



"Together We Build Tomorrow in God's Love"

Neil M Ross Catholic School | School Council Agenda |

DATE: January 23, 2024 **TIME:** 7:00PM

LOCATION: Staff Room **VIRTUAL LINK:** meet.google.com/onm-dezd-duk

Attendance: Brittany Meaver, Melissa Giroux, Rob Rawcliffe, Susan Tarling, Jessica Brady, Abbey Koehli, Leslie Slansky, Stephanie Chau

Virtual: Gillian Hansen Schmidt

Regrets: Becky Prudhomme, Sheri Holik, Courtney Haigh, Courtney Quirk

Business Portion

	Time
1. Call to Order: 7:04PM	10 min
2. Opening Prayer-Melissa Giroux	
3. Acknowledgement of the Territories-Melissa Giroux	
4. Introductions	
5. Good News to Share	
• Warmer weather! Very thankful!	
6. Additions to the January 2024 Agenda	
• Compassion Committee Update (add to Old Business)	
7. Approval of the January 2024 Agenda	
• Motion: Susan Tarling Second: Abbey Koehli	
8. Approval of Minutes from October 2023 School Council Meeting	5 min
• No additions to the minutes	
• Motion: Stephanie Chau Second: Abbey Koehli	
9. Approval of Minutes from November 2023 School Council Meeting	5 min
• Will be deferred to the February 2024 Meeting	
10. Shrove Tuesday	5 min
• No update	
11. Fowler Report: Courtney Haigh provided update	5 min
• See Attachments at end of document.	
12. Old Business	
• Playground Committee Update – Courtney Haigh provided update	
- We have a new City of St. Albert rep who was assigned in November. I will meet with Shelby and Rob to arrange a meeting on the pre-project checklist of school level engagement.	20 min
- From there we will include Friends of NMR.	
- Kino has a new committee; we will schedule a playground meeting with them in February for the new build of the red/blue park.	
• ASCA Grant- Rob Rawcliffe	
- \$500 – we do not have anything solidified.	
- There were some schools that have put out an ask if we can combine, we might be able to do something with another school.	
• Dog Park – Stephanie Chau	

- Brief 10-minute meeting in early December, things are status quo.
 - The city is going to up their efforts to pick up dog poop in the area
 - Next meeting will be February 1 – hope there will be more updates after that meeting
 - Grade 6 Fowler Parent Meeting (February 20)
 - They will be here to see the Grade 6 students during the day
 - Attend next School Council meeting for a Q&A with parents (6:00PM)
 - Compassion Committee – Susan Tarling
 - Family that needed assistance due to health issues with a family and they were struggling.
 - Gift cards or e-transfers were being collected to assist the family
 - Collected \$330 of e-transfers and purchased Superstore gift cards for the family
 - Elly has a couple more to be added
 - These will be provided to the family by Shelby and Rob
13. Trustee’s Report 10 min
- No Update
14. Administration Report – Rob Rawcliffe 25 min
- See Attachments at end of document
15. Friends of Neil M. Ross Report- Becky Prudhomme provided update 5 min
- Friends Update <https://friendsnmr.wixsite.com/friendsnmr> Website updated regularly.
 - Little Caesars Pizza is on now until February 4. Volunteers needed for the week of February 19 to sort and distribute orders on delivery day. Link on parent Facebook page to sign up.
 - Ski night tickets will be on sale upcoming Sunday January 28. Sunridge Ski Hill March 2, 6:00PM-9:00PM, and tubing is an option this year as well. Volunteers needed on night of for the sign in table. Link to sign up will be on parent Facebook page closer to the event.
 - Purdys will launch in February so it comes in time for Easter, which is early this year.
16. Hot Lunch Committee Report-Sheri Holik provided update 5 min
- Since December, parent volunteers have come in to help out in the classrooms. They have been assisting the kids in distributing the lunches. Since then, we have noticed an improvement with the process of handing out and the number of discrepancies (with mixed up lunches, etc.) has reduced.
 - Jenn Kluthe has been a great help with this and reported back that this last healthy hunger went well in the classrooms. Most kids have developed a very well organized system. Jenn has been there to support when needed and I feel the kids appreciate the support when needed.
 - Overall it has been a great addition to healthy hunger.
17. Holy Family Parish Update-Melissa Giroux 5 min
- See Attachments at end of document.
18. Yearbook Update- Becky Prudhomme provided update 10 min
- Yearbook Update Sold to date: 95
19. New Business 5 min
- Staff Appreciation Week – Leslie Slanksky
 - Courtney has provided an email
 - No update at this time at this time, working on the date and it will likely be the week prior to March break as usual
 - Planning for that week and going from there

Meeting Adjourned 7:34PM

NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: February 20, 2024 at 7:00PM

Attachments**11. Fowler Report**

Junior and Senior basketball is well underway! - I will get more Fowler.

Be sure to follow them on Instagram to keep up to date with all key dates and upcoming information

13. Trustee Report
No update provided

14. Admin Report



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Admin Report for NMR School Council Meeting Jan. 23/2024

FAITH NEWS

★ This year's Faith Goal: **Growing in the Trinity!**

Growing in Love with the Father! ★ Caring for those in need:

- Our Lady of Kibeho Donation= over \$750
- Holy Childhood Association= over \$750

★ Truth and Reconciliation

- Focussing on the teaching of Truth and how Jesus taught us to lead in Truth

ACADEMIC NEWS

★ Excited to announce a new program at NMR! NATURE KINDERGARTEN starting in the fall of '24. This programming is contingent on enrollment of course.

DISTRICT

★ Waiting to hear about the results of the community engagement

FEEDBACK

★ Please feel free to email or call Shelby or Rob 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
- Rob Rawcliffe rrowcliffe@gsacrd.ab.ca

17. Holy Family Parish Update

Sacramental prep is well underway and lots of families are participating. Reconciliation and First Eucharist planned for April and June dates. Confirmation is scheduled for May.