St Peter Catholic School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday May 10th, 2021 Location: Virtual (TEAMS) Time: 6:30pm

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| In Attendance | Regrets |
| C. Boiago (Acting Principal), B. McCauley, D. Sidsworth, K. Ferreira, L. Falcioni, S. Pietrobon-Flynn, A. Costa, M. Protacio, G. DaCosta, S. Sabolic-Venalainen, M. Moscoso, D. Ferreira, R. Bellusci, R. Gebel, J. Macias, B. Coniglio | C. Escalante-Aguilar, M. McClelland, G. Pacchione |

Meeting began at 6:30pm. Called to order by 6:36pm

Opening Prayer led by M. Protacio

Land Acknowledgement Video: Led by

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| Approval of Minutes from last meeting |  |
| \*\*Due to the virtual format, Minutes were sent out to council for review | Approval of all previous minutes: R. Bellusci  2nd: L. Falcioni |

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| Approval of Agenda |  |
| \*\*Due to the virtual format, the agenda was sent out to council for review | Approval of agenda: K. Ferreira  2nd: R. Bellusci |

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| Administrator’s Report: C. Boiago and B. McCauley | Action to be taken: |
| Outdoor Education Fund:   * Due to the pandemic, no trips could happen this year. * Approx $4200 was given for this purpose * That money can now be used to purchase outdoor play equipment * Order has been placed; materials are waiting to come in * St. Peter CES actually spent a little over that amount, but the Board fun had a bit of excess and were able to cover the extra costs * Mostly for primary and Junior (some for Intermediate): Balls/scoops, frisbees (spongy), basketballs, volleyballs, foam footballs and soccer balls, skipping ropes, sidewalk chalk, etc. * Equipment will be in bins for each classroom (when classes return)   **Labour Action:**   * Teachers are taking part; but still working very hard in classrooms (no changes to classroom work) * If it escalates to the next level, term 2 report cards will have marks, but no comments |  |

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| Business Arising | Action to be taken: |
| **Equity and Inclusion (**Jessica**):**   * HCDSB recently voted to not fly the PRIDE flag in June * Proposal was put forward to have “safe space” signs/stickers placed in classrooms and schools * Passed the decision to have training for staff and one poster per school   + This was not taken well by many families, staff etc.   + People want the schools doing more * Want to consider doing something more at St. Peter’s (e.g., rainbow spirit day, sidewalk chalk messages, fly our own purchased pride flag, etc.) * We must follow the Trustees decision (in terms of no PRIDE flag), however, there are other things we can do * The St. Peter School Parent Council DOES support the LGBTQ2S+ community and will do whatever we can within our power to acknowledge them and provide a safe space for them   **Construction Update (**B. McCauley**)**:   * It is completed * Our concerns were brought forward and many of these have been accommodated (e.g., extra exit door) * School yard space can now open up a bit more   **Mother’s Day Flower Baskets Update (**Rachelle**)**:   * Pick-ups took place on Wednesday May 5th * Sold 81 baskets (time extension helped) * Profited almost $1000 * Could consider adding a few extra choices next year??? * Thank you to E. Champoux for preparing the sorting sheet and pick up times & thank you to volunteers * R. Gebel is willing to consider still being the flower coordinator next year (even though she will have “graduated”)   **Council of Chairs (Virtual) Meeting on May 19th (**Mae**)**:   * 6:30pm start * Any volunteers who wish to participate?   **Graduation Update (**B. McCauley**)**:   * Must follow public health protocols * Memo has been sent out regarding graduation (e.g., photo submissions, deadline for Valedictorian speech applications, etc.) * Date: Wednesday June 23rd (rain date: June 24th) * Similar to last year (e.g., drive by pictures) * Grad photos are tentatively booked for a date in June at a possible off-site location * Graduation Signs and Hoodies (purchased for grads): Would be dropped off be select Council Members (in chunks of 10) * Banner will also hang at St. Peter to congratulate the grads of 2021   (M. Protacio):   * More graduates this year; will need more volunteers to deliver * Will be delivering both the signs and hoodies * E. Champoux is compiling a list * 7 drivers total needed * Bags are arriving next week, then need to be stuffed before we can deliver * Goal is to deliver on the 19th * Mae will set up a WhatsApp chat for the “drivers” | **How will we recognize PRIDE Month @ St. Peter:**  -inclusive environment  -signs are being supplied by the board  -statement from Council within the minutes  -Admin is planning something extra to show inclusivity (Waiting on direction from signage and in discussion with the family of schools)  -we will continue to follow up |

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| Executive Committee Reports | Action to be taken: |
| **Financial Report**: Provided by L.Falcioni  Dance-a-thon (Mother’s Day Flower Baskets): \*\*Exact number is coming  School BBQ: $0  Movie Night: $340.51  Christmas Market (including Lenten Bingo): $3516.19 \*\*This money is for Helping Hands   * We try to only have $1000 carried over, so other money can still be used this year (e.g., gift card purchases)   -money raised this year should aim to be spent this year  -intended to support our families |  |

Closing Prayer led by M. Protacio: Focus on Faith

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:37pm

Next meeting will be: Monday June 7th 2021 at 6:30pm