Sacred Heart Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: October 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Held via: Videoconference

Agenda: no change

<u>Attendance:</u> Michael Araman, Melissa Peroff, Michelle Ganza, Laura Edwards, Patti Bicic, Angela D'Souza, Saly Botelho, Liz Costa, Jonathan Dawson, Andrew Dawson, Doreen Goumas, Kasia Chrzaszcz

<u>Passing of Agenda:</u> Melissa/Patti/Saly <u>Passing of Minutes:</u> Melissa /Andrew

Principals Update

- 1. CoVid Protocols
 - A. All hot lunches, Snack Shack not permitted. Lunch drop offs are discouraged.
 - B. All evening events at schools are prohibited
 - C. Restrictions to the number of students per class and the 1m space between desks have been removed. Schools required to place students as far apart as physically possible, based on class dimensions and number of students.
 - D. We have fared well after re-organization in that our biggest class now has 25 students, which is the pre-covid junior target.
 - E. 10 SH students are attending virtual classes
 - F. An option to switch modes will be offered in February. A significant switch to virtual, would impact staffing and trigger another re-organization of classes with possible student moves.
 - G. School Breaks for Students: Decision to allow full unrestricted recess was rescinded just before 1st day of school. Cohorted recesses still necessary. To minimize screen time and maximize fresh air and exercise time, I created an alternating schedule. gr. 1-3 outside morning recess, inside last recess. Gr. 4-8 inside morning recess, outside last recess. Lunch hour. Mon and Wed. gr. 1-3 inside for 40 and outside for 20; gr. 4-8 outside for 40 and inside for 20; Tues. and Thurs. gr. 1-3 outside for 40 and inside for 20. Gr. 4-8 inside for 40 and outside for 20. Fridays alternate the above schedule, so that every other Friday, one of the groups gets 40 minutes outside too.
- 2. Liturgical
 - A. 2020-2021 1st Communion was September 25
 - B. 2020-2021 Confirmation is October 13
 - C. Anticipate dates for this year's cohort in the new year
- 3. iPad and Chromebook orders have arrived. They have been assigned to classes for use.
- 4. Academic Focus:

- A. Math: numbers, number strings (thinking problems that focus on number relationships)
 - Solve the problem in our heads
 - Think about how we solved it (strategies, which operations)
 - Look for patterns in the problems
 - Share strategies
 - Listen to other students' explanations
- B. Focus on arithmetic facts and operations
- C. Review expected knowledge from previous years' learning before beginning same topic in current year's curriculum
- Literacy: phonics, word knowledge and vocabulary, reading fluency, comprehension and gap closing where significant gaps exist between expectations for the grade and performance by the student.
- Writing. Grammar, basic sentence structures (punctuation, run on sentences).
- Learning Skills: This is the biggest need right now. A readiness and willingness to be open to learning, to put forth effort and thought and acquire responsibility, initiative, and self regulation.
- Mental Health: monitoring students, referring for counseling where necessary.

<u>Treasurer's Update</u>

- Available funds: \$3,869
- Cheques for chrome books cleared

OAPCE:

No new update

Fall fundraiser:

- Packages arrived
- Packages will go out to the youngest in each family
- Packages will go out October 7/8 with students
- Will run until November 2
- Hard close date of November 5
- If we close the sale by November 18, all products will arrive in December, prior to Christmas
- Return is 40% to our school
- It's a link that can be sent to family and friends for order

Parking

 Parking on Monte Vista and Richvale, safety issue for children who are trying to cross

- Request for crossing guard
- Request to parking control
- Mr. Araman will make request to OPP
- Mr. Araman will provide Note to parents
- Suggestion of parking on Reagent view

Meetings for the remainder of the year

- Wednesday, November 24, 2021 @ 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 19, 2022 @ 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 9, 2022 @ 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 20, 2022 @ 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 8, 2022 @ 5 p.m.

School Council Members for 2021-2022

- Chair: Melissa Peroff
- Secretary: Michelle Ganza
- Treasurer: Laura Edwards
- OAPCE Representative: Patti Bicic/ Bonnie Blocka
- Parish Representative: Angela D'Souza
- Voting members: Saly Botelho, Liz Costa, Jonathan Dawson, Andrew Dawson, Doreen Goumas, Kasia Chrzaszcz

Meeting Adjourned