

## **Minutes of the St. Andrew Catholic School Council**

**Date:** March 22, 2017  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Location:** Library, St. Andrew Catholic School  
**In Attendance:** Stephany Balogh, Lynne Bucik, Susan English, Elisabeth Michienzi, Kelly Williams, Emilia DeSimone, Julia Yoo, , Marion Bastiampillai, Tracy Rego Mary Soler, Kelly Stephens, Kelly Williams (VP) Catherine Frost  
**Regrets:** Nancy Harrison, Christine Krueger

### **Welcome**

The meeting commenced with greetings, Kelly W. (VP) led the opening prayer and Lenten reflection.

### **Approval of Agenda:**

A motion for approval of the agenda was put forth by Elisabeth M.; second by Emilia D.; motion carried unanimously

### **Approval of Minutes from January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Meeting:**

The meeting minutes from Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017 were reviewed and accepted as presented. A motion for approval of the minutes from Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, was put forth by Susan E. second by Emilia D.; motion carried unanimously.

### **Business Arising from Last Meeting**

#### a) BBQ Update - June 8 '17

A BBQ committee meeting took place prior to Parent council from 5:30-6:30 p.m., and Susan E. explained that great progress was made on some decisions moving forward.

- i. Food and Main Event-both booked. Kelly W. advised that some changes were made to the activities chosen with Main Event. Elisabeth M. to touch base with BBQ Bros. to inquire on next steps, if any, at this point.
- ii. Meeting for BBQ committee to be held at 5:30 p.m. prior to the next Parent council meeting on Apr. 26'17

#### b) Community Events/Parent Engagement

- i. Stephany B. advised that both earlier events Zumba (Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>) and Active Chefs (Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>) were well attended.
- ii. Also, due to popular demand, a second session has been added to Drumfit on Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>, -there will be 2 sessions in 1 evening to accommodate all of the attendees.

#### c) School Improvement Plan

Stephany B. relayed the changes that have occurred with the School Improvement Plan, which has evolved through changes to the template, into being a working document and a 3 year plan. The plan will be submitted to the board on Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>, once approved, it will be posted on the St. Andrew school website.

#### d) Council of Chairs:

Both Susan E. and Kelly W. (VP) attended on Feb. 26, and provided a brief overview regarding the keynote speaker David Bouchard who presented his views on learning about 1<sup>st</sup> Nations People

### **Selection Criteria for School Principal:**

Sue. E provided an update regarding our submission of Selection Criteria for School Principal which is required by each parent council. Our submissions were amalgamated and condensed to our overall ranking of criteria and submitted to the Board by the Feb. 10 deadline.

### **Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) Update**

Sue E. advised council about the 10 meetings of public consultation she has attended at the various affected schools.

- a) Option 1 is final recommendation to consolidate Holy Family, St. John and St. Michael into 1 new school on the current St. Michael's property was approved to move forward. This option result in no changes to St. Andrew programs. This option also requires school board funding.
- b) Option 2 involves changes combining St. Michael's and St. John's into the current St. Michaels' school and in 20120 moving Holy Family to St. Marguerite (which would require a 4 class renovation)

Funding to be approved in May 2017.

See HCSDB for more information.

### **Financial Update**

#### **Appendix A**

Emilia D. reviewed the current budget and explained there have been some changes since our last review (ie. pizza treat lunches have increased), but lots of expenses are still going through such as confirmation, communion and grade 8 graduation.

### **HCCEF Charity Golf Classic**

This was related to financials. Susan E. reminded us of this expense last year and Stephany B. advised that we will receive a request to participate as we did last year with a donation to the Halton Catholic Children's Education Fund Golf Classic. This charity provides financial assistance for school trips or transportation to our students in need. Since we had supported with \$200 gift last year, Susan E. put forth a motion to support again with a \$200 donation again, council was in agreement.

### **Principal's Report**

#### **Appendix B**

Kelly W.(VP) presented

### **PRO-Grant or "Parents Reaching Out Grant"**

Susan E. explained the criteria and suggested we apply once again for this grant offered by the Ministry of Education. The deadline is May 25<sup>th</sup>, and council members were encouraged to bring forth ideas at the next meeting that fit within the criteria so that we can apply once again. For more info:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/reaching.html>. Funds must be used and reported upon, for Parent/Student engagement purposes. Susan E. to submit application by deadline date.

### **New Business for Future Meeting**

- BBQ
- Pro Grant

### **Closing Prayer**

Led by Kelly W. (VP)

### **Adjournment**

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

**Next meeting Date: Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

**Location: Library, St. Andrew Catholic School**