JEANNE SAUVÉ CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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CSAC Chair: Scott B

Minutes ~ **January 14, 2021** ~ 6:00pm

1. Welcome and Prayer: Jen Keene

6:05pm

2. Call to Order & Recording of Attendance:

> Delia Brander, Diana Bordman, Angela Fawcett, Heather Rees, Jen Weber, Jennifer Keene, Marie-Eve Lessard, Miranda MacKean, Mary Ellen Nelson, Paula Valcke, Rachel Peters, Scott Bell, Jamie, Pip Penrose-Young, John Hurley, Beth Laing

3. Approval of Agenda: Diana motions to approve the agenda, Pip seconds., all in favour.

4. Approval of Minutes from October 22, 2020 meeting: Diana motions to approve to minutes, Pip seconds, all in favour.

Financial Report & Approval of Financial Report - Beth Laing 5.

\$500 donation to St. Andre Bessett was made.

\$2249 in trust for learning enhancement project.

\$7845 in CSAC account.

Diana motions to approve the Financial report, Heather seconds., all in favour.

6. Principal's Report & Business Arising from Report - Jennifer Keene

40 boxes of canned goods, 20 gift cards collected for St. Vincent de Paul.

Two families reached out for support - 8 families volunteered to help sponsor these families.

Spirit Days held and Christmas Spirit week was organized by the student parliament. Advent liturgies took place in the classrooms.

Christmas Mass led by Holy Name of Mary school.

VP role - we say goodbye to Gaylene Hagarty who has been our VP this year and we welcome Paula Valcke as our acting VP for the remainder of the year.

Remote learning is in full swing, teachers are pivoting, learning as they go,

reinventing their classroom. Board office support available to them for anything they need.

Jen thanks the parent community as they are just as much a part of getting the online learning going and supporting their children.

Chrome book deployment happened before Christmas break to all students who still needed one. Hot spots were handed out to families who had connectivity issues.

- 7. Committee Reports & Business Arising from Reports:
 - I. Policy Review Committee

Dress Code - Scott noted the addition of masks this year to the dress code.

- II. School Culture Committee (Social/Hospitality) Angela Fawcett
 Shrove Tuesday is Feb. 16 Angela asked if there are any ideas on what we can do for the students IF we are back in school by then. Check to see if we are even allowed to cook in the classrooms like we did before.
 Pip suggested families share pictures of their dinner, so we can all be a part of the Shrove Tuesday family dinner as a whole school.
- III. Faith / Spirit / Parish Rep Marianne Braca (absent)
- IV. French Culture Pip nothing to report
- V. Graduation Heather

Heather questioned what we should be looking at for Graduation this year.

Now would be the time to rent things, i.e. dishes.

Graduation photos are in February.

Jen suggests going ahead with planning Graduation as if we are going forward with it. Likely a smaller graduation this year anyway.

Paula mentioned even if we cannot gather to still have the Cap and Gown

experience at the front of the school even if it has to be done distantly.

Heather is asking for \$500 to begin planning.

Diana approves, Angela seconds, all in favour.

VI. Safe and Healthy Schools Committee

Snack Program ~ Diana Bordman

Non perishables were stocked up before the break.

Used up remaining funds from the grant program to top up the stock.

Limited the amount of fresh items as they were going bad fast.

Everything needs to be wiped down, took a lot of extra time for this and parent volunteers are not able to help.

Being creative on what is brought in and how much of it. Perhaps an idea is to have grocery delivery to the school? Jen mentioned that our French Monitor has a fruit cart and goes from classroom to classroom to hand out the snacks. Students use their french oral communication to request a snack. Lunch/Milk Program ~ Rachel Peters - on hold

- VII. Fundraising Committee Jessica Drennan & Jen Weber Nothing to report
- VIII. Learning Enhancement Program on hold
 Diana questioned the funding of blue light blocking glasses.
 Diana will look into pricing from a local source.
 Switching the screens to night mode also helps.
 Researching into the full benefits of these glasses as well before we recommend them to parents is a good idea. Diana to report back.
- 8. Other Business:
 - a. Spirit Wear We are able to provide spirit wear through Dunny's. Ordering can be done through School Cash Online by a certain date. Place the order with Dunny's, and then parents can do curbside pick up from the store when their order comes in. Marloes will ask Brian about trying clothes on if parents are unsure of sizing and report back.
 - b. Playground: Picnic tables
 - i. Town brought 5 picnic tables into the yard for the school to borrow. Most classrooms were using them for outdoor classes and they were well received. Jen is wondering if we could purchase a couple picnic tables to have a place for students to sit and journal/draw/write, or converse together at recess. Our OA, Julie has priced some through a canadian company.
 4ft table \$698, 6ft table \$798, 8ft table \$888, Wheelchair accessible \$798. Maranda MacKean talked about applying for grant money and purchasing kits that the students can build themselves.

Certification through eco schools program.

Jen Keene noted staff, i.e. Mr. Greene, may be interested to assist with this project. Paula Valcke noted that Student Parliament would love to help with this too.

Leave it that Maranda, Paula & Jen will look into the kits for building and the costs. Perhaps find out how long it will take to have an accessible table delivered.

Mel mentioned CR Plastics in Stratford and what their pricing may be on tables, Maranda mentioned they have a school rate as well.

Scott determined that an accessible table and one 8ft table comes to approx. \$1900 based on the pricing received from Julie's research.

Diana motions to approve \$2000 to get this project going, Jen Weber seconds.; all in favour, passed.

c. Delia is requesting more toys in Kindergarten so that the cohorts in their classroom have more of the same items. If cohorts continue, Delia is wondering if we can look at this further as there is a need for extra learning resources.

> Creating a list of needs and looking into purchasing new or asking parents for donations of specific items is the plan. Items have to be able to be sanitized. Also cannot have too many things, as our storage needs are quite limited at Jeanne Sauve.

Discussion about storage sheds outside for extra storage. Kindergarten currently has two and one could be relocated to the bigger yard.

- 9. Closing Prayer: Our Father
- 10. Meeting Adjourned

7:20pm

**Next Meeting: May 4, 2021 at 6:00pm

All CSAC meetings are held in the school library unless otherwise posted. There must be a minimum of 5 parents/council members (Chair, Vice Chair (or Co-Chairs), Treasurer, Secretary and the chair or delegate from each committee and sub-committee) there in order for voting to be able to take place.