



"Together We Build Tomorrow in God's Love"

Neil M Ross Catholic School | Executive Meeting Minutes | April 26, 2022

DATE: April 26, 2022 **TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: In Person at NMR Soar Centre and Virtual Google link available

Attendance: Shelby Moser, Greg Schell, Rebecca Prud'homme, Candice Crandall, Jessica Brady, Melissa Giroux, Courtney Haigh, Courtney Quirk, Shauna Wasik, Stephanie Chau, Ryan Gerace

Virtual: Susan Tarling

Regrets: Kristy Cunningham, Anne Hanson, Sherry Gagne

1. Call to Order (Melissa) at 7:07 p.m.
2. Opening Prayer (Shauna)
3. Acknowledgment of the Territories (Melissa)
4. Good News to Share
 - a. Welcome to all the parents who have joined us tonight.
5. Introductions (Shelby)
6. Additions to the Agenda
 - a. 18.d - Education Foundation May 27 "Come Together" Fundraising Night
7. Approval of the April 2022 Agenda - Motioned by Susan; 2nd Candice
8. Approval of the March 2022 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Delete duplicate "Susan Tarling" / Add Regrets "Courtney Quirk"
 - b. Change ADMIN Report to March 2022 (replace current April 2022 version)
 - c. Motioned by Becky; 2nd by Stephanie
9. Fowler Report (Evan Giroux)
 - a. Attachment 1
10. School Council Elections (Shelby)
 - a. Attachment 2
11. Old Business:
 - a. Wish List Item Update
 - i. Mic Audio System (Courtney and Shelby)
 - ii. Motion to approve School Council's support for the Frontrow Juno System, as presented, in the amount of \$8,354.50.
 1. Motioned by Stephanie; 2nd by Courtney Q. - all in favour - motion passed
12. ASCA Engagement Workshop / AGM (Melissa)
 - a. Meeting was nine hours; Diploma weighting resolution was passed with amendment P22-01; Maintenance funding resolution was passed without amendment P22-02; Restoration of funding for ACSA approved P22-03; Advocacy of bus stop signage with amendment A22-01.
 - b. Next Engagement Workshop May 17 to be held virtually. More information to be shared via email for registration.
13. Trustee Greg Schell, Report (Schell)

- a. Attachment 3
14. Administration Report (Shelby and Sherry)
- a. Attachment 4
 - b. Student Code of Conduct 2022/2023 distributed to parents for review and feedback.
15. Friends of Neil M Ross (Courtney)
- a. Purdy's Fundraiser closed with chocolates arriving before Easter.
 - b. Spring Dance is coming!! Candice (Committee Lead) said planning is coming along; waiting for final numbers.
16. Hot Lunch Committee Report (Susan and Katie)
- a. Div 1 / Div 2 lunch is creating issues with delivery times. Solution for next year is to pick one restaurant for Div 1 and one for Div 2.
17. Holy Family Parish Update (Shauna)
- a. Pancake Sunday is back.
 - b. Grade 7-12 Youth Group is starting up with parent volunteer run. Next one is May 15. Facebook page is available for parents to gather information.
 - c. Junior Knights Choir is starting (boys grade 7-12) Squires.
 - d. Synod - your voice within the church, the diocese, your local Catholic community: May 1 is the deadline to submit. Links are available through website: Archdiocese of Edmonton.
<https://www.caedm.ca/synod>
18. Yearbook Update (Rebecca)
- a. First draft is completed; new areas included this year "What I want to be when I grow up" - Kindergarten.
 - b. Pictures will be taken at the Spring dance.
 - c. May 16 final copy to be submitted.
 - d. Sold 183 copies to date. Purchase a yearbook online via cash online.
 - e. Grade 6 handwritten message by teachers to the students.
 - f. Extra pages added and filled.
 - g. Discuss a September delivery; to capture the full year. More discussion at the May 2022 meeting.
19. New Business
- a. Year End BBQ (Candice)
 - i. Date: Tuesday, June 28 starts approximately at 12:00 p.m.
 - b. School Council Email (Melissa) / School Council Parent Survey (Melissa)
 - i. Generic email to be created for School Council; accessed by Executive members.
 - ii. Connect with Google drive
 - iii. Consult with ACSA to get information on creating parent engagement to create a parent involvement survey. Admin and Executive review process. May 2022/June 2022. Survey intent; engage parents by first establishing a baseline.
 - c. Education Foundation - May 27 "Come Together" Beatles Tribute Band. Held at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre; Tickets available first week of May for \$50 each or table of 8 for \$350. There will be food and drink available for purchase at the event. Please come and support the Foundation as we host our first live in-person event! Funds raised go towards Grade 9 and Grade 12 scholarships, as well as, School Grants available to all district schools.

