Blessed Sacrament Parent Council Meeting Minutes October 19th, 2023

<u>Attendees (Online)</u>: Mr. Finochio, Sarah Kloepfer, Erin Smith, Kailey Keresturi, Paula Purvis, Marcia Cronkwright, Lisa Henrique, Ashley Kloepfer, Melissa Magda, Danielle Langs, Nancy Spierenburg, Alisha Peters, Zoey Heltner, Alicia Givens, Sarah Schultz, Gerberich Vandenberg, Simona Albu

Regrets: Courtney Montgomery, Jessica VanDyk, Victoria Laurie, Crystal Zdriluk

Welcome, land acknowledgment and opening prayer

Approval of previous minutes (September 2023). Mr. Finochio motioned, Lisa seconded.

Principal's Report:

Students have really enjoyed having the basketball coach. He is set to come in two more times. The Halloween dance is being advertised on the school announcements each day. The Halloween walk is set to go during the day on October 31st. Cross Country meet is set for this coming Tuesday. Chocolate bar campaign went very well. School had to order more boxes. Progress reports go home November 6th.

Discussion Topics:

<u>Halloween Dance</u>: 23 families have RSVP'd so far. This is down from last year but hoping to get more confirmed numbers over the weekend. The Church hall has been booked vs using our school gym this year. Ashley is getting \$30 worth of prizes again this year. Water and chips will be sold at the event. Ashley requested for some more Halloween decorations or \$ towards more. Many council members offered to donate some décor they have at home. Discussed increasing the price per pizza slice for next year. It is set for \$1.25, but consensus is we should increase next time.

<u>Christmas Fundraiser</u>: Advertising for this fundraiser is all set to go out starting October 30th. We will run it until November 20th. Costs will remain the same as last year. We will be offering two pickup dates at the school this year (Nov. 27th and Dec. 6th) vs pickups at Miles Flowers. Times TBD.

<u>Christmas Lunch</u>: The date has been made for December 20th. Greenwoods will be doing the turkey and stuffing. Cost went up a bit from last year from \$6.25 to \$7/lb. We are at 267 students and 29 staff. Dan Dignard and Father will also have invites. Erin and Kailey looking into getting potatoes donated. Some offers to donate potatoes have already come in from our council members. Council will peel and make mashed potatoes this year. Many council members already confirmed they can help for this task.

Dietary restrictions will be acknowledged. Cost to families TBD. There will still be the option on schoolcashonline to add extra donations. No child will go without a meal.

<u>Spirit Wear:</u> Mr. Finochio will take a look at the website shared with him and will report back at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: November 15th at 6pm