



## HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MARCH 26 2019 MEETING



Attendees: Ashley King (Co-Chair), Trish Gerth (Co-Chair); Paul Mendonca (Principal), Daniel Mastroianni (Vice Principal), Lisa Costa (Secretary), Angela Klepp (Treasurer), Rose Bettio (Community Rep), Patrizia DiGiantomasso (Teacher Rep)

Parent Members: Celeste Murphy, Geraline Laparan, Kathleen Lirusso, Alysha Davy, Kim Piche

Regrets: Bernadette Dietrich (Parish Rep), Crystal White (Teacher Rep), Alicia Melady

Topic	Discussion (Action items in bold)	Action Assigned to:
<p><b>1. Call to Order</b></p> <p>1.1 Opening Prayer</p> <p>1.2 Approval of Agenda</p> <p>1.3 Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>Meeting was called to order by T. Gerth at 8:30 pm.</p> <p>P. Mendonca lead the group in prayer.</p> <p>There were no additions/revisions to the Agenda. Agenda was approved as circulated.</p> <p>The Minutes of February 26 2019 were pre-circulated by email prior to the meeting and hard copies were available for review at the meeting. The minutes were motioned for approval by C. Murphy. Seconded by T. Gerth. All in favour. Approved as circulated. Approved minutes will be sent out via Newswire and posted on the school website.</p>	<p>Paul/Daniel</p>
<p><b>2. Principal/Vice Principal Report</b> P. Mendonca/EJ Hunt</p> <p>2.1 Use of Technology at Holy Spirit – Presentation by Mr. Luciani and Mr. Leonard</p> <p>2.2 Traffic/School Front Update</p>	<p>Paul introduced the guests. Michael Leonard described the Teacher Learning and Leadership Program (TLLP) program. The program funds proposals from classroom teachers seeking peer leadership roles in curriculum, instructional practice or supporting other teachers. The program has three goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create and support opportunities for teacher professional learning</li> <li>• Foster teacher leadership; and</li> <li>• Facilitate the sharing of exemplary practices with others for the broader benefit of Ontario's students.</li> </ul> <p>Six teachers from Holy Spirit participated in a co-learning model where they learned how to use spheros, microbits and a 3D printer. The Holy Spirit TLLP project focused on engaging and empowering students in the curriculum for math and technology. The program is very peer oriented. It builds creativity and perseverance in students. Mr. Luciani then went into further detail about how the learning from the TLLP program was brought back to the classroom by the student champions using the 3D printer.</p> <p>Great news to share – there has been a lot of success with the new process in the front of the school. There were some initial troubles in the first week with some people being upset, but this has settled and compliance is now good. Alex Ricci will be coming to meet with the school again. We will be pushing for the City of Cambridge and By-law Enforcement to follow</p>	

<p>2.3 Math Night Update</p> <p>2.4 Pastoral Team Update</p> <p>2.5 Foundation Update</p> <p>2.6 Lenten Food Drive</p>	<p>through on some of the recommendations that were made (i.e., painting lines and a second cross walk, etc.). One of the after school supervisors is currently acting as a crossing guard near McNicol, but we would still like a formal cross walk put in place. Paul and Daniel are committed to continuing to enforce the rules in order to ensure there is no regression in compliance.</p> <p>Math night was a huge success. Students had a great time. The Grab Bags were a big hit. Paul highlighted that the staff (teachers) were the driving force behind the success of the night and thanked them for the time and energy they put into making this such a great event.</p> <p>The Pastoral Team is attempting to source best prices for the big ticket items that need replacing. They are committed to spending the money but want to ensure they get the best value for the money.</p> <p>Paul sent an email on February 28<sup>th</sup> to request that the funds with the Board Foundation be reimbursed to school. The funds were returned on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The school will use these funds to purchase the uniforms, lego and outdoor equipment that were on the wish list.</p> <p>The Lenten Food Drive began on Monday and will continue until April 5<sup>th</sup>. All food collected will go to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.</p>	
<p><b>3. Chair's Report</b> T. Gerth/A. King</p>	<p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>4. Treasurer's Report</b> A. Klepp</p> <p>4.1 Update on recent transactions and account balances</p>	<p>All account balances noted below are as of March 26 2019.</p> <p><b>General Account Balance: \$9679.14</b> Recent General Account activity includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• -\$275.96 – Reconciliation &amp; 1<sup>st</sup> Communion receipts</li> <li>• +\$1500.00 - Greening Grant from ROW (to be transferred to Greening Account; balance after transfer will be \$8179.14.</li> </ul> <p><b>PIC Account Balance: \$0</b> No recent activity.</p> <p><b>PRO Grant Account Balance: \$-47.52</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• -\$84.47 - additional Math Night receipts submitted</li> </ul> <p>This brings the balance of the Pro Grant account to \$-47.52. This will be covered via the General Account.</p> <p><b>Greening Account Balance: \$1,466.42</b> \$1500 Greening Grant from the Region of Waterloo was deposited to the General Account, but will be transferred to Greening. Balance after transfer will be \$2966.42.</p>	
<p><b>5. Fundraising Report</b> K. Piche</p> <p>5.1 Easter Fundraiser /</p>	<p>Money and orders from the Terra Greenhouse fundraiser is starting to</p>	

