

Christ the King Catholic Elementary/Junior High School Council and Fundraising Association



15.01.2025

6:30 PM

CTK Staff lounge

2024-2025 Year

School Council executive:

Chair, Alex G.

Vice-Chair, Blair C.

Secretary, Katherine Q.

Treasurer, Leah O.

Fundraising Association executive:

Chair, Ortenzia N. (abs. with regards)

Co-Chair, Alex G.

Secretary, Katherine Q.

Treasurer, Leah O.

Casino Chair, Anna K.

Christ the King staff:

Principal, Kelly Laxdal

Assistant Principals:

- Elizabeth Evaristo

Teacher,

- N. Emsley

Members at Large:

Hakim A, Amy H,
Sangeeta M, Nick M,
Samantha L

Invited Guests:

Patrick Tonita from MLA Heather Sweet's office

School Council

Call to Order at 6:30pm

1) New Business

- a. Approval of last meeting minutes
- b. Alex motion to approve:
- c. Jasmine Second
- d. All in favor: Motion passed

Introductions - Round table introductions and Patrick Tonita from Heather Sweet's office is here to listen about any community concerns and to communicate back to MLA Heather Sweet.

2) Principals Report bulletin

- a. Kelly has communicated the growing concern with the amount of traffic out front of the school and the overall safety concern of the students. Some parents think it is the road design and frustrated parents with traffic pollution resulting in driving erratically. A parent suggested getting a peace officer on a continuous basis. Request Aaron Paquette and Heather Sweet to attend the next meeting to address this ongoing issue.
- b. Kelly and other teachers are noticing food insecurities amongst the students. CTK has been awarded \$15,000 from President's Choice to set up classroom

snack bins. Plan is for the teachers to monitor who is using it the most and if there is a constant need amongst certain students, Choi will step in and discuss food bank connections to support the family.

- c. Open house scheduled for Feb. 6th from 6 to 7 pm. Kindergarten kids are not coming to CTK, until the new school is built in Crystallina Nera. During the open house the admin team will be present to answer questions from the parents and to provide a tour of the school.
- d. Kelly wants the parent council to communicate what they want for the school. What are you hopeful for the school?
 - i. Blair says they are doing an incredible job.
 - ii. Kat says to see more consistency with teachers' attendance, create a homelier and 'feel safe' environment. Kelly agrees as well.
 - iii. Alex wants to see less disruptive students mixed with the students that want to learn. Blair is looking for more mixing of classes. Elizabeth says there is a lot of thought in putting these groups of students together in a class.
 - iv. Sangeeta says she likes the non-athletic clubs, and that the school gives opportunities for all kids including the non-athletic kids to participate in organized groups/clubs. She suggested programs to think of different timing, maybe before school? Kelly says it will depend on the teachers. Kelly agrees with all suggestions
- e. Lumen Christi program registration is open for anyone wanting to attend.
- f. Oct 20th is the city and federal election. CTK school gym will be used for the elections, along with the tables and chairs. No parent is allowed to enter the school during that time.
- g. Feb 3rd pre-registration for next year will open for the students.
 - i. For current enrollment only 127 students are from outside the boundaries.
 - ii. Ending balance for CTK is -\$85 540.
 - iii. New books for grade 1 and grade 2 for reading and take-home resources have been received.
 - iv. Kelly showed graphs for all the grades showing the student numbers and forecasted target numbers.
 - v. Students moving onto high school, can they choose their new location? O'Leary? St Joes? New Catholic High School? Kelly will look into it.

Ideas for events and feedback from the parents:

- a. Parents suggest school/family events such as picnics in the park for families to attend, and back to school clean up.
- b. Parent suggests considering a new photographer for next year's school photos, Lifetouch for student photos.
- c. Parent suggests to Kelly to consider moves within the grades amongst the students.
- d. Parent gives praise to the teacher who did christmas photos in her class for a fundraiser, many students enjoyed it and families appreciated the photos.

3. Closing Comments - Call to close 7:38

Fundraising: Call to Order 7:38

1) New business - Approval of minutes from last meeting

- a. Alex - Move to accept
- b. Kat - Second
- c. All in favor: Motion passed

2) Fundraising Campaign Updates

- a. 234? tickets sold for the meat fundraiser. Suggestions to help sell more tickets - send a flyer home for the raffle, send out another email, Mcconachie page, Cy Becker page, Heather Sweet to post.
- b. Shrove Tuesday - March 5th - Est \$5-6000
 - i) Alex motioned for the school council to cover Shrove Tuesday.
 - ii) Blair - to second
 - iii) All in favor
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- e. Can school council buy the grade 4 bibles -\$3171
 - i) Alex motions to buy bibles.
 - ii) Blair to second

iii) All in favor.

f. Healthy hunger successful - Ihop 253.10, Edo 203.15 Opa \$181.15

g. Casino Update - no update

h. Bank Account Update - Casino \$19,061.97 and Main Account \$26,592.34

3. Next meeting March 18th. Call meeting to close at 8:22pm.