

J.J.N. School Council Meeting Agenda May 10th, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

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Vacant, Chair, Vacant
Beinta Hansen-Wong, Secretary
Kaitlyn Boyko, President F&F
Lydia Yeomans, Trustee
Grace Kully, Partners in Prayer
Ashley Dascavich, Compassionate Friends
Janessa Ferris, Jen Boucher, and Daryn Ferris, Major Projects Committee
Gage Atkinson, Yearbook
Marina Lotoski, Principal
Darren Skalski, Vice Principal

1. Call to Order at 6:32 pm.

2. Attendance: Ashley Dascavich, Marina Lotoski, Darren Skalski, and Beinta Hansen-Wong.

3. Welcome and Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the Homeland of the Métis Nation. We acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration. Kinanâskomitin, Manito (Thank you, Creator).

4. Prayer (Grace Kully)

5. Appoint a member of the executive to lead the S.C. Meeting (Principal)

Ashley Dascavich appointed Interim Chair at the February meeting; She will maintain this role until the September Meeting.

6. Adoption of Agenda (vote)

We do not have enough members to vote so we will carry this forward to September.

7. Review & Adoption of the Minutes from April 19, 2023 meeting

We do not have enough members to vote so we will also carry this forward to September.

8. Administration Report

See attached admin report.

More information to come for the Recreation Academy hopefully by end of May/beginning of June.

9. Trustee Report

10. Chairperson Report (No report)

11. Families and Friends Report

See Attached Families and Friends Report.

12. Old Business

- a. ASCA sessions for School Council and Families and Friends of JJN - We hope to have a date set in later May or June.

13. Committee Reports

- a. Yearbook

Gage will be retiring this year. Roland will be taking over this committee.

- b. Compassionate Friends

We are currently serving 3 different families in need.

- c. Partners in Prayer

Nothing to report.

- d. Major Projects Committee - Playground

See attached Major Projects Committee.

14. New Business

15. Next meeting: AGM/Elections

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 (due to a school event planned for Sept. 20 p.m.)

16. Adjournment at 6:55pm.

JJN Administration School Council Report: Marina Lotoski

May 10, 2023



Let's Go Oilers!

<p><i>Thank You</i></p> <p><i>For everything you have done...</i></p> <p><i>And continue to do for the school</i></p>	<p>THANK YOU</p> <p><i>It's just two simple words which are often under-rated but it's always nice to be appreciated. So to you we say, "thank you very much." And hope you always know it that although we don't show it you are appreciated very much.</i></p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY: (The Month of Mary)

- 15 - last day for students to bring pledge money to school
- 15 - 19 - Catholic Education Week
- 17 - Catholic Education Week - wear blue
- 17 - [Gr. 6 PATs: ELA-Part A](#)
- 17 - Word-a-thon Assembly (p.m.)
- 18 - JJN Spirit Wear Day
- Word-a-thon Reward Day
- 18 -Subway hot lunch day
- 19 - NO SCHOOL - PD Day
- 22 - NO SCHOOL - Victoria Day
- 25 - Class photo day
- 25 - Booster Juice snack day
- 25 - JJN Families & Friends meeting - 11:00 am
- 26 - JJN Spirit Wear Day
- 29 - June 2 - Alien In-line Skating

Word-a-thon: fundraiser for the playground (organised by JJN F & F)

May 15: last day for students to bring pledge money to school

May 16: F&F and playground committee to sort and total funds raised

May 17: PM: Assembly announcing all the prizes and winners

May 18 Reward Day - the rewards would be tied to the funds raised (\$1500 - Free Recess, \$2500 - Free Block, \$5000 - Dance Party)

Recreation Academy

We are excited with the interest in our upcoming Recreation (Rec.) Academy program. To date, we have enough students to create 2 groups. We are working on building a third group; if we reach our number we will inform parents who have submitted their registration that a third group is created or that your child will be placed on a wait list in hopes that our number allows us to create a third group in the upcoming months. Students who do not participate in the Recreation Academy will participate in Physical Education and engaging option classes during this time.

Elder Visit:

Hazel McKennitt, a local Anishinaabe elder, joined our grade one to six classes to share her culture and teachings. In her conversation with students she talked about "The Seven Teachings" and how they are values to guide one in living a good life.

