

**ST. PATRICK REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL
REGIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Nov 21, 2018**

PRESENT: Dorothy Kwan, Jason Nguyen, Jean DeHaan, Lee Nguyen, Melinda Tolentino, Michael Sanderson, Penny Harris, Raymund Lames, Stephanie Troughton, Ralph Gabriele, Izabela Zakrzewska

REGRETS: Adrian Schwarz, Chris Hennebery, Dimas Craveiro, Jean Lozano, Fr. James Hughes

ABSENT: Luisa Graham

Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM.

1. Faith Formation

Lee Nguyen led Faith Formation.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Penny Harris presented the minutes from the Oct 2018 REC meetings. Lee Nguyen moved that the minutes be approved. Jason Nguyen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Correspondence not covered in reports

None.

4. Committee Reports:

Monthly Financial Statements

Dorothy Kwan presented the unaudited financial statement ending Oct 31st, 2018. Lee moved that the statements be approved as presented. Raymund Lames seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fundraising

Jean DeHaan will be meeting with the core group next week. The raffle application is in, but pending. No approval has been received yet, but Jean doesn't anticipate issues. One fundraising member has suggested another fundraising option: Grandma's Pantry(?) where orders are done online and the school gets a percentage. The general sense was that it seemed to be holiday oriented and, in general, the REC wasn't particularly interested. A similar fundraising effort with IGA cards had been done in the past, with very limited success.

Building

Lee presented Dimas' emailed report to the REC. Everything is ready on our end for receiving the portables.

5. Principal's Report:

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

6. Staff Report:

Izabela and Ralph have been visiting schools. Izabela gets a sense that there is interest in the school, but it remains to be seen if they will come. The students attending on the schools behalf talk about the community that is present in the school, and how the Grade 12s don't want to graduate. Ralph is finding that the schools are promoting St. Pats well.

7. Chair's Report:

Penny Harris presented her report to the REC. --- SEE ATTACHED: "*Chair's Report*"

8. Archbishop's Representative's Report:

Fr. James was not present.

9. Other Business:

a) CISVA AGM

Stephanie reported on the CISVA AGM. She was surprised by how many people were there, but she hadn't been there in the past. The Archbishop talked about schools not meeting the earthquake standards, and enrolment being down.

b) Parent Participation Billing update

Penny is going through parent hours from last year to sort them out and deal with billing. We need to ensure that parent hours are posted in January so that they know how many hours they have remaining.

10. Closing Prayer

Ralph Gabriele led the REC in a closing prayer.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Michael Sanderson, REC Secretary.

NEXT REC MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, Dec 12th, 2018

7:00 p.m. in the MRC

St Patrick Regional Secondary

Chair's Report

Regional Education Committee

November, 2018

On November 6 Stephanie Troughton and I had the opportunity to attend the CISVA AGM. I had an opportunity to speak with a few other Chairs and active REC members. As we all know, we are not unique in our struggle to get our REC membership numbers up. I encourage all of you invite any parents that may be interested in serving the school to contact me directly.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Harris



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Principal's Report to the Regional Education Committee

November 14, 2018

STUDENTS

- WALK-A-THON: Raised \$40,000.00.
- Model UN Conference October 26-28 in Whistler.
- The post-secondary liaison day took place on October 30.
- Remembrance Day Assembly was on November 9th – it was extremely well done –thank-you to the students, and staff who organized this event.
- We welcomed our friends from Fukushima High School Japan on November 8-9. It was a great two days of cultural appreciation and friendship.
- The winter sports season is gearing up. Good luck to our basketball players and wrestlers.
- Gr. 8 Anti-bullying workshop on November 22.
- Model UN Week November 5-9.
- PAWS Week November 13-16.
- Our second Encounter Retreat (57) will be held on November 23-26.
- Value Project Week November 27-30.
- We will have a group from Nissei Japan visiting us on December 7, 2018
- Our teams will be participating in several basketball tournaments at the end of November and early December. Please see the calendar for all the dates.

STAFF

- Staff REC Christmas Lunch. (*Last year Tuesday, December 12. This year Dec. 11?*)
- We wish Ms. Maria James all the best as she moves on from her career at St. Pat's. We are currently seeking a full time replacement and interviews will take place soon.
- Pro-D: October 19th saw most staff members attend a workshop. Many continue to upgrade through professional development opportunities throughout the year. All teaching staff will be attending a networking workshop at Notre Dame on November 23.

CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

- CSL Reports will be distributed on November 16.
- Thank you to all involved in student services – teachers, advisors, counselors and administrators have been busy dealing with student needs as they arise.
- Grade 8 Trimester change took place on November 5. The Grade 9 trimester change will be on November 22.
- EEWS drill (10/18), Lock Down drill and Fire drill (TBA).

PARENTS AND COMMUNITY

- Please continue to read our weekly newsletters.
- Traffic parent volunteer concerns.
- November 6 Elementary feeder school Principal's and Grade 7 teacher's lunch.
- Elementary school visits will start next week November 19-22.

FACILITY

- Minor roof issues being resolved.
- 6 new microwaves purchased for Cafeteria.
- New cabinet doors and drawers installed in Cafeteria Kitchen.

Thank you,

Ralph Gabriele