

FATHER MICHAEL TROY SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2022 – 6:00PM
Online

Attendees: Anna Gomez, Karen Lupul, Kara Pelech, Kenneth , Nimaya Lodu, Rose Esmundo-Singian, Amanda Venters, Kari & Damian Brennan

1.0 Call to Order - 6:10 pm

2.0 Prayer - Karen

3.0 Adoption of Agenda –

- Motion– Kara
- Seconded - Rose

4.0 Welcome and Introductions –

5.0 Adoption of Minutes from Jan 11, 2022

- At the top of the minutes from January 11, we should have the actual date listed.
- Where it says “none” you want to put in “no report” which is more accurate.
 - Motion- Rose
 - Second - Kenneth

6.0 Correspondence

6.1 No report

7.0 Reports

7.1 Administration - Anna Gomez

- Basketball had a great season, with spectators finally being able to come and watch the game.
- Badminton starting after spring break.
- Administration is staying the same for next year.
- High school presentations from AOB, Holy Trinity, and St. Joseph’s occurred in January and February.
- We had a successful Open House. The recording is on the school website.
- This Friday, in the afternoon, students will make their registrations

- This year, the final exams will be division common assessments for gr. 7's and 8's and PAT's for grade 9's.
- Shrove Tuesday – school purchased donuts to celebrate Shrove Tuesday.
- Ash Wednesday Celebration – Father Julian and Father Glenn prepared a virtual Ash Wednesday celebration for all the schools. Our students took part in it in their individual classrooms and the teachers sprinkles ashes on everyone's forehead.
- We began our school social justice project: Little Caesars Pizza Kits – funds raised will go to aid efforts in Ukraine and ECSD Dream Challenge
- On Monday the entire school community had an amazing anti-racism presentation by Anthony McLean
- We will have a longer lunch break, adding outside time to our lunch next year. Research shows that students learn better with outside time incorporated in the school day, and it is good for their mental health. Our school schedule will shift a little bit. We will start will begin at 8:25 am and end at 3:06 pm.
- Flex will follow a biweekly schedule to increase curricular instructional time.
- Options will be available for the students for next year. Information and form will be sent out to the parents in the next few weeks.

7.2 Chair – Amanda Venters

- No report

7.3 Secretary

- Resigned.
- We will send out notification two weeks prior.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 Alberta School Council Engagement Grant – Update/Workshops

Mental Health Session - possible dates: Monday, March 21st or March 23rd

- Basic outline that will be given by psychologist:
 - The current state, prolonged stress, and uncertainty
 - Signs and symptoms of prolonged stress in children and adolescents

- The science behind Stress and Anxiety and what is happening for your children
- Building healthy habits and nurturing resilience
- Strategies and techniques to teach your children
- Taking care of yourself so you can mentor good behavior
- Resources: books, websites
- Question and Answer period
- (add notes from Anna)
- Mary Hanley would be interested in attending. Mary Hanley is signing up for a different session and they have invited us to share that presentation.
- Session could be recorded for anyone who cannot make it on that day. Possibly put on the website.
- Anna will pick a date.

9.0 New Business

9.1 Easter Fundraiser – Purdey's chocolate?

- Kara – it might be overwhelming to have two fundraisers going at the same time.
- Agreed by others
- Amanda – asked about the flowers fundraiser that was done in the past. She wonders if that would be possible.
- Rose – In Mary Hanley did a 50/50 and there is not much work, and they did well (approximately \$1000.00). This was online.

9.2 May Agenda – appreciation lunch for staff

- Anna to come with days and times that would work for the Council.
- Kara stated that in the past on a Thursday the Council would bring in a lunch for the staff prior to their staff meeting.

9.3 Is there a June meeting?

- Possibly a wind-up. TBD

10.0 Next Meeting - May 10 @ 6:00 pm (maybe in person)

11.0 Motion to Adjourn – Kari, Rose

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1.0 Call to Order – 6:49

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

- Motion – Damian
- Seconded – Nimaya
- Agreed

3.0 Adoption of Minutes Jan 11th, 2022

- Motion – Kara
- Seconded – Kari
- Agreed

4.0 Reports:

5.1 Treasurer – Rosemarie Singian

- 1,500 for casino advisors
- Deposit from Casino but we are unsure of why
- Casino –
- Kara – we can have some funds in the account as a holdback.
Used for discretionary. Emergency funds. (\$14,000)

5.0 Old Business

- 5.1 Casino Volunteers – Possibly getting gift cards for the 15
Volunteers not involved in our community.**

- Amanda - This would have to come out of general account. Should we hold off on this.
- Kara – we may not be allowed to do this.
- Amanda – trying to find the out of school volunteers is quite difficult right now.
- Kari – This would be a great gesture. We should at least try.
 - Motion Amanda - \$10.00 gift card from general account for those who volunteered – between the 15 people (\$150.00 total).
 - Seconded – Damian
 - Agreed

5.2 Update on outdoor activity grant (Basketball court) – Need to motion for \$20,000 of Casino funds to go towards the courts.

- We are in the process of getting grants – from the Division – Doris Paquette fills out the grant information. For example, the City of Edmonton has a large grant for the rubber ground for the court. (Outdoor furniture would be added too.)
- Motion Kara- \$20,000 for courts and the rest will come from the grants
- Seconded – Damian
- Agreed

6.0 New Business

- 6.1 Anna – 35,000 just under with computer purchase. Send an invoice to Rose and the school will be reimbursed.

7.0 Next Meeting – May 10 @ 6:00

8.0 Motion to Adjourn

- Motion - Kari
- Seconded – Rose
- Agreed

Following meeting

Q & A – Anna and Karen