

School Advisory Council 2020-2021

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL

October 5th, 2021

*this meeting was held virtually via Zoom

Present:	Heather Kaup	Jane Miska	Jane McDade
	Kim Bremault	Natasha Palmer	Danielle Wade
	Katherine Anselmo	Suzanne Brook	Cori Bowman
	Sandra Symboluk	Pamela Walters	Christine DeRose
	Michelle Devlin	Jean Vital Yambayamba	Amanda Tindill
	Karen Hamilton	Tracy Presson	Eva

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by Natasha. Opening prayer by Heather. The 21/22 executive introduced themselves.

2.0 Approval of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda – Kathy, Seconded by – Jane McD, All in favour - Passed

3.0 Approval of the Prior Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the June 8th meeting minutes – Jane McD, Seconded by – Katherine. All in favour - Passed

4.0 Student Union Report – Xavier Executive

Xavier Executive has evolved into a new entity called “Xavier Union” in an effort to encourage more students to participate.

5.0 School Report – Danielle Wade and Kim Bremault

- Danielle introduced herself as the new family social liaison worker. She is a Social Worker by trade and is at the school to support students and their families. She commented on the stress a lot of families are experiencing as they struggle to make ends meet. She is open to donations of grocery cards/ Tim’s cards etc. if anyone is able. She mentioned the Thanksgiving food drive currently underway. One of her prime goals will be concentrating on the school avoidance and truancy issues that have come up since COVID. She welcomed anyone to reach out to her at danielle.wade@ecsd.net

- Kim introduced herself as the new Vice Principal and grade 10 coordinator.

- Kim presented the following school updates:

Social Justice

- food drive underway with non-perishable and/or cash donations being directed to Vincent de Paul Society

- FX proudly participated in the CIBC Run for the Cure and were the top school fund raiser with a total of \$44,331 raised.

- several students took part in a potato harvest for the Edmonton Food Bank

Field Trips

- Grade 12 religion students are heading out to Birch Bay Camp on October 14th for a retreat, fee is \$85 and includes all activities and dinner

- Biology 20 did an Ecological Studies field trip to Big Lake

- Phys Ed classes have been participating in river valley field trips

Academics

- they have been able to access the city facilities
- **Celebrations**
- September 9th was the opening celebration. Father Glen held a service and the football team and the grade 11's were able to attend in person. The remainder of the school attended virtually.
- October 7th is the Thanksgiving Celebration
- **General**
- the school held a successful grade 10 orientation
- October 26th is picture retake day
- October 21st is the awards ceremony for the 20/21 school year
- **Athletics**
- football team is 3 & 1 and 2nd in the division. October 8th is the next game
- cross country has 16 kids participating and they are going to city finals on October 6th
- flag football is 4 & 0 and 1st in the division
- volleyball
- Sr boys 1 & 3
- Sr girls 4 & 2
- Jr boys 3 & 1 – 2nd place
- Jr girls 2 & 0 – 1st place

6.0 Principal Report – Heather Kaup

Enrollment is 1130

Gr. 10: 372, Gr. 11: 394 Gr. 12: 364

HIRING

-September was characterized with hiring. Two late secondments to Alberta Education Seaghda McInnes in CTS and Shana Fairbank in French. Welcomed Evelyn Liesner in CTS and Tarilyn McAuley in French. These two staffing changes were followed by Brett Barron leaving to the PE Consultant Position with Edmonton Catholic and us welcoming Francesca Fritz to Baseball. We have had to also welcome Paul Hayduk to help with the larger numbers of baseball players.

COVID

-Hosted a Covid Immunization Clinic where we had only nine students receive their immunizations.

-Have had seven Covid cases confirmed since August 31st.

-Working with the City of Edmonton on the Proof of Vaccination/Exemption/Negative Test: City has given us grace until October 13th when we will have to provide the proof to use the Sports Centre.

TRUTH and RECONCILIATION

-ten days of intentional time set aside with classes to help build an understanding of how we can actively be involved in the day.

-Made bracelets for all staff and students: Symbolizing the braid and the seven sacred teachings.

-Held Smudge for students

School Growth Plan

<https://datavisualizationpublic.ecsd.net/home/GrowthPlan?SchoolId=8405>

Posted on the school Assurance Dashboard.

-Celebrate our school Charism of Caritas Christi- both staff and students monthly

-Implement teaching and assessment that looks to filling in the gaps created by COVID.

-Support for FNMI families with FSLW as a way to target increased Graduation rate with our Indigenous population

-Support staff with leadership opportunities to direct professional growth looking at post pandemic concerns.

Marketing and Branding: Email signature and Bus branding to promote our school and programs

7.0 Action/Discussion Items

7.1 Concern was raised regarding the diploma exams and the 30% weight of these exams. Heather committed to bringing it forward to the district admin.

7.2 Karen Hamilton reminded parents of the Registered Apprenticeship Program and is going to call Heather to see how they can support FX.

7.3 Elections – Natasha advised that we had a vacancy for the treasurer position. Christine DeRose put her name forward. Jane M nominated Christine and Katherine seconded the motion. All in favour – passed. Christine DeRose was voted in as the treasurer for the 21/22 school year. Christine will reach out to CIBC regarding the signing authorities and Natasha will get our binder/cheque book back from Kathy Sauze.

Next meeting is on December 7th at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm by Natasha Palmer

Meeting minutes prepared by Jane Miska

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– Passed

4.0 Treasurer Report

- no updates

5.0 Casino Report

- our next casino will probably be in Q2 or Q3 of 2022

6.0 New Business

6.1 We discussed other fundraising initiatives, suggestions were Skipthedepot.com and a 50/50 raffle through raffle BOX. Jane M to look into skip the depot and Natasha will look into raffle box.
6.2 Heather asked the PTA to approve funds up to \$7000 to install two water bottle fillers in the school. The older style water fountains are closed due to COVID. Katherine made a motion to approve this expenditure, Jane McD seconded the motion. All in favour – passed.

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