Terra Greenhouse Flowers	come in. Kim will send out an update once all orders are in and money is counted.	
<b>6. Parish Report</b> Bernadette Dietrich  6.1 Bulletin and Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Children's Way of the Cross</b> on Friday, April 5 at 6:45 pm at St. Ambrose Church. Please join us for this Lenten devotion. Everyone is Welcome!</li> <li>- <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> (Confession) - This sacrament reconciles us with God and joins us to Him in intimate friendship. Available weekly on Wednesdays 6:00 -7:00 pm and Saturdays 9:00 am – 10:00am</li> <li>- <b>Hamilton Diocese Youth Rally</b> – Will be held at Bingeman's Centre in Kitchener on Saturday May 25. If your child is interested in attending, please contact Barb at the parish office so that a group from our parish can be registered together!</li> <li>- Much more information available in the Church Bulletin and on the church website – <a href="http://www.stambrosecambridge.ca">www.stambrosecambridge.ca</a></li> </ul>	
<b>7. Community Report</b> Rose Bettio (Kinbridge Community Association)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Summer Camps are now available. Rose distributed Summer Camp information sheets.</li> <li>- Anyone needing assistance with payment can be connected with an outreach worker</li> <li>- Regular programming continues.</li> </ul>	
<b>8. Other Business</b>  8.1 Food Truck Update          8.2 Fit Challenge	<p>Alicia has booked 4 food trucks for the 2019/20 Welcome BBQ: SWAT, Kono Pizza, Drive In BBQ and Beaver Tails. All have confirmed that they are nut free. Alicia suggested that Council could sell beverages at the event to make some extra money (water, juice and/or pop). The food trucks have indicated that they would be fine with this.</p> <p><b>Action: Decide at April meeting if Council wishes to sell beverages at the Welcome BBQ.</b></p> <p>Alicia has not been able to get picnic tables, but the idea of having music was discussed.</p> <p>It was suggested that Craig Deacon might be a possibility (he is the son of the schools former crossing guard). There may be a cost associated with this.</p> <p>Holy Spirit won the Fit Challenge within the Monsignor Doyle family of schools. We are not sure what the prize is yet. Holy Spirit is hoping to implement the PALS program next year. This program trains students to lead physical activities on the play round and gives them equipment to do so.</p> <p>It was noted that there were no intramurals this winter. Paul indicated that he still hopes to try to implement this for the spring in at least one of the divisions.</p> <p>There were questions about the Jump Start program (CORE) and the Soccer Dome program which have run in previous years. The Jump Start program was funded through a grant from Canadian Tire. There was no application for the grant this year.</p>	Ashley/Trish

<p>8.3 Important Dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 27 - Lenten Confessions</li> <li>• March 28 – The Great Big Crunch – part of the eco initiative to encourage litterless lunches. Sobeys has donated an apple for every student and all student will eat their apple at the same time.</li> <li>• April 8 – CCAT Grade 4 testing begins</li> <li>• April 19 – Good Friday</li> <li>• April 22 – Easter Monday</li> <li>• April 23 – CAT-4 Grade 7 testing begins</li> </ul>	
<p>8.4 Upcoming Meeting Dates</p>	<p>April 30 May 28</p>	

Meeting was adjourned at by at 7:48 pm.

**Next meeting:** April 30 2019 @ 6:30 pm.

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