School Wide Expectations and Dare to Care

Dare to Care is a bully prevention program that Mrs. Lotoski and Mr. Skalski lead with all of our grade one to six students.

- Please see the attached document for a summary of topics covered in this program - [see below](#)
- Parents have access to view online program modules to learn the terminology and ways you can support your child. Click on this link for login directions - [see below](#)

School Wide Expectations and Dare to Care

In line with working toward "*Echoing our Spirit*", Mrs. Lotoski and Mr. Skalski started weekly meetings with all our grade one to six students. We gather together to review our **school wide expectations** in all areas of the school, and to engage in a program called **Dare to Care**.

Dare to Care is a bully prevention program to help students, staff and parents learn about and discuss ways they can have an impact on bully behaviour.

Topics covered in the Dare to Care program include:

Gr. 1 & 2

I. The Importance of Being Kind and Bullying Behaviour vs Buddy

Behaviour (3 lessons)

II. Bullying vs Conflict/Mean Moments (4)

III. Discrimination (2)

IV. Broken Heart Activity: The Impact of Bullying (5)

V. Tatting vs Asking for Help (5)

VI. Standing Up for Yourself and Others (5)

VII. How to Stop Bullying! Examples & Best Solutions (for Students) (1)

Gr. 3 & 4

I. Positivity Meter and Types of Bullying (6 lessons)

II. Definition of Bullying/Conflict vs Bullying (6)

III. Why Bullying Exists: Silent Majority vs Caring Majority (3)

IV. Discrimination and Racism (2)

V. Cyberbullying (6)

VI. The Imbalance of Power: Tug of War (5)

JJN Admin. Report: Marina Lotoski (April 19, 2023)

VII. Tool Belt of Skills (6 non-reactive life skills) (12)

VIII. Practicing the Tool Belt of Skills and Wrap up (5)

Gr. 5 & 6

I. Kindness Meter and Finding Your Greatness (4 lessons)

II. Types of Bullying (2)

III. Definition of Bullying (4)

IV. Why Bullying Exists: Silent Majority vs Caring Majority (3)

V. Discrimination and Racism (3)

VI. Cyberbullying (6)

VII. The Imbalance of Power: Tug of War (5)

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Dare to Care 22/23

Parent Module Login Directions

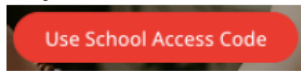
To access the parent modules:

Step one: Click here -

<https://daretocare.thinkific.com/pages/all-packages-and-courses>

Step two: scroll down and choose “parent course” or click here - <https://daretocare.thinkific.com/courses/parent-course>

Step three: Click:



Step four: Click “Have a school access code?”

Complete purchase to start learning



Parent Course \$350.00

[Have a school access code?](#)



Total CAD **\$350.00**

Need help placing your order? [Contact us](#)

Step five:

Enter in the school access code: **dtocjjnearing**

Step six:

Enter in your email, first and last name

Step seven:

Create your own password and enter in your school's name

F&F of JJN UPDATE - MAY 2023

Our bank balance is \$11,409.49 with \$10,491 earmarked for math games, iPads/Chromebooks, FitSet Ninja and Playground Committee, leaving us with a total of \$918.11. We are waiting for April's Healthy Hunger payment of \$1,452.90.

Next week we will collect and tally the Word-A-Thon funds together with the playground committee. The students will have their reward day corresponding to the amount raised. We did not have a meeting in April as we didn't have anything to discuss, and will have our next meeting May 25 at 2pm.

Playground Committee Report May 2023

Playground Committee is going forward with getting some digital renditions of our new park we are fundraising for. We are going to be asking 3 different companies to provide 3 estimates and their ideas. We briefly chatted with Marina to discuss the playground size and decided that we will expand our playground from its current L shape to become more of a U shape and expand into the field a bit. Jen is working on our website for PC so that we can have a visual for any parents, sponsors and students looking for information. F&F has been so great to work with this year and they have donated \$1000 to account to start our fundraising efforts and put together a Purdy's fundraiser to benefit the playground. Currently, a Word-A-Thon is happening with proceeds going to playground. Our current balance is \$1816.38. Thanks F&F!!

We have decided we will try and fundraise enough to put in our first application September 2024 as it takes 8 months for it to be approved.