**Jean Vanier Parent School Council Meeting Minutes May 24, 2018**

**Attendees:** **Carla Kemp, Gordon Marshall, Danielle Wong, Holly Zacharko, Shawna Molnar, Elaine Foote, Rosie Conrad**

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm by Shawna.

Gordon said opening prayer.

Approval of last months minutes, Shawna motioned – were approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Nothing other than hot lunch to be paid at this time.

**Principal’s Report:**

Gordon Marshall -

1. As a school community we will be celebrating Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on May 29th at 9:30am. Fr. Jim will be celebrating mass with us here at the school. All classes will go in and pray, parents are encouraged to join mass and view the chapel space. Next year the school will endeavor to create a more permanent chapel space.
2. Staffing update - We congratulate Mrs. Rafuse for being named Assistant Principal here at Jean Vanier for next year. We will also be welcoming Mrs. Joclyn Beliveau from Holy Redeemer school who will be teaching grade 1, Mrs. Lindsay LaBel from Our Lady of the Angels school who will take some of the assignments left from Mrs. Rafuse and Mrs. Willis-Polanski, and Mrs. Agnes Winou who will be our new Collaborative Response Coordinator Worker with her time spent .5 at Madonna and .5 at Jean Vanier. We bid farewell and best wishes as Mrs. Myroniuk will be retiring at the end of this school year and to Mrs. Willis- Polanski who will be moving on to St. John Paul II for next school year.
3. As a whole school community we participated in the living rosary on May 3rd.
4. 4R and 4S participated in tours of OLPH Church this past week.
5. Since the beginning of May many of our classes have participated in both in school and out of school fieldtrips:
   1. Kindergarten visited the Zoo.
   2. Gr. 1 students attended Arbor day & the John Walter Museum
   3. Gr. 2 attend the Edmonton Symphony, Butterflies and bugs presentation
   4. Gr. 3 attend the Edmonton Symphony
   5. Gr. 4 had orientation at St. Theresa, Nights and Shadows presentation, Mother’s day poetry Café, Mayors Walk and Run(with a swim!), Classroom Agriculture presentation
   6. Whole school received a visit from the RCMP horses.
6. We celebrated Ukrainian culture and Ukrainian Embroidery Day on May 17th and during our PD Day on May 18th the staff focused on culture awareness of all cultures in our school. Next year we will be working to recognize all cultures in our building. This is a step in ensuring that we are all being inclusive, the school is open to suggestions on how to go about this.
7. Why Alberta Still has a Separate Catholic School System video was viewed. http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1212119619753

***Updates:***

**Library:** Tables have all been paid for, reimbursed through parent council.

Next year we may want to look at moving the funding to the chapel area.

**Fun Day:** June 20th in the afternoon. Looking in to the prices for hot dogs to be catered for the event as opposed to parents cooking/serving. We will do some further research into the cost.

**Appreciation Assembly:** June 4, 2018

***New Business:***

**Facebook page:** Elaine put forward a suggestion that there be a Parent Council Facebook page, not for pictures or anything of that sort, but for information. Parent community would be able to access information in regards to school activities or even post if someone had lost something. Would look to start in September and would keep a watch to ensure that it would stay a positive page.

**Welcome Back Dance:** Will look to have it either September 14 or 20, will check with the dj to see when they are available. We will also explore the food options.

**Davidson Orchard Apple Fundraiser:** When is the latest that forms can be sent in, we want to be mindful around the business of the first weeks of school. We will wait to hear back with regards to timelines from the orchard.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, June 21 at 6pm.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 6:50pm by Shawna

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