

**ST. PATRICK REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL  
REGIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

PRESENT: Adrian Schwarz, Dorothy Kwan, Jason Nguyen, Jean DeHaan, Jean Lozano, Luisa Graham, Michael Sanderson, Penny Harris, Stephanie Troughton, Fr. James Hughes, Ralph Gabriele, Izabela Zakrzewska,

REGRETS: Chris/Lisa Hennebery, Dimas Craveiro, Lee Nguyen, Raymund Lames

ABSENT: Melinda Tolentino

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM.

**1. Faith Formation**

Jean DeHaan led Faith Formation – Session 6 – Hearing and Doing.

**2. Parent Portal demonstration**

Dana Lupynis gave a demonstration of the portal. She asked that the committees ensure that they are getting information about work needed into the portal, in order to ensure that parents are being given the opportunity to get their volunteer hours and to assist in the billing of hours not done.

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

Penny Harris presented the minutes from the Jan 2019 REC meetings. Stephanie Troughton moved that the minutes be approved. Jean DeHaan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**4. Correspondence not covered in reports**

Ms. Ruge and Ms. Ignacio will take the two girls who proposed wearing pants to Top Ten.

**5. Committee Reports:**

**Monthly Financial Statements**

Dorothy Kwan presented the unaudited financial statement ending Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Income from registration fees was higher than expected, due to underbudgeting. Luisa Graham moved that the statements be approved as presented. Jean Lozano seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Fundraising**

Jean DeHaan has the tickets, which are a much better format. We have an updated form for getting the tickets out to the students. Jean needed some clarification from Dorothy about whether the school could pay with a check and be reimbursed by the PSG when funds are available. Jean says that we will push more for parish sales and try to get into malls.

Jean raised the question of required fundraising again. It will affect participation hours. In general, the feeling was that we should not be doing this for various reasons.

Penny suggested that top 10 ticket sellers before AGM get to go to the front of the line for reregistration. Top seller gets tickets for Chan.

Raffle money from last year was used for the weight room, school play, choir tour, and other extracurricular activities.

#### **6. Principal's Report:**

Ralph Gabriele presented his report to the REC. --- SEE ATTACHED: "*Principal's Report*"

Ramps, stairs, railings, skirt and internals are being worked on. We are still waiting on the occupancy permit before some of the electrical, wireless, etc can be done.

#### **7. Staff Report:**

Nothing more to report.

#### **8. Chair's Report:**

Penny Harris presented her report to the REC.

#### **9. Archbishop's Representative's Report:**

Fr. James and Dimas had a meeting with the new infrastructure director. The former Finance Director retired and the job description has been changed. Sean Rodriguez sees challenges as well as opportunities in the process of building a new school. The building committee will see if there is a rezoning opportunity. Fr. James, Ralph, and Dimas will talk with the neighbor about our ideas and see if he can be persuaded to sell at a more reasonable price. The Archbishop has indicated that there is a magic number for purchasing the property. There will be a financial feasibility study done. Some work is being done toward hiring someone to organize alumni, as a step toward a development officer.

The chaplain, Nick Meisl, provided a report to Fr. James. He has been working with staff on a bible study, visiting classes on Fridays, reconciliation, etc. He has been part of Encounter weekends and gave a talk on Science and Religion during Science Week.

#### **10. Other Business:**

a) AGM Date Change and Guest Speaker  
Wednesday April 17.

It has been suggested to ask Shimi Kang to speak on anxiety in students.

#### **11. Closing Prayer**

Fr. James led the REC in a closing prayer.

#### **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Michael Sanderson, REC Secretary.

**NEXT REC MEETING:**

**WEDNESDAY, Mar 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
7:00 p.m. in the MRC**

St Patrick Regional Secondary  
Regional Education Committee

**Chair's Report**  
**February, 2019**

I hope that everyone had good break and enjoyed Family Day.

I have been working on the Parent Hours from last year and we have had some small successes with collections but more success in solving the issues. We will cover this in detail in the meeting.

The following dates are those of the REC meetings and AGM for the remainder of the year. Please consider if you would like to combine the April 17 meeting with the AGM as we did last year.

Wednesday March 13

Wednesday April 10 - AGM

Wednesday April 17

Wednesday May 15

Wednesday June 12

Please mark your calendars.

God bless,

**Penny Harris**

Chairperson Regional Education Committee



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## Principal's Report to the Regional Education Committee

February 13, 2019

### STUDENTS

- A group of students visited Nissei HS in Japan from January 18<sup>th</sup> to February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Value Project conference – Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Annual School Play February 17<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> at the Cultch. (**Outsiders**)
- Anti-bullying Pink Shirt day will be February 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Good luck to our Basketball teams as they participate in the playoffs this month.
- Grade 9 Retreat March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- KBE grade 8, new students and new staff March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Pancake Breakfast on March 5<sup>th</sup> - Ash Wednesday Mass March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Grade 10 and 11 Whistler ski trip March 7 and 8.
- Shamrock Dance Competition on March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The Peer counselors host the **Anti-Violence** workshop on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

### STAFF

- 5 staff members will be attending LA congress in March.
- Teacher position openings and letters of intent.

### CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

- Catholic Schools Week (February 11 – February 15) See the BC Catholic for more information.
- The school will be closed from **February 14 - 18 for the Catholic Educators Conference and Family Day.**
- **Career Day March 12<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Student scheduling will begin soon:** there will be student and parent meetings (please check your calendars).

### PARENTS AND COMMUNITY

- Report cards were issued on February 8<sup>th</sup> and we will hold our **PTI** February 26<sup>th</sup>.
- **Gr. 8 Application** process has begun. Confirmation of acceptance is scheduled for March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Coaches and Parents Spring Athletic Meeting March 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Saint Patrick's Day prayer service March 15<sup>th</sup>.

### FACILITY

- Portable update (Dimas)

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Ralph Gabriele*