

Racette School Council
Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2024
Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order - 7:00pm

a. Welcome - Prayer and Land Acknowledgement:

*Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy Will be done,
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
Amen*

*I wish to also respectfully
acknowledge that we gather today
on Treaty 6 Territory, a traditional
gathering place for many Indigenous
Peoples both past and present. We
pay our respect to the First Nations
and Metis ancestors of this place and
reaffirm our relationship with one
another.*

- b. Attendance - Justene L, Cindy L, Alma N, Trustee Sylvie Smyl, Principal Andrea Austin, Admin Corinne Pashko**
- c. Teacher Representative - n/a**
- d. Additions to the agenda - STEAM Lab update**
- e. Approval of agenda -**
- f. Review and approval of minutes -**

2. Old Business:

- a. SST - TWB Programming**
 - **There are some anticipated changes to the program's structure in the upcoming year. In the fall, we will better understand how the program will operate in the school.**
- b. STEAM Lab update**
 - **The lab has a lot of items in stock and organized. If there is a need for any other items, an email will be sent out to parents.**

3. Trustee Report -

[meeting highlights](#)

- **St. Paul & District STEAM Society Science Fair - the 4 delegates who will be going to Ottawa shared their projects with the Board**
- **Social Studies curriculum is ready for piloting next school year**
- **Technology Evergreening - the Division is looking to standardize the technology in all schools. This will help to develop consistency and allow for the opportunity to purchase items in bulk at potentially discounted rates.**
- **A Wellness survey was given to students and staff to gain a better understanding of personal wellness in the Division.**

- **Excellence in Catholic Education Award presented to Racette teacher, Raynelle Robinson. A small group of Catholic school teachers attended the SPICE retreat in Kananaskis which included the awards ceremony.**
- **Division Pow Wow is scheduled for May 30 in Frog Lake.**
- **The Division has been informed of an additional decrease in budget funding of approximately \$150 000, bringing the total reduction in funding to \$464 254 for the 2024-2025 school year.**

4. Principal's Report -

Since the April 17,2024 meeting:

- SPAA Badminton was held - won all 3 banners, Multicultural Celebration held on April 26th, Choices program (Gr. 9 students) held May 2nd, Catholic Education Week, Live Differently assembly on May 9th, PATs - part A, Gr. 5 orientation/tours
- Upcoming events: Track & Field - May 21st, Grade 9 Celebration - May 23rd, Division Pow Wow - May 30th, SPAA Track - June 4th, Fine Arts Showcase - June 6th, Final Exams - June 11-20th, Athletic Awards - June 13th, National Indigenous Peoples' Day - June 21, Grade 6 & 7 Field Trips - June 24th

5. New Business

a. Staffing for 24/25 school year

- **The school will have a reduction of staff by 1 teachers and 2 EAs.**

b. Track & Field Concession volunteers

- **Parents who are interested in volunteering in the concession for the day or for a shift are to contact Andrea.**

c. Technology upgrades

- **Our school has been selected by Central Office staff to have its technology upgraded. Over the summer, all Smart Boards will be replaced by large TVs. Teachers will have chromebooks with a stylus for writing on to project onto the TV.**
 - **Technology that is being moved out will be saved for parts as needed in other schools or recycled.**
- **Another cart of chromebooks was purchased for the school from within the budget.**

d. DAC lease - up for renewal

- **Hoping to find a way to add more nutritious meal options to the cafeteria menu.**

e. 2023-2024 Executive positions available - Chair and Secretary

- Are there any nominations or volunteers for these positions?

6. Next Meeting: **October 2024 (date to be determined)**

7. Meeting Adjourned: **7:47 pm**