VIRTUAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 1, 2021  6:30 pm -7:30 pm

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

Opening Prayer – Terri-Lynn
Approval of April Minutes – Michelle

Principal’s Opening Remarks
Ministry of Education Update(s):

- Elementary Transition Survey allows the option for parents to elect for children to attend St. Isidore Virtual Elementary school is currently open
- families cannot miss the window of May 31 - June 3 if they want an online learning option for the Fall
- it is a full-year commitment to allow for less class disruption for students

Student Belongings:

- pending a return to in-person learning before the end of the school year, OLOL will provide direction / date for students to retrieve personal belongings, return technology, picking up student medication
- need to follow the protocols in place (re: physical / social distancing, frequent handwashing, stay home if feeling unwell, minimizing the number of people in the building at one time, no additional people accompanying

Term 2 Report Cards:
- pending a return to in-person learning before the end of the school year, an invitation by alpha for families to stop by the school to pick up report cards

Meet the Teacher TBD

- may schedule a virtual event pending Health & Safety requirements
- may postpone until the spring if Health & Safety protocols allow a large group gathering

Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation:

- scheduled for families to attend virtually on Thursday, June 3, 2021 ~ 6:00 - 7:00 pm
- important resources are available for families on the Welcome to Kindergarten tab of the school’s website under the ‘About Us’ tab
- choosing a live virtual event rather than a recorded information session to allow for dialogue and questions

Virtual Coding at Home Event

- this virtual event was originally planned for Catholic Education Week
• however, had to be postponed due to unavailability of MicroBits
• hopefully, we will be able to pursue this event next year

Financial Reports Update: Samira
• no change in financial status
• have a balance of approximately $3,000 now
• still need to provide funds for grade 8 graduation
• need to keep a reserve of $1000 for the possibility of playground repairs
• should have a balance of approximately $2,000
• this balance will roll over to next year

FlipGive / Fundraising Update: Elise
• 14 families signed up very quickly – great news
• We have generated approximately $200 already
• A new letter is being created to remind families via newswire
• Suggestion of using screen shots or perhaps a video to help families with a visual step by step to encourage families to sign up
• This recommendation was received positively and a revision to the next communication will be made

Graduation Tree and Plaque -Cynthia V
• Riverside Brass has created a virtual design of the plaques with the message “Keep the Flame Alive in your Journey"
• Not sure when the plaque will be produced but hoping before the end of the year
• Cost is approximately $225
• The tree is also being purchased and hoping it will be planted before the end of June
• Possibly the week of June 24th

Yearbook Update - Karyn
• Proofs have been made & have be sent to the printer.
• 125 copies being made.
• Ensure that each grade 8 graduate receives a yearbook even if they do not purchase
• CSAC will subsidize if necessary

Chair’s Report – Michelle and Eunice
• A summary of the CSAC Chairs’ Report is shared by Michelle
• This is a Ministry of Education requirement
• The events that CSAC was able to be involved in this year has been diminished due to Health and Safety Protocols
• The report will be shared by Terri-Lynn to the Board Office on behalf of School Council

Proposed Dates for 2021- 2022 Catholic School Advisory Council Meetings: Terri-Lynn

• Meet the Teacher Family BBQ –TBD
• Tuesday, September 28, 2021
• Tuesday, November 2, 2021 -TBD for Commissioning of School Council Chairs
• Tuesday, December 7, 2021
• Tuesday, January 4, 2022
• Thursday, February 24, 2022- Reserve for PRO Grant Evening
• Tuesday, April 5, 2022
• Tuesday June 7, 2022- CSAC Meeting followed by Social
Upcoming School Events

- June 28 – Reports cards to be sent home
- June 29 – last day of school
- September 1 and 2 – PA days
- September 7 – first day of school

Sincere thanks to Co-Chairs Eunice and Michell and Executive members Alicia and Samira and all of our parent / staff / community reps for your dedication and commitment to the OLOL School community and The Catholic School Advisory Council. Together we are better.