

**ST. TERESA OF AVILA
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2019**

1) Call to Order

- Call to order by Ashley at 6:35

2) Opening Reflection

- Read by Chris

3) Introductions/Roll Call

- Kim Sinclair, Jodi Gaschnitz, Ashley Hutchinson, Nonalyn Cabiscuelas (New), Kate Romanoff, Nicole Zimmerman (new), Patti Gedak, Tara Leis, Stephanie Dieser, Kara Lavers, Savannah Shaw (new), Brandi Twidale (new), Colette Ross (new), Vern Pederson, Wendy Palma (new), Gilbert Gabriel (new), Luz Blanco (new), Chris McCullough, Melissa Ramsay, and Terri Gosnell.

4) Kudos

- Ashley for all your work getting hot lunch set up
- Stephanie for kicking off the fundraiser campaign
- All volunteers for picture day.
- Terri and Stephanie for compiling the paperwork for parents so it went out as a package at the beginning of the year. (hot lunch, fundraisers, orange shirt, etc.) It was great to have it come home on Friday so parents had time to review it on the weekend.

5) Additions and Approval of Agenda

- Kim approved
- Ashley second

6) Approval of June Minutes

- Ashely approved
- Jody second

7) Principal Report - Nicole Zimmerman



Lord, light the path and I will lead others

St. Teresa of Avila School Vision Statement: With joyful hearts, we are guided by faith, nurtured by love, enriched by diversity and focused on academic excellence.

Principal's Report
September 2019

1. Welcome to our new staff members

Melanie Nightingale - Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
Madison Foster - Educational Assistant Pre-Kindergarten
MaryGrace Driz - Kinder Educational Assistant Kinder Wed/Friday program
Mila Rakos - Grade 1 Teacher
Amanda Hatto - Educational Assistant - Grade 3
Kelly Foerderer - Grade 4 Teacher
Matthew Monks - Grade 5 Teacher
Hamlet Bulacan - Educational Assistant Foundations
Sam Liyang - Health Care Aide Foundations
Alyssa Klinger - Educational Assistant Foundations
Viola Benfield - Educational Assistant Foundations
Julie Masson - Family School Enhancement Counsellor

2. Faith in our School

Division Theme: Lord, light the path and I will lead others
Opening Celebration: Friday, September 13, 2019 at Sacred Heart Parish 9:30 am
Grade 4 Bible Celebration: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at St. Mary's Parish 10:30 am

3. Meet the Staff Event

This year we changed our event to an Open House before the school year started. We are seeking feedback from parents to inform our practice moving forward.

4. Enrollment

We have 362 students this year.

5. Breakfast Program

The nutritional grant we received from the Alberta government has been renewed. We are waiting for details on how the funds will be distributed. Our hope is to have a program that is very similar to what we had last year. In the meantime, we will continue to offer a program using funds from a grant that was applied for, left over grant money from last year's program as well as generous donations from parishioners at our parishes.

6. Staff Professional Learning

August - School vision and mission, positive team environments, division theme
September - LIFT overview, Response to Intervention Model, Poverty Simulation

7. Information Items

Over the summer our Little Free Library was vandalized. We are looking for someone to build us a new library. Please let us know if you know anyone!

Jo(e) Social Media -We have planned a parent information evening on October 2nd from 6:00 - 7:30. This presentation will empower parents and Grade 4 and 5 students to have a positive relationship with social media.

This event will cost \$450.00. Does School Council have any funds to support this event? We have also invited St. Patrick's School, Glendale School and Normandeau School.

8. Parent Communication

Parents are always welcome and encouraged to discuss questions or concerns directly with the classroom teacher or the school principal.

8) Chairperson Report - Ashley Hutchison

- a) Board Meeting Min- available online for review

9) Finance Report

	September 2019
Fundraising	\$14,338.31
Savings	\$824.69
Hot Lunch	\$617.62

10) Hot Lunch Report

- All restaurants have been booked for the rest of the year. Restaurants have increased cost and next meeting we need to create more inexpensive options for lunch.
- The website was not working for some parents. Ashley will send a service ticket.
- Every year we pay for 7 or 8 kids that aren't able to pay for lunch. Motion to approve 10 students at \$30.00/month for hot lunch. Kim moved, seconded by Patti. All in favor. CARRIED.

11) Old Business

- a) Voyager Tiles - original price - \$12,000 - actual cost \$6,104.70

- b) Magnets - cost \$564.06
- c) Revisit of possible magnet ideas in January

12) New Business

- a) Fall Fundraiser.
 - i) Farm to Fresh / VIP - some people are inquiring on what time pick up will be.
 - ii) This will be the first year of a multi year fundraiser as we are no longer using the Student Union Ticket Packages. Information will be
 - iii) There will be a mystery reward for the school if we raise \$7,000.
 - iv) Terri will send out a reminder this week that orders can be placed on-line.

- b) Halloween Dance
 - i) October 27 from 2-4pm
 - ii) Pumpkin carving contest was great and will be done again this year. Terri will keep a list of families that need a pumpkin provided.
 - iii) Prizes for first second and third. (Bowling, swimming pass, movies). Motion to purchase prizes for the halloween dance. Moved by Kate, seconded by Kim. CARRIED
 - iv) Popcorn will be purchased from Kernels. Terri moved to buy the big bags. Stephanie seconded. CARRIED
 - v) Volunteers - start at 11:00 for setup and cleanup after is appreciated.
- c) Council Positions
 - i) Friendship Meal coordinator - Patti Gedak
- d) Canyon Ski
 - i) They would like us to prebook a date. Melisa is coordinating the family night and was wondering if after Christmas would be a good idea and still host it on a Friday.
- e) Faith Tree Plaque
 - i) Voyager tile will come back in october to vote on cost for plaque
- f) Babysitting cost approval - approval for \$600.00 for SAC babysitting - stephanie 2nd Kara CARRIED
- g) Christmas Activities - table activities
- h) Advertising social media - Nicole to ask board office, Chris is going to ask Jo(e)
- i) School interview website - cost shared with SAC & School.
- j) JOe social media - \$236.25 has been approved that half will be paid

13) Closing Prayer

- Mr. McCullough

14) Future Meeting

- Monday, October 21 @ 8:08

15) Adjourn

- Read by Chris McCullough @ 9:28