

**Sister Alphonse Academy School Council - Meeting Minutes**  
**Room 1049, 6:30 pm**  
**Oct. 16, 2019**

**October School Council Meeting Minutes**

***1. Welcome - Chair***

Call to order – 6:30pm

Attendance

Parents: Christine Hoskins, Keri Wilson-Hackett, Nicole Kluthe, Lindsay Martyna, Kim Gansauge, Alicia Bishop, Tom Untergasser, Kristi Rouse, Brandi Aguilar

Regrets - Karla Bergstrom

Jillian Bourgeois - Secretary

Staff: Greg Lamer - Principal

Lisa Kleparchuk - Vice Principal

Marisol Teixeira

Others:

Acknowledgement: Read by Greg Lamer

**The Greater St. Albert Catholic School Board acknowledges that it is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. Kinanâskomitin Manito (Thank you Creator)**

Prayer - Marisol Teixeira

***2. Review of Agenda***

***3. Approval of the Minutes***

***September Meeting minutes - Sept. 11/19***

Motion to approve Minutes of September 11 by Nicole & seconded by Christine

***4. Trustee Report - no trustee today***

***5. Administration Report***

**a.School Update**

-September 30th Enrollment - 172 students

K-29, Gr. 1-24, Gr. 2 - 16, Gr. 3 - 14, Gr. 4 - 19, Gr. 5 -17, Gr. 6 -17, Gr. 7-22, Gr. 8-14

-Class sizes - KAM - 22, KPM -21, Gr. 1-24, Gr. 2/3 - 30, Gr. 4/4-27. Gr. 5/6 -26, Gr. 7 - 22, Gr. 8 - 14

-FTE Teaching Staff - 9.12 FTE

- 1.3 Secretary

- 0.4 Library Tech

- 1.5 EA(1) Kindergarten/1

**\*\*request for contingency/support staff was not approved**

**Past Events**

Opening Liturgy

Volleyball season underway

4-8 Options Began

Running Teams Competed in a number of Events

Terry Fox Run - Nearly \$600 raised

Emergency Procedure Fall Drills Complete

Thanksgiving Liturgy

**Harvest Lunch**

**\*\*going to require a dedicated group of 4-6 parents to help with special lunches**

**COMING UP**

Picture Retakes - Oct. 18/19

Federal Election - Oct. 21/19 - school is a polling station

PTI - Oct. 22 and 23 and Scholastic Book fair

Boston Pizza Hot Lunch - Oct. 24 - need a couple of volunteers

Halloween Family Dance

Institute Day - Nov. 1st PD day

Jr. Volleyball Tournaments

Catholic Education Sunday - Saturday, Nov. 2 @5:00 pm mass SAP

Swimming Lessons begin - Gr. 2/3 - Nov. 6

Remembrance Day Ceremony - Friday, Nov. 8 @9:00 am

Early Dismissal Staff meeting - Friday, Nov. 8 @ 11:45 am

Fall Break - Nov. 11 - 15

**b. Babysitting - cannot offer the babysitting during school council meetings due to insurance concerns.**

**c. Change of November Council Meeting Date**

Administration has requested a change of the November Meeting from Nov. 20 to Nov. 27. This works for Executive how does the rest of Council feel about this? Reason for Change - Principal can not attend on the 20th.

**\*\*council is okay with the change in date - next meeting Nov. 27th**

**d. Christmas Concert Seating**

- limited space for the concerts (fire restrictions limit capacity)
- families will be allotted 4 tickets each
- additional tickets can be requested once the initial distribution is completed.
- Concert is Monday Dec. 16th

**e. Santa Pictures**

- need to set a date - Friday Dec 6th
- Tom will get Santa suit & take the pictures
- will need volunteers including Santa
- could be a small fee \$2-\$5 if fundraising society is established funds

**f. Date for Google - PowerSchool Inservice**

- teachers available to do a PowerSchool Inservice and Power School if interest

- Council indicated any date with enough notice was fine

**g. Faith in our Future** - [Link to survey](#)

\*\*parents are encouraged to read through the information and participate in the survey

\*\*1st public meeting is Oct. 30th

**6. Committee and Chair Reports**

a. Chair Report

- I registered for the ASCA Engagement Opportunity virtual meeting on Nov 23 from 1-4pm. ASCA recommends gathering with members of our own school council to participate. Please let me know if there is anyone who would like to join me at my house. If anyone has specific questions for ASCA or the Minister of Education, then please discuss at SC and I can submit in advance to: [wendyk@albertaschoolcouncils.ca](mailto:wendyk@albertaschoolcouncils.ca).

- Article: "Working with your child's teachers"

<https://www.teachers.ab.ca/News%20Room/The%20Learning%20Team/Volume-23/Number-1/Pages/Working-with-your-childs-teachers.aspx>

Key point: Parents – we are partners in our children's educations.

Request the article link with tips for a successful partnership be shared with all parents.

- b. Alberta has a strong legacy of diversity in education. A UCP government will uphold the established right of parents to choose the education best suited for their children including: public, separate, charter, independent, alternative and home education programs. <https://www.albertastrongandfree.ca/better-education-brighter-future/> Item #10
  - i. In anticipation of the *Choice in Education Act* that is expected to be tabled by Minister LaGrange in the spring of 2020, ASCA is asking for feedback on the following question by Nov 2, 2019.
  - ii. What does "Choice in Education" mean to our School Council? Please discuss at the October 16 SC meeting.
- c. Playground Committee
  - i. final inspection has been done. Mr. Lamer thanked members of the Playground Committee.
- d. Partners in Prayer
  - i. had October meeting, things went well. Next partners in Prayer on Nov. 6
- e. Halloween Dance -
  - i. will need helpers on the 24th - message is on facebook - need set-up, clean up, snack & drink table
- f. Compassionate Friends
  - i. no report
- g. Staff Appreciation
  - i. no report
- h. Volunteer - [sisteralphonseacademyvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:sisteralphonseacademyvolunteer@gmail.com)

- i. Fundraising
  - i. All paper work will be submitted asap, thing are on track for formation of Fundraising Society
  - ii. ideas pointsetta sales for Christmas
  - iii. draw for premium seating for concerts
  - iv. cake auction

#### **8. *Next Month Agenda Items***

***School Results - results are still private and will be shared in November.***

***School Education Plan - These two items will require 40 minutes.***

#### **9. *Meeting Adjournment 7:39pm***

**Motion -**

***Next Meeting*** - Wednesday, Nov. 27th