**St. John the Apostle School Council Meeting Minutes**

**Dec. 8, 2015**

Attended by: Kerri Courville; Victoria White; Denise Corbett; Geeta Gera; Gordon Fitzpatrick; Lorrie Sweet; Paula Wilson

**Principal’s Report:**

1.       Events to date;

Gaelic football, Volleyball, Remembrance Day service, Rocks and Rings Curling, Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week (focus on WITS) and classroom pledges (Carleton U students visited), Ottawa U Maker Mobile, Father Lindsay continues to visit, Students are writing Christmas cards to send to Valley Stream Manor, Christmas Market, SJA News Show.

2.       Staffing:

Shauna O’Brien replaces Theresa Matheson in Resource

Travis Cliff replaces Neil McEvoy as acting Head Custodian

Mrs.Langsford gave birth to a baby boy, Spencer.

Mrs. Faloon gave birth to a baby girl, Lila.

3.       New Info:

\*3 Weather Watcher photos on CTV to date

\*Camilla Nunes won the Mayor of Ottawa’s Christmas card contest and will be visiting his office at City Hall next week with her family, Mlle Hughes and Ms.White.

\*Grade five class with two students performing in Sleeping Beauty went to the ballet last week.

\*Advent Mass with Father Lindsay. He was very appreciative of the poinsettia and card.

\*Advent collections of food and toiletries for Morrison Garden and items for Shepherds of Good Hope.

\*New clubs- Lego Club, Green team, Social Justice

\*visitor badges

4.       EQAO results

5.       School Climate Survey Results

6.       School Innovation Plans

\*Growth Mindset

\*Math Talk

\*Social Emotional Learning

**Chair’s Report:**

1.       Christmas Market Fair was very well received – We’ll be doing it again

2.       Barbara Colorosa was a huge hit.  We’ll look into doing another pro-grant

3.       Advent Mass – very nice once again

4.       Pick Grant Funds

5.       Still trying to figure out who’s paying for the play structures

**Treasurers Update:**

1.       We currently have $6000. Minus $2500 for buses and $150 for bells = $3350

**CSPA Report:**

1.       Survey when we want Christmas Break next year:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/10X9KLJOvIDh9bJunV65mi0dZ0hkle\_l3ulxIaVOq9o4/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/10X9KLJOvIDh9bJunV65mi0dZ0hkle_l3ulxIaVOq9o4/viewform?c=0&w=1" \t "_blank)

2.       Ground Greening Workshops available in the new year FREE.  Visit CSPA website:

[https://twitter.com/intent/follow?screen\_name=OttawaCSPA](https://twitter.com/intent/follow?screen_name=OttawaCSPA" \t "_blank)

**Parish Report:**

1.       Parents for 1st Communion and Confirmation Students met on Sunday with Father Lindsay

2.       Christmas Mass is on the Church’s website and in the bulletin

**Focus Items:**

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| **Focus Item** | **Speaker** | **Motion** |
| Christmas Market Summary – shall we set the date for 2016???  Saturday, Nov 12th, 2016 (10-4pm) | Paula Wilson |  |
| Parent Volunteer Roster Forms to go home  This notice will go out in the new year & will list the rest of the years activities | Robynn Kearns |  |
| Gift of Recess Update  Notices went home last week in all the classes | Shari Scott/Co-Chair |  |
| 2nd Fundraiser: Dance-A-Thon? Discuss timing/dates  Robyn & Kerri to discuss details | Co-Chair |  |
| Funds Focus: Teachers’ Allowance  Will discuss next meeting | Co-Chair |  |
| Co-ordinators Needed: Movie Night(s), Winter Dance, BBQ  Still looking – will discuss next meeting | Co-Chair |  |
| CSPA – school council to donate $50 – MOTION  Not sure what this is for so we’ll vote on it at the next meeting | Co-Chair |  |
| School asked for $456 for 1000 visitor stickers | Victoria White | Passed |
| School asked for reimbursement of $81 to feed volunteer students pizza at the Christmas Market | Victoria White |  |

**Action Items:**

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| **Action Items** | **Action Owner** | **Progress** | **Due Date** |
| Kerri to check with Stephanie to see if a cheque came in from Barbara Colorosa night | Kerri |  | Next Meeting |
| Kerri to speak with Stephanie regarding grant funds | Kerri |  | Next Meeting |
| Denise to get back to the parent asking who pays for the play structures. Gordon will ask at his community meeting as well | Denise & Gordon |  | Next Meeting |
| Kerri & Robynn to discuss details of the Dance-A-Thon | Kerri & Robynn |  | Next Meeting |