



## St Patrick School Parent Advisory Committee

### January 20, 2022

<b>Meeting Time and Date:</b>	Called to Order January 20, 2022 at 7:00pm
<b>Meeting Place:</b>	Virtually via Google Meet
<b>Attendees:</b>	Heather Zarski, Michelle Nantias, Janelle Evenson, Heather Parker, Anne Driver, Skylar Prevost, Stacy Ellert, Mandy Dux
<b>Minutes kept by:</b>	Anne Driver
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Stacy Ellert
<b>Review &amp; Approval of Minutes from November 18, 2021 Meeting</b>	Janelle Evenson made a motion to adopt the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Mandy Dux. All in favour. <b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>Correspondence:</b>	None received
<b>Additions to Agenda:</b>	Nothing added
<b>REPORTS</b>	
<b>Principal's Report</b>	<p>Presented by Michelle Nantias and Stacy Ellert</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Initiative between Camrose Public Library and St. Patrick School has commenced as students who signed up received their own library card.</li><li>● Despite another year of a virtual Christmas concert it went well and the students enjoyed practicing and recording their performances.</li><li>● CORE students brought Christmas packages to residents at RoseAlta lodge.</li><li>● Face2Face Ministries came to the school in December. The students enjoyed their presentation.</li><li>● Thank you to the Parent Council for the Christmas cookies. Students enjoyed the activity on the last day of class before the Christmas break.</li><li>● New and Upcoming events (presented by Michelle Nantias)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ New Covid related health procedures and protocols are in place and students have adjusted well. Elk Island Catholic is still waiting for our government funded masks and rapid test kits to arrive. Superintendent Shawn Haggarty is keeping in daily contact with the ministry about the delay. Absence due to Covid has not yet affected student or staff attendance significantly.</li><li>○ Grade 4 Saints Basketball noon program has commenced.</li><li>○ A new initiative, The Polar Bear Club, is being offered to K-4 students who have signed permission slips. This program offers the opportunity to go outside during recesses that fall below -25C.</li><li>○ Kindergarten registration opens February 1st and advertising will soon commence. The same programming as the current year will be offered as well as a new 5 day, full day kindergarten program that will involve an additional fee.</li><li>○ A thank you to the council for providing the gifts for the winners of the greeting card drawing concert.</li></ul></li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Literacy and Numeracy Groups (presented by Stacy Ellert) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Grade 1 assessment will begin for all grade 1 students.</li> <li>○ Grade 4's will be introduced to guided reading groups. These groups will help with literacy development on top of their usual Language Arts curriculum.</li> <li>○ PD - Number talks. Teachers are asking the children to explain their strategy in solving numeracy problems and equations. Doing so helps the students to develop greater number sense.</li> <li>○ PD on promoting mental health continues as well.</li> <li>○ Admin and staff are working on some Olympic themed activities as the Winter Olympics are approaching</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Account balance is \$13 677.25. Hot lunch payment withdrawal will come out on January 28.
<b>STANDING ITEMS</b>	
<b>Hot Lunch</b>	Hot Lunch orders will open in February and will be for the months of February and March.
<b>Yearbook</b>	No update
<b>Breakfast Program</b>	No update
<b>Facebook</b>	No update
<b>OLMP</b>	Fundraising endeavours will continue. Council was disappointed to hear that OLMP was denied the grant the school had hoped to receive to aid in the funding of the new playground.
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Christmas activities debrief: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The pre-packaged christmas cookies and decorating kit was a huge success. They were easy to distribute and the kids enjoyed getting each their own package. There were some cookies left over as buses that day were cancelled but the extras were easily distributed. Total cost for the Christmas Cookie kits: \$680</li> <li>○ Sharing Tree was very successful and saw more donations this year than seen in recent years. The Open Door was very grateful. A huge thank you to all who gave so generously.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Funding requests: Janelle Evenson put forward the motion <b><u>that a \$1000 donation be given to the school for the purchase of winter/snow play equipment.</u></b> The motion was seconded by Heather Parker. <b>All in favour. MOTION CARRIED.</b></li> <li>● Administration is hopeful that Valentine's Day cards will be permitted this year as there is no longer set protocol for isolating items from home.</li> </ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The council prepares to welcome Trustee Shelly Charchun to the February Meeting</li> <li>● Shrove Tuesday is March 1. Administration is looking into the possibilities/options of how to celebrate with Pancakes.</li> </ul>

<b>Round Table Discussion</b>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	February 17, 2022
<b>Adjournment</b>	7:33 PM

Thank you to everyone for joining!