

**Friends of Mother Teresa Catholic School (FOMTCS)**  
**Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 7:00 pm – School Library**  
**MINUTES**

**In Attendance:** Mr. Fradette, Mr. Rock, Jena Boyko, Crystal Bernier, Jolene Morris, Krista Dennis, David Sumner, Rachelle Phenix, Mehwish Sehgal, Koreena Farr, Michelle Hinz, Amanda Day, Polyana Ortega, Juanita Theriault

**Regrets:** Linnea Spiess, Crystal Nataraj, Lori Sander, Osaretin Giegbefumuem, Danielle Daigneau

1. **Call to Order:** 7:44pm
2. **Approval of Agenda:**
  - a. **MOTION** to approve agenda: Rachelle
  - b. **SECONDED** by: Koreena
3. **Adopt Minutes from February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
  - a. **MOTION** to approve agenda: Crystal
  - b. **SECONDED** by: Koreena
4. **Executive Reports**
  - a. **Chair/Co-chair:** N/A
  - b. **Treasurer:** The outstanding deposit is now in the bank account from the movie night in November and the hot dog lunch (\$2,036). There are new procedures for the cashbox, and for deposits. Will require 2 people to count the money, and the money will stay at the school locked up until it is deposited.
    - **MOTION by Krista:** To accept the treasurer's report as presented.
    - **SECONDED by:** Crystal
    - **VOTE:** All in favour.
  - c. **Secretary:** N/A
5. **Old/New Business:**
  - a. **Playground Committee Update:**
    - Good news: We'll be able to add around \$10,000 on the thermometer – we're at around \$74,000 earmarked for the project.
    - Bad news: The vendor lost the licensing for the climbing hub that we had planned to order. First option is to order this equipment in the next week and place it in storage. Second option is to order from the new company with the licensing (Parkcraft). Third option is to go with a new Canadian company called Jambette. The advantage is that because it is a Canadian company, there are not the same steel surcharges etc. We would save around \$7000 on the climber with this company. The advantage to staying with the first company is that they will give us a discount for a switching to a new climber. The equivalent from Jambette is called the Volte – 40 kids can climb on it at the same time. Rachelle presented several different design options.
    - The Volte with some additions is \$47,500 – but this does not include freight, tax, or installation. Installation is around 40% of the costs.

- We did have an agreement signed with PlayWorks in exchange for a grant writer, but this did not work out. Rachelle said PlayWorks has not directly responded to this, but feels they should be agreeable to breaking the contract without a penalty.
- Question whether we can involve the Silverspring school in fundraising. The SCA has agreed to be involved and advertise our fundraiser events.
- Rachelle will get an updated quote from Jambette and see how close we can get to the \$74,000 we currently have.

**b. Bingo Update – March 31:**

- We'll make it work with what we have in terms of prizes. We previously had a motion to get an X-box. Now wondering if we'll maybe have to get a tablet as well.
- Krista says that we would literally take anything for donations, and are not limited only to the prize packages requested. The deadline for prizes is this Friday, although would accept prizes past this.
- Krista will update the request list to focus on certain areas. She will redistribute the updated list.
- If the Hope Club or the grade 8 class can do the gym set-up in the afternoon, that would be appreciated.
- Will project the bingo numbers somehow in the gym.
- Still looking for some volunteers for the concession and for selling bingo cards.
- Rachelle hung posters all around the school to advertise to the students.
- Mr. Rock will also change the sign in front of the school tomorrow to advertise.
- Darren will do a bingo in the school that afternoon to generate interest.
- Suggested that it would be a good idea if the teachers sent something out through Edsby as well.

**c. Burger Case Sale:**

- Can perhaps announce this during the bingo.
- Can also include a case of burgers as a part of the BBQ prize package for the bingo night. 😊
- We paid \$46 per case and there are about 13 cases.
- The remaining hotdogs can be used for the track and field day.

**d. Track and Field Day Hot Dog Lunch:**

- Tentative date is May 18. Will confirm the number of hotdogs we have left, and the number of parents available to volunteer before we proceed.

**e. Coin War - June:**

- This was very popular with the students last year (Juanita's idea!), and hoping to do this again. Seb said the pie in the face worked really well, and it would be great to do this at Tiger Idol again. Raised around \$700 in coins from this last year.

**6. Next Meeting: Monday, April 20, 2023 7:00 pm**

**7. Adjournment: 8:37 pm**