

VERITAS SCHOOL COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Thursday February 9, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Veritas Staff Room

Attendance-Connie Araujo, Cindy Huff, Richard Klein, Lynn Cooper, Erik Hernes, Flo Sheppard, Tamara Berg, Father James (attending via Zoom), Jeannette Hoornenborg (staff rep)

Opening Prayer-R. Klein

1. **REVIEW PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES** - error in attendance- Absent should have been Connie Araujo not Cindy Araujo —**Motion to adopt the Minutes of January 12, 2023 VSC meeting:** C. Huff/ C. Araujo- passed unanimously

2. **REVIEW AGENDA** -

Motion to adopt the Agenda: Connie Araujo/ C. Huff-passed unanimously

3. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. A/J Roofing-Still trying to contact.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. CISP-G-No response from Council's last letter.

B. Recruitment-We are still looking for more Council members. Father James will follow-up on a few suggestions.

C. Scholarship-R. Klein will visit Caledonia High School to connect with the Scholarship Committee to let them know we want to participate this year.

5. **REPORTS**

A. Maintenance- P. Ramsay and R. Klein will meet to discuss financial strategies to complete objectives from year 1, year 3, and year 5 of the Growth Plan presented by Principal Berg.

B. Staff Report-included with Principal's Report

-Staff rep J. Hoornenborg shared the highlights of the school's activities since the last Council Meeting as well as upcoming events.

C. Principal's Report-report attached-FIO-Principal Berg reminded Council that most staff (except for P. Ramsay, J. Crawley and C. Fassnacht) will be attending the Catholic Educator's Conference in Vancouver later this month.

D. Father James-nothing at this time

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA AT 7:18: F. Sheppard/C. Araujo-passed unanimously

6. **IN CAMERA**

Discussion regarding T. Berg for covering two positions for the first four months of the 2022-2023 school year (T. Berg was excused).

A) DDF Fund

B) Communication-No response from C. Dugdale in regards to our last communication.

-R. Klein, E. Hernes, and T. Berg participated (via Zoom) in a CISP-G budget discussion.

-Principal Berg shared information on her Recruitment Trip to Nova Scotia.

C) Financial Report-

-Budget-reviewed by E. Hernes

-When completing the 2023-2024 Budget, Council will need to consider the large increase received by teachers in the public school system as well as the very small increase in MOE grants per student to independent schools

-Monthly finances-reviewed by E. Hernes

. -Delinquent Accounts-Discussion regarding six delinquent accounts occurred and T. Berg will follow up with action agreed by Council.

-Long term planning-

-Tuition Assistance Requests - one request motioned: C. Huff/ C. Araujo-passed unanimously

-Student and Family Affordability/ Assistance Grant -Applications will be reviewed

D) Salaries BCTF/Tuition 2023-2024

Motion to increase Tuition Fees for single student families by \$10/month, two student families by \$15 /month and three or more student families by \$20/month for the 2023-2024 school year: F. Sheppard/ E. Hernes-passed unanimously

E) Family Applications-

NEXT MEETINGS—Thursday March 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

MOTION OUT BY F. Sheppard/ C. Huff. Time: 8:30

CLOSING PRAYER—Father James

Chairperson's Signature:

Date: