VIRTUAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
April 6, 2021 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Attendance:
Present: Terri-Lynn Geisel, Elise Sine, Cynthia Sehl, Eunice Salubi, Karyn Zister, Angela O’Brien, Alicia Kowalski, Samira Gancevich, Diane Gladding, Michelle Wiszniowski and Meaghan Zmija
Regrets: Gayle Lankowski

1. Opening Prayer – Michelle
   Approval of February CSAC minutes - Alicia
2. Principal’s Opening Remarks – Terri-Lynn

School Highlights since last meeting
- **Gathered to Become** Pastoral Plan~ Chrysalis / Butterfly Activities – week of March 22 – 26
  - Theme of Transformation as the foundation of activities
  - Chrysalis displayed in front foyer initially
  - Butterfly emerged on Tuesday
  - Classrooms participated in a variety of activities throughout the week
  - Religion Consultant, John Murphy hosted a virtual meeting for our Jr./Int. classes re: Bugs in the Bible and St. John’s Bible
  - Experiential Learning Consultant, Michael Leonard hosted a 3D printing session of butterflies / crosses using Tinkercad software

Tiny Homes Fundraiser update
- OLOL CSAC contributed $750
- Families also donated using School Cash online for a grand total of $1,890.
- A wonderful donation to support our own community
- Fundraiser ended on March 31
- Funds have been transferred to St. Mary’s Parish

St. Isidore Virtual School Update
- All class configurations remained the same (March 8, 2021)
- OLOL had 1 student transfer to St. Isidore and 3 students returned to OLOL
- Next year St. Isidore will continue - all families are required to request this option in March and confirm in June
- No transition windows will be available as it is a full year commitment.
- This is required for stability of staffing and classroom configurations.

Sacraments
- OLOL Sacraments: all covid protocols are in place for the safety of all
- As per direction from Diocese - all Parishes now take the lead on Sacramental Preparation in partnership with families.
- Reconciliation was received on Saturday February 27
- First Eucharist is scheduled for Tuesday April 20 (Miss Knoop) and Thursday April 22 (Mrs. Forhan)
- Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday May 8 at 12:00 pm (5 guests permitted)

Coding at Home - Catholic Education Week
- In collaboration with Michael Leonard, families will be given the opportunity to participate in a virtual coding at home evening using Microbits
- St. Brigid, St. Boniface, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Clement schools will also be participating in this event
- Families will sign up on a google doc to attend according to the division of their children
Spots are limited so we will maintain a waitlist should a family’s commitment to the evening change.

K-3 students is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

Gr. 4-8 students will participate Thursday, May 6 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

Please watch for communication about the event during the week of April 19 - 23 via Newswire.

Registered families will receive their assigned Microbit kit the day prior to the scheduled event; families are asked to return the kits the next school day.

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**Nutrition for Learning: September 2021: Contact Tania Moser**

- Will be providing this support for students and families next year.
- Due to COVID - only non-perishable food now available.
- Staff will make an order - NFL delivered to the school.
- Pre-packaged for individual students.
- Sarah Chidiac and Lori Costigan have volunteered to be our staff contacts.
- Will use the servery to organize and distribute the food.

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**Financial Report: Samira**

- Only spending has been the $750 for Tiny Homes donation.

**Gr. 8 Money for Awards**

- OLOL has not had a fundraiser this year due to safety protocols.
- Funding for Graduation must come from SGF – not budget.
- Therefore requesting $500 to cover grade 8 awards / Honour Roll / decorations /
- Grade 8 Graduation will continue to be virtual this year.
- Plans are yet to be finalized.
- CSAC suggests the purchase of a tree and a plaque to mark an evergreen tree that was already purchased for our graduations.
- Approval is provided for $500 and an additional $250 for a tree and $100 for a plaque.
- Cynthia will take the lead to purchase the tree and plaque.

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**Report from Committees:**

**Memory Book Update - Karyn Zister**

- Despite covid restrictions we will move ahead as we know this is a valued keepsake for families - Thanks Karyn and Lindsey.
- 40 page yearbook with a middle stitch to secure.
- Cost will be $9 (lower cost due to reduced size, no lamination, no coil).
- Classroom Teachers and Lindsey M as liaison will be working quite diligently during the months of March and April to get as much done as possible (in preparation of another lockdown).
- For classroom pages this year, we have secured the individual photos from Life Touch as no class photos are available.
- Each classroom will be given 1 page of individual photos, and one page of creative freedom.
- Each teacher/student is creating an 8.5 x 11 page for their classroom.
- This is all done by hand, no computer skills necessary.
- Encouraging the input from students.
- Grade 8 Graduation Photos are occurring on April 6th according to the safety guidelines.
- St. Isidore Graduates were invited to participate before school started.

**Fundraising: Elise Sine**

- Flip Give PPT ~ Amazon fundraiser.
- Elise Sine will create an account and letter to be sent to our families.
- This letter to begin fundraising will be sent out this week to all families.
- The boulevard sign will also reflect this initiative.
- We will continue to remind families of three easy fundraisers: **Flip Give, Cobb Bakery and Factory Shoe**
- Elise to add to flyer for a monthly reminder - Please send to Deb Hergott.

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**Dates:**

Tuesday June 1

Closing Remarks & Adjourn