St. David Catholic Secondary School

Heart of the Community, Success for Each, A Place for All

School Advisory Council Minutes

Date:	Feb 25/20	Facilitators:	Paula Ronson, Denise Porter	Prayer:	Glenda Leusink
Time:	6:00pm	Location:	Library	Secretary:	Anna Winnett

Present: Glenda Leusink, Martina Rett, Paula Ronson, Anna Winnett, Denise Porter, Kelly Denomme, Gracie Hynes, Deacon Ed, Laura Moniz, Mark Wardell, Beth Fitton, Christine Dixon, Patti-Jo Stoll, Anca Ionica, Nancy Gawel **Absent**: Susan Smit, Lucky Sharma, Sydney Pendleton, Sam Donsig

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions	Prayer lead by Deacon Ed. Motion to approve November 2019 minutes.	Minutes approved by Laura Moniz. 2 nd by Christine Dixon.
Student Report	SAC ran two very successful events this month - a Valentine's Day Candy-gram and a Shrove Tuesday Pancake breakfast for all period 1 classes. Upcoming events are Multicultural Week and Mental Health Week. Relay for Life will run in May.	
Principal Report	Several classes were split this semester, creating more (smaller) sections. Several teachers have elected to team teach, resulting in an increased support to literacy and numeracy. My Blueprint course selections for all students are due this Friday. PRO Grant gave each high school \$1,000. The money will be spend on making connections with the family of schools. The theme for Catholic Education Week is Uniting Hope and the woodworking teachers are working on engravings that reflect this. Some of the PRO grant will go towards making engravings for each elementary school. Some of the grant money (up to 10%) can be used for refreshments at the May 4th event. Other ideas include a prayer book for the prayer tables. Also, Deacon Ed got a grant for prayer cloths. They will be embroidered with the St David logo and all the names of our feeder schools and given out to each school as well. May 4th - A gathering of all the school councils in the St David family. Mass at 6pm, with a social afterwards followed by individual meetings. April 2 - Parent/Student/Teacher meeting night. Uniform items will be put out for sale. Discussion ensued on how to reach Grade 8 parents regarding used uniform sale information.	Denise will put out a request for help selling uniform items on April 2nd. Uniform sale flyers will be made available on May 4th for the feeder school parents.

Chair Report	We now have 20 members, with a quorum of 11. Budget Update - \$2,931 are not yet allocated and are available to be spent. The teachers will be informed so they can make requests. The money must be spent this year (by June). Paula made a motion to reopen spending for the extra funds. Denise seconded it. All in favour. No dissension. The application process for the School Council Scholarship will be opened after March Break and closed on April 30th. Paula noted that the teacher reference letter goes to Guidance in a sealed envelope, and is then passed to the scholarship committee. (The student applicant does not get to read it.) The application will be reworded so that staff will have the option of emailing it directly to the Co-Chairs, which may simplify the process.	Motion passed to spend the budget surplus of \$2,931.00. Lucky will be asked to put an email out to all teachers informing them that they can apply for the extra funds. The request forms will be issued March 23rd and are due back April 27th. We will vote on allocating the funds at the May 4th meeting.
Staff Appreciation Recap (Martina)	A \$30 donation was used to buy a hot plate that holds three servers. Total cost of the hot plate was \$56.39. Laura made a motion that Council will pay the difference. Gracie seconded it. Motion carried. All in favour. Martina noted that she will only be here for another two years, and suggested that someone else may want to shadow her on this event with a plan to succeed her. Also noted that an item regarding this event needs to be crafted at the November meeting in order to appear in the January newsletter, and the casseroles were very popular and we could have had more of them.	\$26.39 will be spent on a hot plate that can be used for the Staff breakfast. The hot plate will be labelled as belonging to PAC and stored in the storage room off of the cafeteria.
New Business	None.	
Next Meeting	May 4, 6pm.	