bring forward any questions or comments to Melissa Giroux.
13. New Business
  - a. Holy Family Parish Rep
    - i. Shauna Wasik has joined the School Council as the 2021/2022 Holy Family Parish Rep.
  - b. Education Foundation Updates - Courtney Haigh
    - i. Please join us at the next meeting for an introduction.

**Next Meeting Date:** October 19 2021 | 7:00 p.m.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 9:41 p.m.