

## **St. Benedict School Council**

### **October 6, 2020 –Virtual Meeting Minutes**

#### **IN ATTENDANCE (Via Video Conference):**

Josey Guerin, Tanya Le Conte, Marnie Ivanich, Christiana Enebeli, Kristi Mifsud, Kathryn Beauchamp, Bryan De Sousa, Maria Dimaculangan, Noel Martel, Christina Mackay, Laura Breau, Kylie Dillon-Alcasid, Candice Singh, Stephanie Wilson, Rekha Dhayakaran, Michelle Culverwell (late arrival)

**REGRETS:** Artur Migdal

#### **Meeting:**

- Opening prayer - Mr. Guerin
  
- Commissioning Ceremony - Mr. Guerin and Mrs. Le Conte
  
- Council Selection Process
  - Christina MacKay nominated as co-chair by Kylie Dillon
  - It is confirmed via “Chat” vote that Christina MacKay is co-chair
  - It is confirmed via “Chat” vote that Michele Culverwell is co-chair
  - It is confirmed that Maria Dimaculangan is parish rep for St. Benedict
  
- Review of Parent Council By-laws
  - Discussed and moved the revision of maximum of 12 parent participants
  - Discussed to edit to unlimited maximum
  - It is confirmed by council vote that there should not be an election for parent representatives to be on council - no voting required
  
- Administrator’s Report
  - Introduction of Mr. Durran, St. Benedict’s new acting Vice Principal
  - Mrs. Le Conte & Mr. Guerin provided summary of 2019/2020 year

- Support to grade 8 students with COVID-appropriate graduation services and activities
  - Online learning (D2L) made available to teachers over the summer in preparation of 2020/2021 school year
  - Safety protocols in place during September - Re-opening Committee, staggered dismissal, personal hygiene - handwashing, etc.
  - October's focus is learning and wellness - wellness committee and mental health week, school meditative prayer led by Mr. Guerin
- Food Drive - Saturday, Oct 10th at school - 9am-10am - non-perishable items and gift cards to support community families in need
- Change Your Mind timing - next phase of community families moving from online to in-school/in-school to online
  
- Financial Update
  - Financial summary shared by Mrs. Le Conte
    - Dance-a-thon and other outstanding events assisted with Grade 8 graduation + funds raised by grade 8 students
    - Other expenses include gym equipment & tribute to student, Damien
    - Food drive items purchased for community families in need
    - March –June 2020 \$24 451.00
    - Sept.- Oct 2020 – \$17 217.10
  
- Sub-committee Updates
  - Major Fundraiser
    - Discussed alternative COVID-friendly options for fundraisers - potentially holding Halloween Dance-a-thon outside
  - Community Building
    - Overview from parish rep, Maria Dimaculangan, about commemorative book in production to support opening of new church
      - Mr. Guerin to review financials and if Parent Council can provide donation
    - Kylie Dillon volunteered to lead Online Community Building Committee

- Volunteers include: Kathryn Beauchamp, Maria Dimaculangan, Pia Bernardo, Laura Breau, Rekha Dhayakaran, Nelia Rodriguez

**Open Q&A**

**Meeting Adjourned – 8:03pm**

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, Nov. 2nd**