

School Council Meeting #1 – September 23rd, 2020

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

Attendance

Paul Tokar, Dwayne Vodden, Phil Campbell, Terry Volk, Jenn Krawchuk, Richard Carr, Aman Rana, Jason Waywood, Angela Yung, Shanley Mercer, Helen Ajayi, April Bernath, Karen Germaine, Andrea Padovani, Elizabeth Gilchrist, Hayley Stephen, Amanda O'Dea, Marianna Tsenekos, Michelle Comeau, Serena Sharrock-Wiggins, Alicia Fenton Veronica Panergo. Analyn Abendan

Meeting Notes:

Theresa Volk

– *Excellence in Catholic Education Award*

Admin Report

IB Auth. Visits

Nov 26th-27th PYP Visit (virtual)

Dec 3rd & 4th MYP Visit (virtual)

Teams from IB have been selected

They will be looking at:

Unit planners

Program of Inquiry

Classroom "Teams" visits

Photo/Video displaying standards

Meeting all required standards and practices

Will need Parents willing to talk about implementation.

"What has IB brought to our school?"

All training is online courses

Workings towards ensuring staff are at least lvl 1 IB

Registration/Staffing/Budget

Goals: Low class sizes

Added Classes in K,1,4,6,7 by shuffling teachers/increase teaching staff by 2

Lean budget, but will be ok for year

1 x Dedicated Replacement teacher per school

Increase in teacher absences expected since they have to isolate even if they display mild cold symptoms

People stay home until providing negative Covid-test after symptoms/illness

No parent volunteers at this time

SCHOOL PARTY when back to normal promised

Fire drill evacuated in less than 2 minutes! Good Job!

Annual Requirement of 6 Fire Drill/6 Lockdown Drills

Goals/Priorities

Starting School Plan for Continuous Growth

School Goals and priorities

Increase Standard of Excellence

First Nations students are successful

Recognize cultural awareness & support calls to action

Cont. Provide optimal learning environment

Deploy resources efficiently/effectively

Agenda:

Calendar of Events

Opening Celebration

1 class participated in Chapel

Other classrooms celebrated in place

Picture Day (@ BDMS)

Friday, September 25th

Thanksgiving Celebration

Friday, October 9th

Halloween

(Friday, Oct 30, Classroom parties, No Dance)

Traffic Update

Speeding/crowding/illegal Parking

All improving (by decreasing)

Creating a safer environment

By-Law enforcement has been around more often keeping things safe.

Action Items:

Elections for School Council Executive held:

Chairperson: Dwayne Vodden

Vice Chairperson: Aman Rana

Secretary: Paul Tokar

Q&A

- *Will PAT's be done as usual*
 - *Math and Language are only PAT's currently scheduled*
- *How has COVID-19 affected options classes?*
 - Options classes are NOT available online and in-class protocol has no change.
- *How has this affected funding?*
 - There is no effect on the budget, these classes are driven solely by the fees associated with them.
- *Will there be a difference with at home or at school grades?*
 - Lessons are taught the same way
 - Should not be a wide gap
- *Halloween loot bags for kids?*
 - Currently, it is not permitted for the passage of items between students, even store bought sealed candy at the moment.
 - Looking into options
- *Co-ordinating confirmations for Gr6?*
 - Currently looking into it hoping to get info in a timely fashion.

Next Meeting: October 28 2020 @ 6pm