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. Bellusci2nd: 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. Ferreira2nd: 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.FalcioniDance-a-thon (Mother’s Day Flower Baskets): \*\*Exact number is comingSchool BBQ: $0Movie Night: $340.51Christmas 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