

MINUTES

St. Andre Bessette School Council Meeting Wednesday January 27, 2021 @ 6:30pm – Google Meeting

Online members: Steve Tymko, Heather Thompson, Stacey Walker, Gord Hagstrom, Laura Sjogren, Janette Adamyk

Called to order 6:38 pm

Prayer : Steve Tymko

Approval of Agenda : 1st – Laura Sjogren 2nd – Gord Hagstrom

Approval of Dec 9/20 Minutes : 1st – Stacey Walker 2nd – Janette Adamyk

Financials – Steve - \$808.11 in account. Nothing changed.

New Business:

- CEPAC virtual meeting was on Jan 14/21. Talked about \$ raised for Valeda House, COVID updates, school calendars, options to return to in person learning. Upcoming meeting date TBD.
- ASCA funding(government grant) was cut by 75%. Holding some free virtual workshops and some for a fee. Will be doing a donation drive to try to raise \$300,000 by June 2021.

School Report:

- School calendar for 2021/2022 is approved in principle. Division is asking for feedback from staff and parents for next board meeting.
- Surveys went out this week and are due Feb 13. Please fill out.
- Quarters will remain for the rest of the year. All Covid cases at school were contracted outside of school.
- Staff PD – diploma exam data analysis- looking at long term trends
 - staff wellness temperament tool, wellness report, 8 areas. Seeing what school could incorporate.
- organizing a student focus group to help build wellness for students
- automated test analysis.
- looking at alternatives for Shrove Tuesday (there will be no pancakes)
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy will be done with prerecorded video and teacher led.
- Student sports- hopefully will happen in spring for outside activities like Xcountry running, Track and Field, etc.

Question and Answers:

- Quarters are really good for CTS and Fine Arts. More time to work on projects.
- Summer school will be online and more info will come out Feb/Mar.
- With quarters are teachers noticing higher grades? Steve not sure

-At CEPAC there was talk about other options for final assessments other than just exams. This would be more for middle schools. High schools are staying with exams but have decreased the weighting.

-Is there a way to help advocate for teachers to get the vaccine ahead of general public? Can reach out to ATA or MLA.

-RAP info will come out in April. Ryan Gau present info maybe in a virtual presentation.

Next meeting:

March 24/21 meeting to have Nicole Labrecque to talk about scholarships and post- secondary.
Potential last meeting May 12/21

End of meeting: 7:19pm.