

St. Charles School Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2024

Attendance: Laurie Bonanni-McGee, Leslie Zydek, Abeer Yaghi, Mimi Fitiwi, Sasha Hennig, Amanda Garcia, Amanda Hansen, Melissa Giacobbo, Temesgen Mebahton, Eman Sousa, Melanie Cardinal, Katie Nassar.

1. Call to Order @ 6:37pm.
2. Approval of Agenda and September 25, 2024 minutes motioned by Amanda Garcia and 2nd by Melissa Giacobbo.
3. Administration Report (attached).
4. Treasurer's Report, no changes (see report from AGM of September 25, 2024).
Abeer Naghi was nominated to become Treasurer by Amanda Garcia and 2nd by Melissa Giacobbo. Position accepted by Abeer Naghi.
5. Next Meeting - November 20, 2024 @ 6:30pm.
6. Adjourned @ 7:28.

St. Charles School Educational Society
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1. Call to Order @ 7:28pm
2. Fundraisers
 - a. Top 5 have been Poinsettias, 50/50, Purdy's, Mothers Day planters and the Casino. Consider swapping Mother's Day planters for a Father's Day from Wilhawk Beef Jerky.
 - b. Shrove Tuesday, look into making them ourselves (perhaps at the community hall), tables from the community hall for our gym. Mrs. McGee to reach out to them.
3. Hot Lunches - New supplier is IHOP.
4. Casino - November 24 and 25th. Volunteer positions filling up well.
5. Motion put forward by Amanda Garcia to buy 2 x \$25 grocery gift cards to be awarded by random draw to all those who complete their casino volunteer shift. 2nd by Amanda Hansen.
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7. Adjourned @ 8:10pm.

President

Date

Secretary

Date

Principal Report October 2, 2024

- Great start up! Enrollment is up-
 - K- 28
 - 1- 51
 - 2- 57
 - 3- 65
 - 4- 42
 - 5- 59
 - 6- 49

School Council*
School Year : 2024/25
September 28, 2024

School Name

St. Charles Elem School

School Year

2024/25

Month

Sept

School Council

	Budget
Division Allocation	\$2,402,256
Fixed Staff Costs	(\$2,328,656)
Other Staff Costs	(\$24,500)
School Revenues	\$106,865
Operating Expenses	(\$188,300)
Ending Balance	(\$32,335)

- Total enrollment 351

Construction- ongoing, small flood the day following our Meet the Staff.
Thanks to Peter for his quick clean up.

Highlights from September-

- Family BBQ- A huge success, Thanks to Don and Gayle from M&M Foods for coming to support us and to our teachers for serving.
- Meet the Staff evening- words shared from our Trustee Sandra Palazzo .great turn out from our families
- School Opening Liturgy/ Grade 4 Bible presentation- Father blessed and distributed along with Sandra. Next liturgy will be for Thanksgiving on Oct. 10 at 9:00 am with Fr. Marc led by grade 3. All are welcome.
- Cross Country Run-over 60 students participated
- Terry Fox Run- great effort from our students, final total in donations- about \$400.00
- Orange Shirt Day observed on the 29th - teachers took time to lead gentle discussions with students. More will be done in the area of Indigenous Education for all students as this is in our TQS and was reported low on our Annual Survey from last year.
- Custodial Appreciation Day today- We are blessed to have Peter and Lori
- Spirit Days and Hot Lunch- Dress inside out and Western theme this Friday
- Wellness Dog- CAAWLS (Chimo Animal Assisted Wellness & Learning Society)- visits weekly- rotating through the classes
- Our school community watches Little Liturgies each Monday to support our faith development. Parents can find these on Youtube.
- Suntwana Sinha- Researcher at the U of A studying our SPACE (sensory, play, autonomy, communication, environment) program

Upcoming for October/ November

- All teachers will have sent out their Newsletters by the end of week. Portfolios will be coming at the end of the month

- Teachers will be getting training on the Matific site and Reading Eggs-tomorrow. Parents can expect the login information soon.
- Student Assembly- honoring Kindness and teaching about Goodness on Friday. Small gifts to be given to each child, 1 student will receive a free bowling party from St. Albert Bowl and Rec Centre
- Reading incentive- names drawn at the November assembly since we just started official reading goals in October.
- We have nutrition practicum students from the U of A starting with us this month coming in to teach about nutrition and wellness.

Mental/ Physical Wellness:

- LEAD RECESS- a group of 12 students will be heading over to St. Francis of Assisi to learn recess games. These student leaders will be teaching recess games to younger students.
- Wellness Champions- Mental Health Student Symposium on Nov. 19 - another opportunity for Student Leadership
- Skating begins Oct 28 grades K-2, 5 sessions
- Volleyball tryouts just ended- Teams will be made this week
- Intramural soccer has started.

Others:

- World Teachers day this Friday Oct. 4
- Read in Week is being planned Oct 7-11,
- Parent Literacy Night with Karen Filewych on October 9, More information out tomorrow.
- Picture Day Oct 8, retakes November 15
- Thanksgiving Liturgy at 9:00 on Oct 10
- Catholic Education Week Oct 19-25, October 19 is Catholic Education Sunday- Hope to see you at St. Charles!- Please send in photos of your child celebrating sacraments.

- Sing for Santa order forms will come out soon.- Watch for information from Ms. Goerz for choir members.
- Halloween- concert by O'Leary Band, classroom parties after recess.
- St. Charles Feast Day/ Student Faith Day- planning has begun.
- This year grade 4 will participate in No Stone Left Alone- Students to lay painted poppies at St. Joachim Cemetery. Fundraising for our veterans for the month of November.
- Sport identity- student voices

Staff PD-

- All Staff will complete 2 Day training on NVCI- Oct 10, Nov. 7
- Nov. 1 PD day- no class, staff pd on writing and EA pd on supporting inclusive strategies.

Staff Wish List-

- 3D printer
- Stage
- Document Cameras
- FM system
- 16 more Chromebooks
- Student Chair bags
- Flexible seating/ furniture