

Sir Edgar Bauer Catholic School Advisory Council Annual Report for the 2022/23 School Year

Dear Parents and School Community:

Welcome back! We hope you had an amazing summer.

The Sir Edgar Bauer Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) had an engaging and productive year. Seven (7) meetings were held throughout the school year on the following dates; September 20 2022, October 13 2022, November 17 2022, January 19 2023, February 16 2023, April 13 2023, and May 18 2023. These meetings were open to the public to encourage input from parents and other members of the school community to inform our discussions of the various issues considered. Council focused on various priorities during the school year, primarily related to school community engagement.

The purpose of the school council is to improve pupil achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents, through the active participation of parents. School councils are advisory organizations. A school council's primary means of achieving its purpose is by making recommendations to the principal of the school and the school board. Boards and principals are responsible to consider recommendations made by each school council and advise the council(s) of the actions taken in response to the recommendations. In addition council is a resource for the school and parents if they are looking for advice on issues.

Additional achievements of the school council in 2022/23 included:

- Meet the Teacher night
- Spook-a-thon Halloween dance party fundraiser
- Shrove Tuesday school pancake breakfast
- Year-end Sir Edgar Bauer family picnic and scavenger hunt

Fundraising activities were conducted and the proceeds were used to fund projects in accordance with school board policies. These fundraising activities are itemized, summarized and attached. Minutes of meetings held and financial records are available on the school website under the 'School Council' tab.

We wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the many individuals who volunteered their time to contribute to the success of the school council last year. Special thanks are due to 2022/23 school council members Cheryl Beaupre, Bianca Prince Bechtel, Natalie Ferrier, Karl Herod, Linda Hayes, Tanya Hunter, Lanette Kym, Jelena Loncar-Vines, Cathy McDonald-Reis, Krista Mooney, Haja Nabie, Dave Rozek, Melissa Skanes, Eric Thuss, Kani Uhuotu, Doreen Weise, and Mary-Lynn Wettlaufer.

Finally, we would like to wish the best of luck to candidates in the September school council elections. If you are interested in any of the elected positions on council, or would like to participate in council in a non-elected role, please attend the first council meeting on Thursday September 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm. If you are unable to attend the first meeting, or would like more information about council or the duties of the elected council positions, send an email to seb.csac@gmail.com.

Initiatives which we foresee as being important matters for the consideration of the new school council following the September elections include how to best assist the diverse needs of the school with both English and French grades, how to encourage fresh parents into the school as volunteers, how to best communicate with parents, and how to strengthen the engagement of the community in the learning process.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Beaupre & Eric Thuss

Sir Edgar Bauer Catholic School			
2022-2023 Statement of Income, Expense, and Cash Balances			
As of June 30, 2023			
Source of Funds			2022/23 Actual
	Spook-a-thon fundraiser		\$4,969.03
	Parent Involvement Committee grant		\$500.00
		Total Income	\$5,469.03
Initiatives			
	Meet the Teacher night		\$387.30
	Classroom games/activities contribution		\$4000.00
	Sir Edgar Bauer family fund contribution		\$425.00
	Shrove Tuesday pancake breakfast		\$393.92
	Grade 8 graduation contribution		\$320.00
	Year-end SEB family picnic		\$420.61
		Total Expenditures	\$5,946.83
Net use of funds			-\$477.80
Opening cash balance			\$2,564.97
Cash available for use			\$2,087.17