Loyola Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes- November 15, 2023 (rescheduled from Nov. 7 due to fire alarm)

- Opening Prayer
- Honouring of the Land
- Welcome to Council Members
  - 1. Introductions and Attendance:
    - Ana Maria Patron, Michelle Rego, Carla Reale, Christine Phillips, Lourdes DeAlejandro, Josie Halycz, Chris Hodges, Dawn Donohoe, Theresa MacDonald, Shari Typer, Kathy Ventresca, Sriyani Rathugamage
    - 2. Student Council Update

## Lourdes De Alejandro Souvervielle

- Student Council Trivia Night will be combined with the school council event February 9th
- Senior Semi-Formal-Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>-very excited
- More events are being planned for Christmas-Candy Grams
- 3. Review of:

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a. Catholic School Council Code of Ethics

## **Council Positions:**

- Chair-Ivonne Viol
- Secretary-Shawna
- Treasurer-Roberto
- Community Rep-Javier Janez
- Parish Rep(s)-Josie & Wayne
- OAPCE Rep -Christine Phillips
- Loyola staff rep(s)

Michelle Belbeck-Rego

Wayne Lachapelle

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4. Council Chair:

Ivonne Viol

- By-Laws
- Financial Report-Roberto
  - Roberto will be presenting at next meeting
  - o \$4262.39-balance from last year's fundraising
- Approval of Minutes-Oct. 3 meeting
  - Just submitted by Shawna-to be reviewed by school council chair and principal-will be sent to all members for approval
- Trivia Night Sponsor Letters
  - Would like to get the letters sent out soon to companies who will be having year end soon
  - Would like to have an organizational meeting before Christmas-Chaplain Wayne will organize the meeting and send dates
- Noche Latina-Would like to plan another one this year all families are welcome to attend
- 5. Review of Council Meeting Dates for the school year: Josie Halycz
  - Tuesday November 7, 2023 6:00-7:30 PM
  - Tuesday February 6, 2024 6:00-7:30 PM
  - Tuesday April 2, 2024 6:00-7:30 PM
  - Tuesday June 4, 2024 6:00-7:30 PM Social
- 6. Financial Update:

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- a. allocation of School Council Funds-Loyola Cares Lunch Program/Robotics
- b. Discussion ensued-final decision \$2,000.00 to the lunch program and \$2,000.00 to the robotics team
- c. Christine will canvas other RBC employees to access possible grant
- 7. Principal's Report:

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- a. Important dates
- b. Equity and Inclusion-Black Student Association, Indigenous Advocacy Group
  - i. Posters 7 Sacred Grandfather Teachings
  - ii. Career Panel Event Moved to February
- c. Pro Grant 2023-2024-Common Compass
  - Discussed how this organization could support parents in helping their children navigate post-pandemic stressors, mental health challenges. Parents also wanted more support around cell phone use and social media and how to help their children limit use.
- d. Cell phones www.cbc.ca
  - i. Viewed video
  - ii. Discussed points raised by the video and impact on brain development as well as behavioral effects of frequent cell phone use/screen time.
  - iii. Reviewed school plan for asking students to not use cell phones during class time. In class storage or leaving them in their lockers-school council members are in support of school plan
  - iv. Email will go out to the parents/guardians on Friday with the link for the video
- e. Classroom/school expectations
  - i. Next week is bullying prevention week-we will be sending a powerpoint to all teachers to review with their classes and including the cell phone use video
  - ii. We will be enforcing the no backpack rule and implementing bathroom sign out to increase safety in the school-school council members are in support
- f. Dinner With Bishop Crosby-November 13, 2023-gratitude to the attendees from school council-Ivonne, Silva and Dawn
- g. Parent Reps for Safe Schools-Ivonne Viol and ECL Committee-Carla Reale
- h. SGF balance- reviewed and will post on school website
- i. SGF Report-November -plan-reviewed and approved by council members-
- j. Loyola Cares Update

- i. Discussed use of funds for the lunch program
- ii. Discussed ways to have more people pay for the Charity Non-Uniform Days-\$20.00 one time fee for 10 for the school year-email did go home with dates and charities to be supported
- iii. Angel Care Campaign to launch next week for Christmas-support families in need
- k. Non-Uniform Days-paid charity 5 per semester
- I. Fundraising-Loyola Cares
- 8. Fees
  - a. Student Activity Fees -yearbook -email to be sent to all families just prior to going to print to encourage more people to pay the activity fee and receive a copy of the yearbook
- 9. Hawkeye Leadership Program-Activity for Christmas scheduled for Dec. 13th
- 10. Mental Health-Common Compass-PRO Grant-grant proposal submitted on behalf of Loyola School Council
- 11. STEAM-Update-program progressing well-STEAM Information Night November 30<sup>th</sup> 7-8 pm
  - a. STEAM Night for Girls-Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> prior to the Information Meeting
- 12. Life skills update-lunch program-going very well
- 13. Fundraising-Trivia Night-Feb. 9-Ask Chaplain Wayne to meet before Christmas break to start planning

Vice Principal Updates:

- Reporting timelines
- EQAO
  - OSSLT is being written next week for Grade 10's in a semester 1 English class + students who were unsuccessful last year.
  - o After school literacy ran 4 classes over 8 weeks this semester.
- 14. Chaplain's Report:
- 15. Robotics:

Wayne Lachapelle Michelle Belbeck-Rego