

**FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL /FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL
PARENT ASSOCIATION**

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Sept 17, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

In-person/Online

Attendance:

In- Person

Kari Brennan

Kandise Salerno

Jackie Belland

Karen Garlitos

Pam Santos

Michelle Lovelock

Rose Singurian

Amanda Klyne Amandaklyne@gmail.com

Online

Gemma Cabido

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM
2. Prayer
3. Review of Agenda
4. Welcome and Introductions
5. Approval of minutes as presented (or amended) – June 11, 2024
Motion: Rose makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Pam
6. Correspondence – none
7. Reports
 - 7.1 Principal Report – Kandise Salerno
 - Personal mobile device policy- been going well. No concerns. Students have accepted it.
 - Conduct policy has been revised
 - Assessment policy has been revised. Gives a specified date for due dates for assignments. After firm deadline, the teacher will reach out to the parent to let them know the assignment is NHI. The student has a firm 2 weeks to hand it in, otherwise the student will not be able to hand it in. Use of AI was also addressed. If it is flagged for AI, they will be asked to redo the assignment and the mark will be reduced by 20%.
 - Powerschool access for parents
 - School messenger- a new way to report an absence for ECSD. It enables parents to enter absences on an app.

- Mr. Thompson is spearheading a QB and ON trip over spring break. It is open to all grades. Parent info meeting Sept 18 at 6:30 PM. This trip will be offered every 2 years.
- Change of staffing. Mrs. Duarte will be leaving FMT. Mrs. Nesterovich is replacing her. Social worker is now FT and Mrs. Duarte's last day is Oct 4. Mrs. Nestorovich is a trained HS foods teacher. She will be teaching 0.5 within the school. Mr. Richard is now the Homeroom teacher for 7B.
- Transitioned to a weekly parent information: Tryton Tribunal. Sent every Friday.
- The calendar on the FMT website is up to date and includes all sports/athletics. Please bookmark the page so you know everything that is going on.
- School fees were posted on Sept 15.
- Enrollment is 339. This is a reduction from last year. Grade 7's are in the 20's per class. Grade 8's 30-31. Grade 9's are in the 20's as well.

7.2 Chair Report – Kari Brennan

8. Old Business

8.1 CIP Grant – the grant was declined. We are able to re-apply at the next cycle. There was limited funding available. We can decide to reapply, change it or keep it the exact same. We will look to reapply in January. Speak with ECSD Grant Writers to see if we need to change the grant. The furniture for the school will be paid for by the SAC. Dr. Salerno to provide receipt to treasurer for payment.

8.2 Teacher Appreciation Lunch: the lunch was lovely. Everything came and the caterer was organized. The food was late on delivery. The restaurant refunded the delivery fee in compensation.

8.3 Banking update: all banking has been moved to Servus. There is a fee to close the account- we have removed all funds from the account and in time the account will become dormant.

8.4 ASCE (\$500 grant): provided proof that the event was held. Our donation was to ZEBRA so there was no invoice. SAC can make the donation directly to ZEBRA. The grant is still forthcoming- Jackie Belland will follow up to confirm the exact status of grant money and donation.

9. New Business

9.1 Elections/AGM – set a date in October 2024. Vice Chair position is open. The AGM will take place on October 15, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

9.2 ASCA Membership: Do we want to renew it? Dr. Salerno will confirm with ECSD regarding payment of the cost of membership, and if there are any additional benefits to membership.

10. Next Meeting – October 15, 2024 at 6:30 PM (Annual General Meeting)

11. Motion to adjourn: Meeting is adjourned at 7:59 PM

FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION

Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2024 @ 6:30PM

In-person/Online

1. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
2. Review of the Agenda- addition of New business items
Motion: approve agenda as amended: Pam, seconded by Michelle
3. Approval of minutes as presented – June 11, 2024
Motion: approve minutes as presented, Karen, seconded by Karen
4. Treasurer report
General: \$3476.20
Casino account: \$117,980.69
Moved some cash to GIC to earn some interest. 30 day term interest \$42 ; earned \$660 on the Casino GIC 3 month.
SAC will pay \$17,255.04 for the school furniture purchased in 2023.
5. Old Business- none
6. New business:
 - 5.1 Fundraising:
Bottle Drive: early Oct 1 and 2, sign advertising outfront, Instagram. Fits in with Spirit Week.
Will send a reminder out on Sept 30.
Easter: Purdy's Chocolate fundraising (April 12)
Grade Level Retreats: how do we reduce the cost for our students. We can look at subsidizing the Grade Level Retreats. We will look at a Christmas fundraiser- Kari to look into it. Additionally, look at Casino fund regulations to see if a 50/50 would work prior to our school music concert or awards banquet (or both).
 - 5.2 Wishlist
Chromebooks are required for the school. There are only 117. There are not enough for everybody. The school would like to purchase 30 additional Chromebooks and a cart \$16035 for the school supply. Volleyballs are required for the season (new balls are mandated) would like to purchase new volleyballs to equal \$1000.
Motion: to purchase 30 chromebooks and a cart, and the new mandatory volleyballs totalling \$17035 for the school. Kari, seconded by Karen. All in favour, approved.
7. Motion to adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Question and Answer with Dr. Salerno following