

Sir Edgar Bauer Catholic School



Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) Meeting Minutes

DATE Wednesday November 3, 2021

Present: Bianca Prince Bechtel, Cheryl Beaupre, Eric Thuss, Krista Mooney, Lanette Kym, Natalie Ferrier, Melissa Skanes, Mary-Lynn Wettlaufer, David Rozek, Jelena Loncar

Regrets: Sara Kaptein, Dina Guajardo, Doreen Weise

Meeting began at 6pm

Agenda Items:

- Welcome/Introductions (All)
- Territorial Acknowledgement/Prayer
 - Krista read a beautiful prayer with references to The Umbrella Project's themes
- Review of Minutes of Last Meeting
 - No concerns with minutes – to be sent to Admin for posting onto SEB website
- Parish Update
 - Newswire sent and emails from St Michael's to all parents in Gr 2 and 7
 - Gr 2 First Communion – Nov 11 parent meeting
 - Gr 7 Confirmation – parent meeting Dec 2
 - *Link for zoom in the Church email (*if you did not get a link you can be in touch with the Church)
 - *Also posted in classroom google classroom sites
- Principal Update
 - Lead Team Initiative – Intermediate Kids and teacher(s) who coordinate their efforts/supervise
 - Halloween Fun – the Team did costume parade, pumpkin carving, door decorating and black/orange day
 - They do brainstorming with Ms. Joyce and Ms. Kim for events
 - Photography club documents pictures for the yearbook (with old technology!!)
 - Small group is also planning a year end slide show with all of the photos taken
 - Christmas activities also being planned
 - "Increase the Peace Week" Nov 12 ("anti bullying week) is also being planned now
 - Student Census
 - Board lead initiative for students Grade 4-8 the begins this week

- School will get specific results to understand issues like the cultural, social, socio economic demographics and student's feeling of belonging – to identify and minimize systemic barriers – to improve equity in our schools
 - Umbrella Project
 - Teacher Champions – Ms. Egan and Mdm Joyce
 - Initiatives continue; announcements also several times per week
 - Today celebrated empathy for the month of October
 - Growth Mindset is November focus – slide show and activities for the monthly focus (continue to be virtual for now)
 - Pastoral Team/Equity Focus
 - School improvement plan has a strong focus on equity
 - Staff committee also in place to create staff initiatives
 - “SEEC” – student equity and engagement council Gr 6-8; student voice committee to also be created for school specific initiatives
 - Pizza and LunchBox Orders
 - Candice (parent) and Ms. Lanteigne will be supporting SEB with ordering pizza lunches – Nov 10 is first pizza day lunch
 - LunchBox orders – subs and Pita Pit; work for the school through LunchBox is much easier as they do most of the work; alternate Fridays and will (hopefully) begin Nov 22; will come out on Newswire
 - There is not much \$ uptake on the LunchBox orders but does generate a small amount of money – Ms. Lanteigne is coordinator at this point and small amount of money funds TBD
 - Mrs .Skanes is nutrition for learning Champion – food in classrooms 3x per week; no volunteers at this time, teachers gather a collection of food for each of their own classrooms
 - Milk program is also to begin again in the coming weeks
- Budgeting of Funds
 - Current balance \$4 730.60
 - Classroom allocations
 - Krista reached out to all teachers and got positive responses; 17 classrooms
 - Ideas of need were classroom specific activities for indoor recess or bins with outdoor equipment
 - Idea – ask families for donation of Board Games that they may not be using (gentle, good used condition) or new – this to go out on Newswire; Eric to put something together and will review at next council meeting
 - Parent Council to give each of 17 teachers \$200 each to purchase what they feel is best for their classroom – receipts will be required to be submitted.
 - LEAD team will also be given \$200 for activities related to student initiatives plus \$80 already spent for gift cards from Halloween
 - Motion presented by Cathy McDonald-Reis for total of \$3680 to be distributed to staff and Lead Team for student directed activities; unanimous support
 - Balance will be \$1130.60

- Other 2021/2022 priorities and events
 - “the no fundraising Fund Raiser” idea – we will be asking for open donations from the school population in conjunction with the ask for games donation; no specific date to be put on the flyer given household stressors around Christmas time specifically – games can be brought to school and parent council to help with the organization of those should there be a larger number of donations
- Other Business:
 - Gingerbread House decorate at home and display to the school community; Natalie to connect with Mdm Joyce and will coordinate if Lead Team not taking part
 - When we can meet in person again? The Board/Public Health has not given the OK to do this yet but council will continue to have a hybrid model so that some can participate if they want to virtually
- Adjournment at 7:05pm

Next Meeting: December 1, 2021 6pm (virtual meeting at this time)

Minutes by Cathy McDonald-Reis, Secretary

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