

**Racette School Council**  
**Meeting Date: Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2024**  
**Time: 7:00 pm**

**1. Call to order - 7:04 pm**

**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.*

- b. Attendance - 5 parents, Principal Andrea Austin, Admin Corinne Pashko**
- c. Teacher Representative - n/a**
- d. Additions to the agenda - 3 additions to New Business**
- e. Approval of agenda -**
- f. Review and approval of minutes -**

**2. Old Business:**

- Condensed version of the Ed Plan will soon be available on the website (more info./pics will be added)

**3. Trustee Report - Trustee Smyl was unable to attend**

**[meeting highlights](#)**

- **Highlights from the November 13 Board meeting were shared.**

**4. Principal's Report -**

- Since the Oct. meeting: We celebrated Catholic Education Week, we have a French Monitor (Jean-Francois Dongho) working in FSL and FI classes, volleyball is over and basketball is starting, Fall break, first report cards went home
  - **Fall Break feedback - the week off was nice, but students were tired leading up to it. Having a few PLC Days to break up the longer chunks of time would help.**
- Upcoming: P/T interviews this Thursday, Book Fair Dec. 2-6th, Fine Arts Showcase Dec. 19th @ 7:30 pm
  - **Parents provided feedback that they appreciate the opportunity to attend the afternoon band rehearsal performance of the Fine Arts Showcase.**

- **Gr 6 students will be writing PATs in ELA, FLA, Math, and Social Studies this year (not Science as it is the first year of implementation of the new curriculum).**

## 5. New Business

- Christmas lunch
  - **The school is looking for parents/grandparents to help with preparing Christmas dinner for the school on December 20.**
- Academic cards
  - **Students will not be receiving the 'perk' cards this year. Staff noticed that students were not making use of the cards and the perks on them.**
- Parent Teacher Interviews
  - **A question was asked if an interview could be in a phone call format as opposed to in-person. Parents and teachers can arrange a phone conversation at any time that a concern arises.**
- Communication
  - **Parents expressed that they feel somewhat disconnected to teachers and the activities in the classroom (particularly gr 6 parents).**
    - **Suggestion - Meet the Staff Night at the beginning of the year**
      - **A suggestion was offered to have the whole school open with teachers in their classrooms so students could tour their parent(s) around. This would also allow an opportunity for teachers to share with parents how their classes operate.**
    - **Suggestion - teachers could share a letter outlining expectations surrounding assignments, homework, communication, etc.**
    - **Suggestion - the Division Innovation & Technology Coach could offer a session for parents about the Google apps that students use at school.**
  - **Sports - parents provided feedback that they would appreciate more direct communication regarding after school sports.**
    - **Suggestion - the school could designate an app to be used by coaches in all sports. Communication on the app would be directly with parents so information is not being passed along with students.**
- **2024-2025 Executive positions available - Chair and Secretary**

Are there any nominations or volunteers for these positions?

6. Next Meeting: **Wednesday, January 22, 2025 @ 7:00 pm**

7. Meeting Adjourned: **8:07 pm**