



Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, June 4, 2018

5:00 PM - Dinner / 5:30 PM - Meeting/Teleconference Begins
 Teleconference Information Dial-In # 1-888-289-4573
 Access code: 7196118

School Council Chairs/Co-Chair Jenni Scott-Marciski - STH - CHAIR OLOF Candice Osadchuk - OLOL HAS Katherine Speziale / Ashley Gauthier - STM Sandy Williamson - STE Tara Patterson / Chantalle Kearns - HSS Jana Boracheff - STJ Stace Matasawagon - STB	CEC Member: Rima Mounayer Colleen Sheriff Sister Stephanie Romiti Principal Representative: Kim Figliomeni	Other Members: Bill McKay - Trustee Lawrence McParland - Trustee Lilliana McPherson - Trustee Shirley Jean - Trustee Amanda Monks - Trustee Jay Costa - OECTA Father Terry Sawchuk Valerie Auger
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Present

- Rima Mounayer
- Lawrence McParland
- Ashley Gauthier
- Shirley Jean
- Marline Ilijow
- Amanda Monks
- Jay Costa
- Valerie Auger
- Jenni Scott-Marciski
- Tara Patterson
- Sandy Williamson
- Maria Lapenskie - recorder

Welcome and Opening Liturgy

Our Father in heaven,
With infinite love and grace,
Change us the way You want us to be,
So we can honour the image and the spirit You have given us,
Let the world see Your love and grace through our action and life,
We are praying to You in our Lord Jesus' name. Amen

Acknowledgement

"We (I) would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather today is the ancestral territory of the Anishinaabe and the Metis. We (I) wish to recognize and show respect to the long history and contributions of the First Nations and Metis Peoples in Ontario, as well as, the Inuit People of Canada."

Agenda/Minutes

THAT the agenda for the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meeting held on June 4, 2018 be accepted as presented.

Moved By: Tara Patterson
Seconded By: Lawrence McParland

Carried.

THAT the minutes of the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meeting held on March 5, 2018 be accepted as presented.

Moved By: Amanda Monks
Seconded By: Shirley Jean

Carried.

Business Arising out of Minutes

New Business

1. PRO Grant Application - Rima Mounayer

PRO Grant application is due tomorrow. Rima presented the draft PRO grant application for group discussion. The proposal was completed during the meeting and emailed to PRO Grant. There was discussion on perhaps having this activity during school

Christmas Concert night or during Catholic Education Week. Parents were more interested in including the Techno Math Fun Night during Catholic Education Week.

2. Board Activities and Initiatives - Rima Mounayer

Experience Superior North: Rima summarized the week of ESN. There were 5 School Boards that participated this year. During the week the visiting students and chaperones stayed 3 nights in cabins in Geraldton. The week was geared to educating students on living in Northwestern Ontario and Native Culture activities.

The group then travelled to St. Hilary and St. Edward Schools. The history of Residential schools was discussed as well the students participated in tree planting. On the last day the group visited Fort William Historical Park in Thunder Bay.

A survey was completed by students and positive comments were received. Moving forward, we are looking at changing the model and having more of our own student involvement and assessing how we can enhance the activity for our students.

Faith Day: David Wells was our guest speaker and was an incredible inspiring speaker. Staff attending had sent emails and texts to Sister Stephanie and Rima with positive comments. Rima described the events of the day. It was a very positive day.

The next school year Faith Day will be October 19, 2018. We are looking at having Msgr Pat Stilla facilitate a teaching Mass session. Afterwards there would be breakout sessions for staff to choose from ie. curriculum, meditation, catholic values and teaching.

3. Moving Forward - Planning for CPIC 2018-19 - shared resources

Jenni started the discussion regarding the parent involvement in CPIC. The makeup of our committee was reviewed. We have more board members than parent members at the moment. It was discussed on how the committee was in the past. There was discussion that most families have both parents working, as well as the current time of the scheduled meeting.

Perhaps in the fall we could survey parents on what the best meeting time would be for parents to participate. Teleconference can be an option, with a face to face meeting held once a year. First we will need to see what the parent interest is. Moving forward, we will look at these changes.

[Supporting parent engagement in their children's learning](#)
[Making a Difference - A Practical Handbook for PIC Members](#)
[Parent Involvement Committee - General Information](#)

In September, we will send out a note to school councils on what timeframe is preferred for the CPIC meetings. A pamphlet will also be sent home. Rima mentioned if the members had gmail accounts, we could develop a brochure for all members to work on and finalize through google docs.

Future Agenda Items

1. PRO Grant status
2. Review Parent Involvement - perhaps a CPIC parent volunteer could visit school councils with information to share on the the CPIC committee.

Other Matters

1. Next Meeting Date: October 15, 2018 at 5:30

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:50