**Jean Vanier Parent School Council Meeting Minutes October 29, 2018**

**Attendees:** **Gail Rockwell, Barb Rafuse, Gord Marshall, Leanne Doetzel, Shannon Breen, Amanda Ferdycz, Holly Zacharko, Shannon Warawa, Carla Kemp, Carrie Desjarlais, Krystin Bajer, Shawna Molnar, Rosie Conrad**

Meeting called to order at 6:08pm by Shawna.

Gordon shared an opening prayer.

Introductions, BUCPS is also attending

Approval of September 24, 2018 minutes, Carrie motioned, Karla and Shannon seconded – were approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** comparative report to prior.

**Hot Lunch:** There were a few people who missed deadlines and as such the ordering was re-opened briefly. It appears that there were 40 less orders this year compared to last year. First one completed.

There were some concerns about the orders that were sent, but things are being worked out.

**Principal’s Report:**

Gordon Marshall -

1. We had a wonderful liturgy for our Grade 4 Bible presentation with Fr. Jim
2. The same day our students enjoyed participating in our Terry Fox run.
3. We celebrated Obzynky (Thanksgiving) with Fr. Rendy, who came with some visuals.
4. We also had the first of our school masses at OLPH on Oct 16th.
5. Our school chapel is beginning to take shape. We had the space painted and have started to purchase some items for the space. We have a small committee of staff and one parent. We are also trying to see what might be available from the Eparchy so that both the Roman Catholic and Ukrainian Catholic aspects will be represented.
6. School photos were taken on Sept 26th. We had one complaint with regards to the class pictures and Icon has agreed to redo some of the class pictures on November 5th.
7. On Sept 27th. Our grade 4 students participated in their leadership retreat.
8. Sept 28th we celebrated Orange Shirt Day.
9. All of our students had the opportunity to see the Shumka dancers. Thanks to PAC and BUCPS for supporting this activity.
10. We had our School Bus evacuation drill, completed all of our required fire drills, and lock down drill.
11. Completed and passed our fire inspection.
12. The hot lunch and milk program are up and running. Thanks to Tara Warner and Holly Zacharko
13. Many activities have taken place – Kindergarten had Sparky and Fire prevention, I am unique, Number Farm. Gr. 1 Halloween Safety, Teachers Pet colors, Senses Gr. 2 boats and buoyancy Gr. 3 Bridges next week, Gr. 4 Waste in our world, Guru Training, Fort on the road, Makerspace.
14. Coming up we have parent-student-teacher interviews on Nov 6 & 7, Remembrance Day service on Nov 9th at 10:30 and fall break right after that.
15. We have secured the OLPH for our Advent concert on Wednesday, Dec 19th.

A question came up with regards to setting up with two teachers, will look at the settings and get back with regards to this.

Attempted abduction was discussed. The student went for a forensic interview with RCMP which was found to be inconclusive and as such the file has been closed. The school is still working to remind students about safety, supervision has been changed to some extent and staff continue to be vigilant about this possibility. Currently have a supervisor at all times by the parking lot, so that this staff member can observe when students go into the school to go to the washroom and also the parking lot and vehicles.

Question about the ice in the parking lot, county responsible, school will observe as well but if anyone wishes to do so they can contact the county through County Connect as well.

***Updates:***

**Jean Vanier Updated Picture:** Mr. Marshall spoke with Paul Corrigan, there really isn’t a protocol with regards to this. Suggestion was made to contact L’Arche to see if there are any updated pictures. Shawna will contact L’Arche.

**Parking Lot Issues:** Concerns about people parking in “non” spots or not actually dropping off in the drop off area, but sitting for a while in this area. Mr. Marshall will contact Glen Allen to see if they have sent information to parents as well, it was mentioned that it may not just be parents, but also grandparents who bring students. A few people that have been approached have indicated that they weren’t aware of the parking rules. Discussion with regards to the pylons and placing them out after afternoon recess for pick up. The noon hour supervisors may also be able to place the pylons out as well.

**Chapel:** PSC was asking about budget that was being requested. Currently the rug and benches purchased, looking to have the woodwork matching. Looking to have kneelers, altar, processional cross and lectern from a local supplier. As there will be a requirement to move things around the school will also purchase a dolly/hand truck. Likely to get Ikea lamps and all candles will be switch operated. Discussion around a fountain, but the water may evaporate and become an issue.

A parent has been approached about an art feature, maybe an art piece, possibly something with stained glass.

PSC discussed the possibility of some fundraising for the Chapel. Unsure of the timelines from the provider, it will likely be after Christmas.

Also discussion of what the Chapel space could be used for after, when it is blessed it them becomes a Chapel and that dictates what it can be used for.

Possible Math-a-thon in the spring for further support.

Shannon – motion to approve $2500.00 to support development of the chapel, Carrie seconded, all in favour. Amount can be revisited in the future.

**Birthday Cart:** The birthday cart is up and running with the books.

***New Business:***

**Advent Concert:** moved to OLPH, will look at the possibility of having some fellowship after the concert in the way of coffee/cookies.

**Christmas Baskets/VIP Parking/Fundraising:** list for teachers to pick reviewed 14 options, possibly look at VIP seating now as this is at the church.

Corporate letter will be available for anyone able to go out and request donations.

**St Nicholas Visit:** in 2017 it was approximately 450.00 for the bags for the English students. Amanda motioned to pay for this again this year, Holly seconded, everyone was in favour.

***Other Business***

A spot on the agenda will be available for BUCPS going forward.

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday, November 26 at 6pm.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 7:19pm by Shawna