FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL /FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL

PARENT ASSOCIATION

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Dec 3, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

In-person/Online

Attendance:

In- Person

Kari Brennan

Kandise Salerno

Jackie Belland

Karen Garlitos

Pam Santos

Michelle Lovelock

Rose Singian

Online

Nidya Leon

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:33 PM
- 2. Welcome and Introductions
- 3. Prayer/Treaty 6
- 4. Review of Agenda

Approval of agenda as presented

Motion: Pam makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Rose. All in favour.

5. Approval of minutes as amended – Oct 15, 2024

Motion: Karen makes a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by Michelle. All in favour.

7.0 Reports

7.1 Principal Report – Kandise Salerno

- Took a look at the PAT data for FMT. There is growth in all areas from the previous year to the 2024 school year. Each of our subjects has shown a big increase year over year for FMT students.
- ECSD Annual Survey- Paper copies only, please complete and send back to the school with your child, due to the mail strike. Important to get the feedback.
- School Plan for Continuous Growth. Found under Assurance information on the FMT website.

- Universal Design for learning- a teaching strategy is used and all students can access it. Makes sure all students are included and can access learning
- Learning Excellence- reviewed core subject areas to identify areas of strength and areas of growth.
- Organizational Excellence- continue to find ways to communicate with the parent group. The many ways the school communicates with the parents, and the social worker continuing to provide wrap around supports.
- Opportunities for the students to celebrate their uniqueness and diversity as children of God. There are many clubs that exist and there are many opportunities for students to partake.
- New School Logo has been developed.
- Programming change for FMT. Starting in 2025/26 school year FMT will have the STEM program.
 - Other stem schools in our catchment area
 - History of strong academics at FMT
 - FMT students have shown an aptitude for Math and Science (based on the PAT results reviewed earlier)
 - Starting in 2025- incoming Grade 7 students will experience an integrated STEM program
 - Three year phased approach. It prepares them for HS and success in an ever-evolving technology- driven world.
 - Grade 8 and 9 positive benefits- it will be integrated, and they will still get the same academic experience. There will be access to hands-on, innovative learning for all grades.
 - o Starting tomorrow, FMT will have STEM on our website.
- No Stone Left Alone- ambassadors went on behalf of FMT
- AOB came to present to the Grade 9s about HS in general.
- AOB Band came and performed to the Grade 9 students.
- At end of November had their first CFA. 10 question test and just for the Division to gain some data on how we are doing with Math.
- Parent/Teacher interviews took place on Nov 21 and was well attended.
- Teaching staff partook of STEM PD on Nov 22.
- Band concert in gym on Dec 12. There will be a raffle for best seat in the house.
- Student Leadership group has decided money raised from there will go to Cross Cancer.
- Dec 19 is the full day- and there is hot lunch for those who chose to order.

7.2 Chair Report – Kari Brennan

• Kari received a letter from Trustee Laura Thibert thanking the SAC for their work. She included a gift card to be used towards council meetings. Kari thanked Laura for her generous gift. Council decided to use it for future meetings and refreshments during our event when we utilize the asca grant.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 New Grant – Submission will be in Jan. CFE Grant- includes various items that would be accessed by the community. Received a letter of recommendation from MP, Chair has written a letter. Grant Writer putting it together. Grant will be submitted by end of December. The Screen and outdoor seating is similar to the previous submission (\$50K and \$10K). The other items are not as significant. 8.2 ASCE update (\$500 grant)- would like to remind council to use the funds. Presentation in January/February.

8.5 Poinsettia Fundraiser: 22 were ordered. Profit was \$181.00 This amount will go towards the Grade 9 farewell activities.

9. New Business

9.1 none.

10. Next Meeting - February 11 at 6:30 PM

11. Motion to adjourn: Meeting is adjourned at 7:29 PM

FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION

Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes December 3, 2024 @ 6:30PM In-person/Online

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM
- 2. Review of the Agenda-

Motion: approve agenda as presented: Karen, seconded by Pam

3. Approval of minutes as presented - October 15, 2024

Motion: approve minutes as presented, Rose, seconded by Michelle

4. Treasurer report

General: \$470.55; 30 day term GIC 3022.26 total 3492.81

Casino account: \$23902.74; GIC 74657.74 3 month term; GIC 30 days term 3085.43 Does not include the recent cheque issued for the chrome books- still to be cashed and will come out of the cash in the account.

- Put the funds in a new GIC for the casino account that is one year. It can be accessed at anytime after 30 days.
- ATB reversed the \$5 in charges for paper statement. The account has been closed now.
- 5. Old Business:
 - Wish List: Math dept would like to get a mathletics license for the school's grade 7s. Get an account for each grade seven student for the year. Would allow the students to practice at home, as well as use it in class. \$780 for all Grade 7 students. \$2500 for the whole school.
 - Motion: to approve the purchase of a mathletics license for the whole school not to exceed \$2500. Kari made the motion. Pam approved. All in favour- motion carried.
 - Insurance for SAC- Kari to complete paperwork.
- 6. New business: none
- 7. Motion to adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Question and Answer with Dr. Salerno following