Next Regular School Council Meeting: May 31, 2022

Meeting Adjourned (Melissa): 9:37 p.m.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Fowler Report

March 9 we hosted our in person Open House. It was wonderful to welcome families into the school again and meet our new Falcons!

March 11 our senior girls Basketball teams competed in City Finals. After a closely matched game they took home the gold!

March 21 we were honoured to have Terry Lakey teach the Falcons and teachers a variety of Traditional Indigenous Games.

March 23 Father Adam and Father Curtis came to RSF so we could participate in Reconciliation. Last Thursday, we celebrated Holy Week and upcoming Easter with a gr. 9 re-enactment of the Way of the Cross. This was presented by a gr. 9 class. All RSF Students attended this beautiful recreation of Jesus' journey to crucifixion.

Our Lenten Service Project raised a total of \$1250 for our partnership with Catholic Social Services to provide Be Safe Kits for vulnerable youth.

Our Badminton season is in action. Teams have been selected at each gr. Level and students are practicing regularly. On Earth Day we celebrated by incorporating Indigenous Ways of Knowing and care for the Earth with a Community Clean Up.

2. School Council Elections

Names Submitted for School Council Executive Positions 2022-2023

1) We will now ask for names to be put forward for the position of:

Kindergarten Rep: Amanda Cherniwchan has put her name forward to be one of our Kindergarten Reps for the 2022/2023 school year.

Are there any other individuals who would like to be considered for Kindergarten Rep?

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By acclamation, Amanda Cherniwchan is one of our Kindergarten Representatives. We will open up the second position in September to any kindergarten parents at NMR. Congratulations and thank you Amanda.

2) We will now ask for names to be put forward for the position of:

Members at Large: Susan Tarling, Candice Crandall and Courtney Quirk have put their names forward to be our members at large for the 2022/2023 School Year.

Are there any other individuals who would like to be considered for Member at Large?

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All those in favour for Susan Tarling, Candice Crandall and Courtney Quirk to be our Members at Large? Thank you Susan, Candice and Courtney.

3) We will now ask for names to be put forward for the position of:

Secretary: Rebecca Prudhomme has put her name forward to be Secretary for the 2022/2023 school year

Are there any other individuals who would like to be considered for Secretary?

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By acclamation, Rebecca Prudhomme is our Secretary for the 2022/2023 school year. Congratulations and thank you Becky.

4) We will now ask for names to be put forward for the position of:

Vice-Chair: Courtney Haigh has put his name forward for Vice Chair.

Are there any other individuals who would like to be considered for Vice Chair?

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By acclamation, Courtney Haigh is our Vice Chair for the 2022/2023 School year. Thank you Courtney.

5) We will now ask for names to be put forward for the position of Chair.

Chair: Melissa Giroux has put her name forward for the position of Chair.

Are there any other individuals who would like to be considered for Chair?

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By acclamation, Melissa Giroux is Chair for the 2021/2022 School Year.

Our elections are complete for the 2022/2023 School Year. Thank you for your participation.

