



Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – June 6, 2019

In Attendance

1	Michael Starr	Principal
2	Jason Shanon	Vice Principal
3	Christian Cepeda	Co-Chair (Parent)
4	Erik Dela Cruz	Co-Chair (Parent) / OAPCE Representative
5	Raechelle Fernandes	Council Member (Parent)
6	Gaby Ball	Council Member (Parent)
7	Nicole Florecki-Jarwan	Council Member (Parent)
8	Stephanie Bressette	Council Member (Parent)
9	Christine Prentice	Council Member (Parent)
10	Bonnie Wiltshire	Council Member (Parent)
11	Nikola Blair	Council Member (Parent)
12	Celeste Celec	Council Member (Parent)
13	Amber Lopes	Council Member (Parent)
14	Melissa D'onofrio	Council Member (Parent)
15	Florian Rego	Council Member (Parent)
16	Nicole Florecki	Council Member (Parent)
17	Kerstin Ash	Council Member (Parent)

1. Welcome & Opening Prayer

Catholic School Council Prayer – Christian Cepeda

- God, the source of every good gift
You have called together as servants to do your will
Grant us the light of Your Spirit
To guide us in our responsibilities as a School Council

May we work together in harmony for the common good
May we listen to one another in a spirit of genuine respect
May we encourage and reverence one another's unique talents
May we use the gifts of the Holy Spirit in creative Christian leadership
May we approach our decision-making through discernment and prayer
May we respond effectively to the needs of the children in our care

God of Love,
You give us the gifts of the Holy Spirit for the common good
May Your blessings radiate from us to others in a new spirit of service
We ask this through Jesus Christ the Light of the World.

Amen

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

May 23rd, 2019

- Bonnie motioned to accept, Nikola seconded by – **ALL in favour**

3. Administrator's Report (March 29, 2019 – May 23, 2019) Achieving, Believing, Belonging

Achieving

- 1) Rise n' Shine Reading program
- 2) Math UP
- 3) Mathematics Monitoring and Learning Project gr. 1-6
- 4) Building Thinking Classrooms gr. 7-8
- 5) Administration meeting
- 6) Vice Principal Mentorship
- 7) Special Education Resource Teacher Family of Schools Meetings
- 8) Student Success Meetings
- 9) Board Team Meeting
- 10) Family of Schools Special Education Meeting
- 11) Grade 1/7 Reading Program
- 12) Leveled Literacy Intervention for primary student
- 13) Meetings with administration and grade teachers to create class lists

Believing

- 1) Gr. 3 Trip to Once on an Island
- 2) Gr. 5 Trip to Living Arts Centre
- 3) JV Youth Rally – gr. 8
- 4) Room 103 Trip to Science Centre
- 5) Adult Faith Formation Sessions (various teachers attended different sessions)
- 6) Catholic Learning Community Division Meetings
- 7) Year End Mass

Belonging

- 1) Lego Creations
- 2) Intramurals for grade 3 and 6
- 3) Lego club
- 4) PALS
- 5) Boys and Girls senior soccer
- 6) Boys and Girls softball
- 7) Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
- 8) Art workshop for Senior English Language Learners
- 9) Basket Drive Donations

1. LunchBox Update- M. Starr

- Mr. Starr shared the current providers
- Thoughts on current providers –
- Celeste – Did we generate enough funds? What is most popular out there?
- Mr. Starr – We can ask them what is most popular and even seek out new vendors
- - We are a large school so our fundraising is higher this year
- Nikola – Eastside Marios is cold. Could we
- - Last year we brought in this option as a healthier option. Salads and Pita Pit were options that were brought in this year.
- Mr. Starr – Pizza Pizza is the most popular
- Kerstin – Hero Burger was dropped last year because of the size of the burger and the options were limited. Lunch Pails, Pita Pit and Pizza have remained consistent
- Mr. Starr – Pita Pit and Pizza and are most popular. Paramount Fine Foods are another option (listed items), price point is on the higher end of pricing?
- Kerstin – What is the mark-up?
- Mr. Starr – 0.50 cents per item roughly.
- Floriana – Swiss Chalet is not easy for the younger students.
- Nicole Florecki –Jarwan – East Side Mario's is too expensive
- Celeste – Figure out the least popular and swap it out.
- Nicole F/J – LunchPails is best option
- Mr. Starr – Chorizo is another option Chicken Burrito, Taco. This might be an option to consider
- Bonnie – We should consider the options that are diverse.
- Nikola – Lets keep in mind the options that are larger enough in propotion

2. Career Week Update – J. Shannon

- 18 volunteers
- Takes place June 18-20 for Grade 7 students
- Thank you to parent community
- Great diversity in the careers and individuals that are presenting.

