

# St. James the Apostle

## Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 20, 2014

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### Agenda:

- School Organization
- School Improvement
- Financial report
- Yearbook
- Fundraising—World's Finest Presentation
- Pilgrimage/Cross Country/Move-a-thon/Food Drive/Flag Football
- Parents Reaching Out Grant/Parent Involvement Grant/RBC Grant
- Kobe Pants
- School Cash Payment Option
- Parent Conference
- Confirm next meeting

### Attendees

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Alex Alves, Claudine Andrews, Christine Bianco, Debbie Buote, Matthew Clark, Rose Destro, Kelly Levesque, Christine Moniz, Angie Neglia

### Minutes

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- 1. Approval of last meeting minutes**
  - Community Rep still needs to be filled
  - Change Natalie Alves to "mother name" to Jaime Alves (councilor)
- 2. School Organization**
  - 164 (gone up 3 students)
- 3. School Improvement**
  - met twice, how to improve things in the school and classroom
  - November 6, 2014 Mr. Hubbard will be coming to school to see how improvements are going
- 4. Financial Report**
  - \$2,010 Milk, wrote cheque for \$352.05
  - \$598 Move-a-thon
  - \$280 Pita Pit, wrote cheque \$260
  - \$3,234 Pizza, wrote cheques \$1,165.14
- 5. Yearbook**
  - \$5 per yearbook, looking at doing the same

6. **Fundraiser**
  - World's Finest Chocolate--\$90 per box, \$45 back to the school
  - Every box sold student gets a chocolate bunny and entered into a draw
  - Voted for doing **chocolates as Major Fundraiser**
  
  - **Minor Fundraiser**
    - "Fund Scrip"—buy gift cards, [www.fundscrip.com](http://www.fundscrip.com)
    - can run from Sept-June
    - 2-10% return to the school
    - to be looked into for next year
  
  - **In December—Family Fun Day**
    - decorate a classroom door—monetary donation or can goods (optional)
    - chosen to be a minor fundraiser
  
  - Charity suggestions—Holy childhood Society, Good Shepherd, MacDonald House, Cancer Society
  
7. **Pilgrimage**
  - 8 km walked to raise money
  
8. **Cross Country Meet**
  - 3 first places, all students did very well
  
9. **Move-A-Thon**
  - October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014 Monster Mash
  
10. **Food Drive**
  - Collecting canned food
  
11. **Flag Football**
  - won many games
  
12. **School Grants**
  - \$1,000 Parent Reaching Out
  - \$500 Parent Involvement
  - \$500 RBC/Mrs. Destro
  
13. **Kobe Pants**
  - Will be phased out as of next year per School Board decision
  
14. **School Cash Online Payment**
  - Online payment option for St. James effective November
  - Flyer and a note will be going home to inform parents
  
15. **Parent Conference**
  - November 1, 2014, starts 8:30 a.m. @ Bishop Ryan High School
  - Theme "Weaving the Catholic Partnership"
  - St. James Council will donate to this event, \$20 donation
  
16. **Lock Down**
  - October 28, 2014
  - Hamilton Police will be present to ensure the school is doing everything safe

**17. Police Check**

- \$25 Charge with a school letter
- Christine Bianco suggested parents be charged less to volunteer on school trips
- Suggested can the school cover some of the cost for police checks?

**18. Used Uniforms**

- If anyone needs uniform pieces parents are to call the office first

**19. Next Meeting**

- November 24, 2014 @ 6:45 p.m.