We would now like to share the names of our Holy Family Rep and Committee Chairs for the 2022/2023 School Year:

Holy Family Rep/School Council Committee Chairs 2022/2023 School Year

Holy Family Parish Rep: Shauna Wasik (not confirmed yet)

Compassion Committee: Susan Tarling

Healthy Hunger/Hot Lunch: Susan Tarling and Katie McMillan

Staff Appreciation Week: Daiana Bijou and Courtney Haigh

Playground Committee: Courtney Haigh

Shrove Tuesday: Courtney Quirk

Year End BBQ: Candice Crandall

Yearbook: Rebecca Prudhomme

3. Trustee Report

 2022-03-14_Highlights.pdf Provided by Trustee Greg Schell

4. Administration Report

Admin Report for NMR School Council Meeting APRIL 26/22

- ★ This year's Faith Goal: ARISE : Get up...**GET GOING!**...Go with God!
- ★ Thankful to our parents for your contributions to "Love for Lent" - we donated \$712.55 to Catholic Social Services from our loonie/toonie classroom collection.
- ★ April Food bank drive was very successful and the St. Albert food bank was blown away by our contribution of 750 pounds of food! Thank you to our families for your support.
- ★ We had such an amazing Student Faith Retreat on Holy Thursday that focussed on Lent and the 7 grandfather teachings. Students participated in their very own soapstone carving from one of the grandfather teachings as well. Our religion

consultant Colin Loisel, as well as our division Chaplain Doug Kramer, joined us and planned two separate Lent focussed assemblies that day.

- ★ We walked together as a school community to HFP for our Alleluia Mass last Thursday at HFP (9:00am). Our kinder kiddos, with their siblings, took part in the readings. Father Berube and the Parish were so accommodating at starting Mass slightly later so that we could join them. We are grateful for our partnership with them.
- ★ Our school division is conducting Catholic School reviews with all of our buildings and we are excited to be one of the first! This will occur May 4-6 and will involve interviews with students, staff, parents, and the Parish. A letter will be going home to inform parents of the process this week. We are currently looking for parents who would like to be part of a ten minute interview to answer questions about the Catholic lens in our school. Please be assured there are no right or wrong answers and we welcome parents who are interested to please let us know if you would be willing to participate. The interview can be in person or on the phone.
- ★ We had Flying Bob "One man three ring circus" come to our school last week and he was a huge hit with the kids!
- ★ Field trips are back in full force both in school and out of school!
- ★ We are starting to plan for our Parent Appreciation drive-thru on Friday May 27th...stay tuned!
- ★ Grateful to our parent community for an amazing Staff Appreciation week that we were treated to the week before Spring break! We are definitely blessed by the support and generosity that we felt.
- ★ Safe & Caring Schools - NMR Code of Conduct - annual review of our code of conduct that goes in our school/parent agendas as well as on our website. The first part of our code of conduct is aligned with items outlined in our school division administrative procedures and is standard across our school division and provided for information. The second part is unique to our school and where we provide parents the opportunity to review and provide feedback for consideration before final posting for the next year. We will distribute paper copies tonight to parents in attendance for review. The items in black font are division based and the items in green font are school based. After tonight it will be posted on our website.
- ★ Division Assurance Survey has wrapped up and we are so pleased to share our results and welcome your feedback!
 - Student summary [HERE](#)
 - Parent summary [HERE](#)
 - Staff summary [HERE](#)
- ★ NMR Enrollment as of April 22/22
 - Kindergarten 62 (Full day 18, Half day 44)
 - Grade 1: 50
 - Grade 2: 61
 - Grade 3: 47
 - Grade 4: 62 (24 sports academy)
 - Grade 5: 41 (11 sports academy)
 - Grade 6: 67 (16 sports academy)
- ★ Our 3 grade 1 classes participated in the St. Albert Garbage Can Design Contest 2022 | Cultivate the Conversation. Please vote on your favorite one here: https://conversation.stalbert.ca/garbage-can-design-contest-2022/survey_tools/which-is-your-favourite-design
- ★ Looking for Lunch Hour Supervisors. Please contact Elly if you are able to help or please pass along her contact information.
- ★ Administrative Appointments for next year:
 - Shelby Moser: Principal
 - Sherry Gagne: VP at St. Kateri
 - Rob Rawcliffe: VP at NMR
- ★ Please feel free to email or call Shelby or Sherry if you have any additional questions or would like to provide us with feedback on any of our school-related items. We would love to hear from you!
 - Shelby Moser smoser@gsacrd.ab.ca
 - Sherry Gagne sgagne@gsacrd.ab.ca