

Our Lady of the Assumption School Council
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, May 15th @ 7pm

Meeting held online

Meeting Link : <http://meet.google.com/muy-eptt-ota>

Attendance:

1. Call to Order and welcome: 7:00, small group of Selestia Jackson, Michelle Dormer, Meghan Calder, Caryn Swark
2. Opening Prayer - Meghan Calder
3. Approval of April meeting minutes:
<https://ola.holyspirit.ab.ca/common/pages/DownloadFileByUrl.aspx?key=AZRVp%2bmxLJXmaYE%2b5aP5BuUwzbX096ZLz2H00FswGHOi1y30vXjM44%2bj4zSDmmFSYcJlioLZje52HiCGE4ELTIwOzZXRKpo%2btwqfLQkumO0oz61hHxPbKPLFgrjQr%2fOYXeUcrAIQ38IKEi%2b68asGr55FMDDZ4MYGTFKIPi9hBMrauW09udPPW1ChE3bl2f2nzUltKTziVSMuOZJPq3ZeUGyBgjEaQ0hag%2bzvxJLAhAU2af0r>

Approved by Michelle and Selestia

4. Trustee Update - Linda Ellefson: unable to attend as she will be in Taber for ASBA (Alberta School Board Association) followed by the Edwin Parr Awards Banquet where they will be honoring first year teachers in zone 6. Our nominee is from St. Francis. Please wish Wade good luck!
 - a. Spiritual Development Day is May 27th
 - b. There are some very successful videos done by the Division to mark catholic education week.
 - c. Remember to submit names for Holy Spirit Stars. We have incredible people and events in our OLA family

Linda away at Edwin Parr awards (award given to “rookie teachers”, each district nominates someone) - Meghan did put forward some people for Holy Spirit Stars this month

5. School Board Brief:
https://cdns5-ss10.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_20670192/File/Board%20&%20Administration/Board%20of%20Trustees/Board%20Meetings/2023%202024/Briefs/April%202024%20Board%20Meeting%20Brief.pdf
6. Financial Report: Deferred to next month.
7. Principal Report:
 - a. IB family night and IB student day

Gearing up for big events Wednesday night and Thursday, large collection of international and multilanguage books

b. June Calendar

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17JvI_pWtYCuqWcuxJyhqGGV7H97gq0Z4/view?usp=sharing

PATs - only social and science

Indigenous peoples day - we will be doing some activities and we will see about taco lunch depending on various people's availability and ability to contribute to the lunch

Selestia asked if we wanted a hot lunch in June - Meghan suggested June 13 but said any day is possible

Student retreat June 10 or maybe June 25? Will leave this to Selestia

c. Fundraising for IB and industry/community partnerships

Meghan added a donation option for IB along the same lines as SFJH having a permalink to canteen cards. Opened two weeks ago and already have close to \$1000 from families

Meghan is also reaching out to other businesses and private companies such as Southland in hopes of partnering financially and for learning

Selestia and Meghan may have some connections?

Selestia asked about SAPDC being in the portable -- Meghan explained that we have empty space available but also the benefit of having SAPDC in the building; discussed challenges of some of the varying classroom sizes

Unknown about splits and class makeups next year. Staffing will stay the same and we expect to have Mrs Baptista back

8. Associate Principal Report:

a. Bottle depot fundraiser

Selestia has not found it to be particularly effective (app \$100 for a year) - suggests maybe a drive, Meghan identified that this could fit nicely with Waste Management

Suggestion to make sure we advertise before the summer and maybe connect again in September

Selestia also mentioned Mable's Lables

Beef jerky was by far the most successful; maybe school council does one in the fall and the school does one in the spring?

9. New Business:

a. What help is needed on Aboriginal Day in June? Do you need any help with serving food? Etc?

b. Sports/Swim day - should we do something for kids? Freezies?

We appreciate all you do! Sports day is best for freezies.

c. Hot lunch/Fundraising update -

i. want to do a June Hot lunch - June 10 or 25?

ii. May 14th Panago Pizza Night

Panago was \$300, not a huge amount but easy -- money adds up and we do better than a lot of bigger schools

- d. Selestia - question about 2 classrooms that are currently being used by SAPDC (professional development group). What benefits does the school receive (if any) by letting them use this space? Do children benefit from this in any way?
 - e.
10. Next Meeting: General feeling that we do not need a meeting in June - question if we want to do a quick meeting in September and the AGM in October? Selestia asked if we were committed to a BBQ and Meghan said no -- lots of different options but an international potluck would be great. Even downsizing to hot dogs from burgers would be fantastic both in terms of cost and effort. Hot dog meal and desserts or salads? Can school council be involved at next week's evening and try to recruit a bit (definitely yes!)
11. Adjournment: 7:44 PM with many many thanks to our small but mighty school council!!!