Saint John Paul II

Parent School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: March 1, 2018



Present: Rob Stecyk, Steve Tymko, Annalise Yudza, Gaylene Dannish, Tamara Guenette, Carrie King, Debbie Krauskopf, Lavonne Leeson, Terri Nixon, Laura Sjogren, Stacy Walker, Maureen Wert, Justice Wright (School Trustee); For Youth Leadership, Justine Degenhardt (teacher), Ewelina Warchol (teacher) and Justin Lajeunesse (student)

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Agenda Item	Outcome
1.0 Call to Order	Annalise calls the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Introductions are made for all those attending.
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2.0 Approval of the	Terri moves approval of the Agenda. All those in favory motion carried.
Agenda	
3.0 Guest Speaker	Steve Tymko, Prinicipal of Saint André Bessette High School, provides an update on the new school: • 2 weeks away from sustainability (moving target) but the Open House is confirmed for
	 April 18th; open to the community and to the Grade 9's coming in- all in one evening. Logo: SAB; colours: red, black and white; SAB Cardinals
	All continuous contract staff will transfer over to the new school.
	 Capacity of 700 with the ability to expand to accommodate 1000 students. School has already been fielding calls; Intake interviews have not yet started.
	 The Cross will be lit with changing colours to correspond to the liturgical calendar. School is in a "U" shape; thus should prevent the bottlenecking at class change.
	CTS and most option classes will be on the lower level, with science classes on the upper level.
	Science labs: set up with camera on the demo table.
	 Security: 55 security cameras. Office is to the right upon entering the front doors. ALL students and vistors will enter the front door. (Staff have their own entrance/parking at the back of the building)
	Rathrooms: non-gendered bathrooms, common sink area; 4 sets of 8; 2-upstairs, 2-downstairs.
	• Lockers: full sized lockers. Designation of space not yet determined (ie. Grades kept together?)
	 Industrial Dept: will have 6 welding bays and a designated paint bay as well.
	Foods Lab: state of the art with camera above demo table. Can comfortable handle 32 students.
	 Fine Arts Dept: Black Box Theatre with a reciprical user agreement with the Shell Theatre. Art Room: large classroom, with proper art tables and a designated stained glass station. Music Room: designated for continuing guitar and musical theatre classes.
	 Servery: Is an Industrial kitchen that will be contracted out. Seating area is in an "L" shape with seating for 50-60 students in the lounge area, just behind the kitchen.
	 Gymnasiums: there will be two; one larger(same width as JP2 but longer) and one smaller (same length but more narrow). Bleachers will hold 150-200. Locker rooms have bathrooms and handicapped stalls.
	 Field space: negotiations/discussion regarding Taurus Field are in the works. Soccer fields are across the street. A baseball field is up in the air at the moment. Fitness Centre: full fitness area

	 Parking: 163 student stalls, bus loop, designated visitor parking, separate staff parking lot. There will only be right turns, no left turns.
	 School bus: Grant application just went in for a new bus – 24 passenger with storage.
	School Awards: to be re-visited in September. Revamping may be needed. Currently we
	are very lucky to have as many awards available to our students as we do.
4.0 Approval of	Gaylene moves approval of the minutes from the January 15, 2018 meeting. All those in favor;
Minutes	motion carried.
	Currently the Minutes from the Parent School Council Meetings are not being put on the website
	until they have been approved. General discussion resulted in an agreement that the Minutes to
	be posted as soon as available, but with the stupulation that it is a "draft only-pending approval"
	copy.
5.0 Treasurer's Report	Terri reports that there is \$1,143.47 in the account. No disbursments made since last meeting.
6.0 Business Arising	6.1 PSC e-mail address: PSC email, stjp2psc@gmail.com is up and running Annalise as the Chair
Ū	of PSC has the responsibility to maintain the email address.
	6.2 Guest Speaker for next meeting: Possibilities discussed. Decided that Michele Ethier, a
	teacher at OLA, and distant relative of St. André Bessette, would be asked if she would give a
	presentation on the background regarding St. André Bessette. She is one of the chaperones for
	the Montreal, Quebec City, Ottawa trip that the OLA students are taking.
	6.3 Transition of PSC between schools: General discussion regarding the transfer. The PSC Account
	will transfer over to the new high school. A new Constitution regarding Parent School Council will
	have to be drafted; to be done by the new council in September.
7.0 School Report	Robert Stecyk
	7.1 Admin Changes: An email went out last week advising that effective March 1 st , Laurie Kardynai-
	Bahri has taken a secondment position with Alberta Education as a Curriculum Consultant. In the
	interim, Rob Stecyk will be Acting Principal, with Steve Tymko as Co-Principal. Further possible
	admin changes may occur.
	7.2 Mass with 3 Fort Schools (Feb 3rd): T he Feb 3 rd Saturday evening Mass was well attended by all
	three schools with the ministry positions being filled by students and teachers. A goal is to make
	this a monthly occurrence
	7.3 Ash Wednesday Celebration. This celebration was hosted in the school this year with Fr.
	Francis as the Celebrant. Approximately 250-260 students attended.
	7.4 Adoration: Following the Ash Wednesday Service, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament was
	lead by teachers in the Chapel
	7.5 Lockdown/Hold & Secure: Rob clarified the situation that arose at the end of January, when
	the 7-11 downtown was robbed. Initially, the school as in a lockdown position for approximatley 4
	minutes when it then switched to a hold and secure. Lockdown is when there is a threat in or on
	the school property; Hold & Secure is in response to a possible threat in the area surrounding the
	school. Hold & Secure is business as usual except that the doors are locked and no one is allowed
	to enter or exit the school.
	7.6 Surveys. Several surveys are in the works right now; Grade 10 students, staff and parents.
	Please participate.
	7.7 Wellness Update: Rob read from the attached sheet, an update from Sarah Balla, the Health
	and Wellness Champion for the school and district.
	7.8 Student Leadership Presentation (Ms. Degenhardt & Ms. Warchol): Laurie Kardynai-Bahri had approached Student Leadership to addess the overcrowding of students in the common areas, or
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UV.	how to find space for 435 students! Ms. Degenhardt pointed out that while most days there is no spare sitting in the cafeteria area, there are still days when there are booths/seats available.
	Leadership (students & staff) took a look at various options: a spare room with access from the
	second floor; a metal staircase, low ceiling and the light switches not in the room but controlled
	from the gym ruled this option out- all for safety reasons. They then looked at opening up various
	classrooms, but the students felt that eating in the classroom and then utilizing it right after as a
	learning space without being cleaned presented problems. The same problem presented itself
	when they looked at using the gym. End result, although there is a lack of space, the reality is that
	there is no other space to be found, and the students are resolved in having this difficulty for the
	rest of the school term (4 months) knowing that new school-new space in September resolves all
	of these issues. The student representative (Justin) also expressed an interest on behalf of Student
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	Leadership that they would like to attend and have input at the Parent School Council Meetings for the various issues and policies that are reviewed at this level.
8.0 Set Meeting Date	To be announced once confirmation of the guest speaker is received. Annalise will add a section
	for Youth Leadership, starting with the next meeting.
9.0 Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm

