

**ST. PATRICK REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL
REGIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Mar 13th, 2019**

PRESENT: Dimas Craveiro, Dorothy Kwan, Jean DeHaan, Lee Nguyen, Michael Sanderson, Penny Harris, Raymund Lames, Stephanie Troughton, Fr. James Hughes, Ralph Gabriele, Izabela Zakrzewska

REGRETS: Adrian Schwarz, Jean Lozano, Luisa Graham,

ABSENT: Chris/Lisa Hennebery, Jason Nguyen, Melinda Tolentino

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM.

1. Faith Formation

Lee Nguyen led Faith Formation – Session 7 – Listening to God’s Voice

2. Approval of Minutes:

Penny Harris presented the minutes from the Feb 2019 REC meetings. Dimas Craveiro moved that the minutes be approved. Stephanie Troughton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Correspondence not covered in reports

Ralph received an email regarding an asbestos management plan, which was prepared by the company that did the assessment of the school. Ralph says that there is one area that we need to fix, though Jack thinks there are more areas that should be fixed. Above the stage, there is a pipe that needs work done on it. Dimas noted that some schools are tagging areas with asbestos, but Ralph says that there was nothing done with respect to tagging.

4. Committee Reports:

Monthly Financial Statements

Dorothy Kwan presented the unaudited financial statement ending Jan 31st, 2019. Lee Nguyen moved that the statement be approved as presented. Jean DeHaan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dorothy Kwan presented the unaudited financial statement ending Feb 28th, 2019. The surplus has decreased some, but nothing unexpectedly. Lee moved that the statement be approved as presented. Stephanie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fundraising

Jean DeHaan reported that every parish has been called to host selling of raffle tickets, with only one declining because they have their own fundraiser running at the same time. There are possibly 5 parishes for the last weekend of April and the portal has been updated with hours. Ralph says that the staff are aware of the tickets and will help sell them. Jean says that we haven’t been getting tickets out to parents as well as we did last year.

Building Committee

Dimas says the ramp and stairs are done for the portable, and the city is open to using the washrooms in the gymnasium/cafeteria instead of putting any in the portable.

New pricing for a 650 student school with some underground parking - \$38.3 million. Construction costs are rising at 9% per year. Very large construction projects are starting in the province over the next few years and we'll possibly be competing with these projects depending upon timing. This cost doesn't include any off-site costs (upgrade of intersection at Quebec and 12th for example, sewer or water changes, ...).

5. Principal's Report:

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

Ralph noted that we may be moving to an online registration system for next year. Grade 8 enrolment is about 82 right now, but he hopes to get up to at least 92. There are fewer grade 7 students this year in general, so the decrease is not something just St. Patrick is experiencing. There will be ads in several newspapers indicating that we still have limited space.

6. Staff Report:

Nothing more to report.

7. Chair's Report:

Penny Harris presented her report to the REC. Penny and Dana are looking to rebuild how the parent participation mechanisms work to improve the processes.

8. Archbishop's Representative's Report:

Fr. James says things went well on Ash Wednesday and they are preparing for the penitential service after spring break. We are making headway on the construction of a new school. The process of financial costing is beginning and Fr. James is working toward meeting with the owner of the property. Archdiocese is looking toward centralizing purchasing and addressing some historic issues around purchases.

Father indicated that we need to begin working on future membership of the REC.

9. Other Business:

a) AGM Date Change and Guest Speaker
Tuesday April 16, 2019 @ 6:30 PM.

10. Closing Prayer

Ralph led the REC in a closing prayer.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Michael Sanderson, REC Secretary.

NEXT REC MEETING:
TUESDAY, Apr 16th, 2019
5:30 p.m. in the MRC

St Patrick Regional Secondary

Chair's Report

Regional Education Committee

March, 2019

I wanted to thank Dana Lupynis again for her presentation last month. She is already seeing an improvement in Portal usage and stats. I have been working with her to get the data cleaned up and have a much more streamlined system in place moving forward.

I would ask that all of us speak with our parishes to assist Jean with securing dates for the sale of tickets after mass. We all need to work together to make the raffle a success. Let's commit to improving on our numbers from last year. WE CAN DO IT!!!

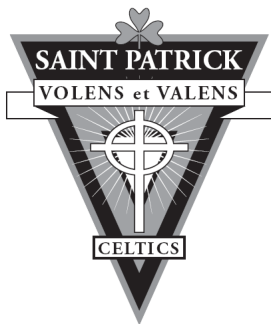
Finally, don't forget that the REC and AGM date is April 16 at 6 and 7 PM.

Please mark your calendars.

God bless,

Penny Harris

Chairperson Regional Education Committee



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Principal's Report to the Regional Education Committee

March 13, 2019

STUDENTS

- ☘ **Shamrock Dance Competition** was a huge success!
- ☘ Several students will be travelling to France and Italy during Spring Break. (Zahar – French/Languages)
- ☘ **Badminton, Ultimate and Girls' soccer season** has begun – good luck to all athletes.
- ☘ **Grade 8 and Junior Boys Basketball** (*Provincials*)
- ☘ Grade 8 and 9 Ski and Snowboard Club March 15th.
- ☘ **Girls soccer to Hawaii** – March 18 -26.
- ☘ **Grade 9** Religion classes Synagogue visit – April 4th.
- ☘ **Autism Awareness Week April 1-5.**
- ☘ **Choir in Chicago – Festival of Gold** (April 6 – 11)
- ☘ **PAWS Week:** April 9-13th.
- ☘ **April 17 – Grade 10 (Think Fast) Retreat.**

STAFF

- ☘ **Letter of intent for teachers** are due on April 15th 2018
- ☘ LA Congress (5 staff members to attend)

CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

- ☘ Course selection and offerings for next year have begun.
- ☘ The Peer counselors host the **Anti-Violence** workshop on March 14th.
- ☘ Euclid Math Contest April 3rd.

PARENTS AND COMMUNITY

- ☘ Saint Patrick Prayer service March 15th.
- ☘ **Registration Packages** for returning students are due back **April 16th during our AGM (REC help required.)**
- ☘ Holy Thursday Prayer Service will take place on April 18th.
- ☘ Please continue to view and promote the Weekly Reminders and Newsletter with parents.

FACILITY

- ☘ Portable update
- ☘ Cement and other renovations during Spring Break.

OTHER

- ☘ **Gr. 8 Enrolment – Update.**

Thank-you
Ralph Gabriele