3. Kicks for Kids – K. Male

- A bit of background, Kicks For Kids was chosen (by parent council, through an RFP process) to come in to the school on Friday afternoons immediately after school, starting in the fall of 2017. The original (and still) premise was to help families like mine, and many others at the school, who want access to after school activities, but because of work hours, long commutes, and other family commitments, are challenged in this respect.

- The 10-week program is intended to be an introduction to Taekwondo and has reached a number of students who have subsequently enrolled in the full program at the K4K studio (others have gone on to other martial arts programs that better suited their needs).
- It is run completely by K4K (with coordination with the school to assemble the children) and parents pay for their children to participate (no school funding or subsidy whatsoever). K4K rents the gym through the school board (including insurance), provides all of the instructors and collects all of the fees independently. The cost to parents is at a significant discount to the in-studio classes.
- Parent feedback has been quite positive on the program.
- Diversify the program? Can it be adapted to returning students?
- Mr. Starr – Similar to other program we want to run – Lego Creations, Lego Robotics, etc.
- Little Jammers is another program that is available. The other challenge is the space.

4. Family Fun Night – L. Atendido / J. Foster

- Thank you for crew that was here assembling baskets -
- Mr. Starr has hired Party Perfect - facepainters, balloon animal maker, games, inflatable basketball, plasma cars, events.....
- Cotton Candy – Can we pre-make some? It was very difficult last year? Gaby has volunteered to help out at 3:00pm
- Nikola – The Champion will be here (Nicky) she will approve all photos. Milton FM will share the information, Milton Snap will come as well if we reach out to them. Media Release. Food Trucks are confirmed.
- Floriana – Can we order the street blockers? Amber has volunteered to ask the city.
- Mr. Starr mentioned that the emergency
- Reminders to bring lawn chairs

5. Year in Review and Future Considerations

- Clubs, Committees and Activities – Shannon
- Shared the list of events
- Mr. Starr – our process in September is to promote to staff how these clubs and activities make our school a place to be. If students are engaged then we want to
- Nicole Florecki-Jarwan – Sports for younger teams.
- Mr. Starr – the board sanctions certain activities or criteria
- Nikola – **Sports Day? Take time to challenge classes to participate in a day of sports with other students.** Kerstin seconds the idea of Sports Day
- Christine – Intramurals are great but
- Bonnie – Math Club after school? Or Morning Club for reading.
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- Council Process and Volunteer Recruitment – Starr

- Council packages will be available on September 4th. Due Back by September 20th. First Council Meeting
- Floriana – Flyer for Volunteering, What do we need to include?
- Mr. Starr: Contact info, Dates of Availability and Police Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening
- Mr. Starr gave dates for Curriculum Night.
- Gaby – provided directions on how people can acquire their screening.
- Mr. Starr: Committee Structure for next year – Community building committee for example, or other ideas.
- Stephanie Bressette – weve done it in the past we just have to be careful of numbers
- Melissa D’Onofrio – Outdoor Movie Night? Can we consider this for next year instead of indoor movie night.
- Fundraising and Goal Setting – We need to carefully look at our budgets for next year at our first Council meeting in September.
- Nikola – With our changes in government, we need to figure out what we can do with our school money next year.
- Back to School BBQ – September 12th.
- Nikola: We have a lot of Food Trucks that are interested in attending.

OTHER ITEMS:

- Stephanie Bressette Do we need to revisit the uniform conversation from last meeting?
- Mr. Starr: With a greater number of members present today, we can continue last meetings conversations and conduct a formal discussion here and determine whether we feel that we need to share this decision with the greater school community or move forward with status quo of uniforms at Queen of Heaven.
- Amber – All for uniforms!
- Christian – All for uniforms. But through the council of Chairs we should determine if a change in vendor can be provided.
- Mr. Starr – Three times a year, the HCDSB holds a Council of Chairs meeting where all Committee chairs meet with Director, Trustees. We could bring it about at that place and time.
- Kerstin – Cadence for the HCDSB to re-address the vendor? When is the board tender up for renegotiation?
- Mr. Starr will look into that question.

6. Adjournment & Next Meeting

- Mr. Starr wants to express his appreciation for the commitment of the school community. Thank you for all of the work we do, you do. Thank you for your partnership.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm
- Next meeting will take place Thursday, September 26th at 6:30pm. Application packages will be distributed during the first week of September.

