

Tuesday October 3rd, 2023 @ 7 p.m.

In attendance: Bart Denie, Blake Dolan, Karen Schmidt, Nicole Little Mustache, Leah Oyortey, Megan McRae, Mark Wynder

Item		Time
1. Call to order	Chair	7:04pm
2. Prayer	Karen	
3. Land Acknowledgement	Karen	
4. Approval of June 2023 minutes Approved by Leah, Seconded by Nicole		
5. Date for AGM and election of executive a. Chair b. Vice-chair c. Secretary	Planned for October 24, 2023 6:00pm	
6. Trustee report -Nice to have all trustees at the opening mass, and were able to meet with Ken Sampson to get updates. -There will be 8 days of bargaining in January -The district is up 3.5% enrollment, we at St. Michaels are drawing families and increasing enrollment. Discussed challenges with the funding model currently. We are trying to get more funding based on our growing needs, and trying to ask for a different funding model that would represent us rurally better. New 3 year rolling average of enrollment is what is currently determining school year funding. -Policies and Procedures were finished yesterday, lots of updates were needed and made. -Nov. 27, 2023 is the Board of Trustees with School Council Chairs	Blake Dolan	
7. Principal's Report	Karen/Mark	

School updates: Enrolment is up 31 students plus 2 Japanese International Students!

I. Elementary: As described by Alberta Education: 'Alberta's new K to 6 curriculum is founded on 4 key learning themes: literacy, numeracy, citizenship and practical skills. These themes are applied in all grades across all subject areas. This new focus ensures classrooms are centers of learning excellence. In September 2023, Kindergarten to Grade 6 students will learn new provincial curriculum in the following subjects and grades: Science (K–3) English Language Arts and

Literature (Grade 4–6) Mathematics (Grade 4–6).' -alberta.ca

What's new

In September 2023, school authorities began implementing 3 new K to 3 curriculums with teachers and students in classrooms. These 3 subjects include:

- French first language and literature
- French immersion language arts and literature
- Science

In the 2023-24 school year, all K to 6 students will also be learning the new English language arts and literature and mathematics curriculums.

School authorities will have the option to implement a new curriculum for grades 4 to 6 French First language and literature, French immersion language arts and literature and science or wait until the 2024-25 school year.

We will continue to take a balanced and measured approach to piloting and implementing the remaining draft K to 6 subjects. As a result, we've purchased a plethora of new resources such as UFLI, MathUp, etc. that teachers are implementing and receiving more orientation on in our Oct 6th PD day.

II. Junior High/ Senior High: This year we've implemented new protocols for course selection, and option courses. Students were sent home a form for parents/students to sign up and sign off on all classes for the entire school year. The success rate of return was positive! All course

fees are listed in our 'fees' section on our website..

<p>-Field trips are also being planned for the entire year now. This way, proper protocols for fundraising, and implementation will be much more organized, streamlined and effective in the end.</p> <p>Dragon athletics is off to a great start with 2 members of the golf team placing in the top 10 at zones. Cross Country had one runner place 2nd in the Bull Horn Race and districts (Oct 4) and Zones (Oct 11) are both being held in Pincher Creek. Go Dragons go!</p> <p>III. Events and celebrations</p> <p>September Events:</p> <p>Volleyball off to a great start- student fees are now due! Many students still have not paid- shoulder tap each other to make sure they're paid!</p> <p>Welcome Back Breakfast, Opening Mass, Welcome Back BBQ all were very successful events!</p> <p>October Events:</p> <p>Thanksgiving Celebration in the School on Thursday, October 5th @ 1:20pm</p> <p>Classes begin bi-weekly mass on Tuesdays @ 12:30 starting October 10</p> <p>Cross Country Districts (Oct 4) & Zones (Oct 11) both are in PC</p> <p>October 13th- Leadership is hosting a 'Family Movie Night' with Halloween Movies!</p> <p>IV: Staffing:</p> <p>a. Teachers:</p> <p>i. Mrs. Zoratti is our Kindergarten teacher.</p> <p>ii. Mr. Rigby is teaching 5/6E</p> <p>iii. Mme Parker is on leave this school year.</p> <p>iv. Mrs. Ettenhofer is a 1/2-time JH teacher, 1/2-time FNMI Academic Support teacher.</p>		
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<p>b. Support Staff:</p> <p>i. We are mourning the loss of Verna Delaney. Currently shortlisting and interviewing for the FNMI Facilitator position.</p> <p>ii. Mrs. Pushka Richards has officially retired as of September 2023. We are excited to welcome Miss Daisy Smith who will be joining our pre-K team in the Educational Assistant position soon.</p> <p>-A learning coach is coming Friday to help orient staff with new resources for the new curriculum.</p> <p>-Jordan's Principle meeting will be on Friday. The school division has applied as a whole. We are going to try to use funding from this to bring more options such as elders, speech/language services, extra devices, etc. We are confident that we should get some news soon.</p> <p>-We are looking at options to get some speakers in to talk about trauma and resilience.</p>		
<p>8. Friends of St. Michael's report</p> <p>No one to report</p>		
<p>9. School Council business</p> <p>a. 22/23 School council activity report due October 6: Christy can work on this this week, may be able to have a draft for review at meeting</p> <p>b. Basketball court updates</p> <p>-we are finishing phase 2. Plexipave coat can now be done, but with supply and demand being limited, it is approx. a 1 year wait.</p> <p>c. Fundraisers</p> <p>-clothing sale on the school website</p> <p>d. School council grant (potentially up to \$1000) Uncertain if this is still available</p>		
<p>10. Upcoming events and meetings:</p>		

<p>Two meeting dates set up between the Board of Trustees and School Council Chairs for the 2023/2024 school year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday, November 27, 2023 Monday, March 4, 2024 <p>These meetings are typically held on the 3rd Floor of the St. Basil Catholic Education Centre (620 12 B Street North, Lethbridge) from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. As the dates get closer, an email will be sent with all the meeting details.</p> <p>Chair or vice chair should try to attend though it is difficult with various schedules and commitments and travel conditions.</p> <p>Tuesday November 7, 7pm</p> <p>Tuesday December 5, 7pm</p> <p>Tuesday January 16, 7pm *exceptional date to make up for Christmas holiday</p> <p>February 6, 7pm</p> <p>March 75, 7pm</p> <p>April 9, 7pm *exceptional date to accommodate Easter</p> <p>May 7, 7pm</p> <p>June 4, 7pm</p>		
Meeting adjournment		9:30pm