



**Cloverdale**  
Catholic School

## Parish Education Committee Meeting

**13 April 2021**  
**Start: 7:00pm**

### Present:

Fr. Paul Chu  
Deborah Harms  
Francine Poelstra  
Jennifer Friesen  
Mike Fortino  
Michelle Williamson  
Jacqueline Johnson (Zoom)  
Chris Brant  
Clive Heah  
Agnes Krammer (Zoom)

### Agenda

**1. Opening Prayer (Francine Poelstra)**

**2. Pastor's Report (Fr. Paul)**

- Parish writing contest is underway, deadline for entries is May 1, 2021

**3. Chairperson's Report (Deborah Harms)**

- PEC elections will be taking place at end of September this year – good idea to let parents know about elections at AGM or in June. At August meeting the PEC will need to get the logistics organized
- PEC samples hot lunches from potential provider Fuel Up! Provider is a family run business who serves some Catholic schools as well as the Abbotsford School district. Provider does not have online ordering at this time and this would require us to organize the ordering on our end and submit the order list for our school. We want to avoid being the middle man for money and payment. If we wish to proceed, we will need to sort out logistics for ordering as well as parent volunteers to distribute the meals to the classrooms. Prices are relatively reasonable. Provider can do hot lunch daily/weekly/bi-weekly/monthly. Provider would like to see a \$200 order. Next step to conduct survey with parents to gauge interest in hot lunch program. In addition to the hot lunch program, the company offers a fundraising opportunities. Survey to go out with deadline a week prior to the next meeting.

- Guardian Angel Program (Francine) – Parish Guardian Angel Fund committee has not met yet to discuss the program. Typically three families access this program in a school year. The fund needs assistance to keep it sustainable to still be able to help families in need.

#### **4. Principal's Report (Clive Heah)**

- Kids are doing well with mask wearing and complying with the mandate. 60-70% of children in K-3 are wearing their masks. Caught-ya squad is still
- Walk-a-thon fundraising efforts is ongoing
- FSAs have been completed and scores submitted. The majority of the students in grade 4 and 7 are “on track” and meeting expectations
- School FOB system is now completed. Next step is to rekey the exterior doors so that we are starting new. All staff will have to use FOB so that we can track who is coming into the school
- Several of the iPads that were purchased years back are now obsolete. We have some that are the newer generation, but will have to purchase new ones to replace the old ones. They cannot be updated to the newer iOS. Fundraising money from Walkathon will go towards the purchase of new iPads
- The school has introduced the Parish St. Joseph writing contest to the students and three entries from each class will be submitted
- The students have been presenting their TED talks, poems and bible readings the last two weeks
- student council continues to take part in the Young Global Citizens movement and we have had lots of great interviews with many different personalities
- Early Intervention screening for incoming Kindergartens will be happening this month
- Garden beds have been resurrected by Mrs. Butler, her husband and several classrooms. We intend to have these garden beds put to good use this spring as the various classes will be planting and growing vegetables

#### **5. LAC Report (Agnes Krammer)**

- CISVA has reached out to schools to find out the needs with respect to assessment. Pam and Agnes are continuing to access clinics that provide psycho-educational assessments for students in need
- School based team meetings will continue next week. Focus will be on transitioning students into their next grade. Meeting will include the parents and child's team for next year
- One additional IEP has been added to provide support for a child
- Final round of assessments are being geared up from the LAC
- Gross motor program is on hold until September due to COVID protocols. Program will be a consistent support for children who need it in September and will be beneficial to them
- Agnes attended conference on the science of reading. Pam and Agnes are now researching rigorous phonics and reading programs to support the primary teachers

## **6. Treasurer's Report (Chris Brant)**

- Chris provided copy of the financial statement. Finances are on target for this time of year based on the budget.
- Next meeting PEC will approve the 2021-2022 operating budget

## **7. PFG Report (Jennifer Friesen)**

- YTD fundraising total is \$17,506
- Current fundraisers are:
  - Growing Smiles Spring Plants
  - Artese Art (school parent who is donating 20% of proceeds to the school)
  - Walkathon
- Upcoming Fundraisers are:
  - Neufeld Farms
  - Online Auction (parking spots, principal for a day)
- PFG requested regular fundraising space in the Friday memo. Clive will include this

## **8. Parent Participation Report**

- Hours are continuing to be logged into OnVolunteers

## **9. Maintenance Report**

- People are still registering for Work Bees and not showing up. 29 people have not shown up to Work Bees despite signing up and there is still a lot of work to do. Discussion about need for policy amendment to address no shows. PEC will address this policy addendum at the next meeting
- Field Maintenance – Field maintenance was done over spring break in three areas. A path was created from the primary drop off area to the track to reduce foot traffic on the grass. The wood chips will be repurposed from this area when future maintenance is done. A gravel path was created between the school and portable which has eliminated the mud and slipping hazard. Drainage was installed to the west of the playground.
- Clive to provide Jacqueline a FOB for access to the school

## **10. In Camera Session – start at 8:50pm**

## **11. Closing Prayer**

**Meeting Concluded: 9:35pm**

**Next Meeting: May 11, 2021**