



## St Patrick School Parent Advisory Committee

March 17, 2022

<b>Meeting Time and Date:</b>	Called to Order March 17, 2022 at 7:02pm
<b>Meeting Place:</b>	Both in person at the school and virtually via Google Meet
<b>Attendees:</b>	Heather Zarski, Michelle Nantias, Janelle Evenson, Heather Parker, Anne Driver, Stacy Ellert, Mandy Dux
<b>Minutes kept by:</b>	Anne Driver
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Michelle Nantias
<b>Review &amp; Approval of Minutes from November 18, 2021 Meeting</b>	Heather Parker made a motion to adopt the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Janelle Evenson All in favour. <b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>Correspondence:</b>	Thank You card from Breakfast Club for donation. Thank You card from St Patrick School Staff and Students for the Shrove Tuesday pancakes.
<b>Additions to Agenda:</b>	Nothing added

### REPORTS

<b>Principal's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Current Initiatives (presented by Stacey Ellert)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Shrove Tuesday was a great success and students enjoyed the breakfast.</li><li>○ That same day the school had their first school wide trip to Peter Loughheed since pre-pandemic times. The presentation the children were invited to was a great experience.</li><li>○ The students celebrated Ash Wednesday service at the school</li><li>○ March 17th the staff and students went to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church to celebrate Mass in honor of the school's patron saint - St. Patrick.</li><li>○ Other Lenten activities currently underway: Prayer centres, chapel time and collecting for Lent-a-Hand (Lurana Shelter).</li><li>○ School administrators are looking into the potential for students to have swimming lessons at the aquatic centre. It is hopeful that something will be in place for May and June.</li></ul></li><li>● New and Upcoming events (presented by Michelle Nantias)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The school wide buddy system has been reinstated and the children are enjoying having buddies from other grades.</li><li>○ March 23 and 24 will be Student Led Conferences. Teachers are excited to welcome parents back into the classroom.</li><li>○ Tournament of books will commence in May. Any theme for books has yet to be determined. It will return to readers coming to the school in person.</li><li>○ Stations of the Cross: having it outside was enjoyed by participants last year and so will be continued as an outdoor activity this year. It will be opened up to the parent and parish community as well.</li><li>○ In April there will be an open house for those interested in Kindergarten in the Fall. Administration is hoping to spread the</li></ul></li></ul>
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	<p>word for any community members whose children are not yet registered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Breakfast Club: has returned to the Leadership Program to facilitate.</li> <li>○ OLMP Volunteers will be welcomed back into classrooms on their Fridays off.</li> <li>○ Administrators have received the results of the Assurance Survey with very favourable results. Overall scores were very high. Even with a high score for parental involvement, administrators welcome ideas for engaging parents.</li> </ul>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Account balance is \$11 378.06. Hot lunch payment withdrawal will come out from current balance as well as one more outstanding cheque.
<b>STANDING ITEMS</b>	
<b>Hot Lunch</b>	Hot Lunch will continue to be once a month for the duration of the current year with intent to increase frequency in the 2022-2023 school year. Hot Lunch Coordinator Heather Parker is inquiring and hoping to add other vendors who may offer some healthier options. April's Hotlunch will be Chopped Leaf.
<b>Yearbook</b>	The current year's Yearbook is in its final stages of completion.
<b>Breakfast Program</b>	No update
<b>Facebook</b>	No update
<b>OLMP</b>	Fundraising endeavours will continue. Council has reapplied for a grant to help subsidise the cost of a new playground and are also awaiting updated quotes.
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Shrove Tuesday: The Parent Council spent \$306.86 to supply each student with a pancake breakfast. The breakfast was cooked by volunteers from the St. Francis Xavier chapter of the Knights of Columbus. Their involvement was much appreciated by the council.</li> </ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A request for a donation to the Tournament of Books was made by the Administration. A motion will be made once an estimated value can be determined.</li> <li>● Track and Field: the city wide event has not yet been announced however a school Track and Field Day will be organized.</li> <li>● The Parent Council is discussing the possibility of providing a student lunch near the end of the school year.</li> </ul>
<b>Round Table Discussion</b>	Members of the council expressed a desire to show some act of appreciation teachers before the end of the current school year.
<b>Next Meeting</b>	May 19, 2022
<b>Adjournment</b>	7:58 PM

Thank you to everyone for joining!

