



CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO

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PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE Meeting

Greg McNally Boardroom
March 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

Present

John Cameron
Jason Harps
Bill Gartland
Robin Reil

Kathryn Ferguson
Jennifer Cooney
Joe Lalonde

Regrets

Julie Marshall

Laura Gerow

1. Welcome and Introductions
 - Associate Director Cameron led the opening prayer and welcomed the committee to the meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2016
 - Moved by: Robin Reil
 - Seconded by: Kathryn Ferguson
 - Carried
3. Committee Members, 2017-2019
 - Committee membership was reviewed
 - Jason Harps expressed an interest to remain as Chair, all members in favour
 - the appointment will be brought to Board of Trustees
4. Catholic School Council Summit – Thursday, December 8, 2016
 - Committee members all expressed positive feedback on the CSC Summit
 - Sessions were fantastic, Lego session was interactive
 - Guest presented Lynda Colgan was well received
 - Casual setting, food, gift bags with flash drive appreciated
 - Director Gartland stated that the format works well and we will look at a venue for next year
5. 2016-2017 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant for Regional/Provincial Project – Guest Speaker Series, \$10,000

Learning and Growing Together in Christ



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- support – Math magnet
 - Committee agreed to pay for 100 magnets
- support – resource for SEAC Parent Symposium on April 19, 2017
 - PIC will come up with a proposal for support
 - 2 sets of 3 books per school to be donated with book label indicating donation from the Parent Involvement Committee
 - Jennifer Cooney mentioned that a magnet design to address Mental Health initiatives could be a good gift
 - Associate Director Cameron will communicate with Dr. Hawes regarding PIC support
- 6. 2017-2018 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant for Regional/Provincial Project, Applications Open
 - Possible topics for grant application: Addiction, Mental Wellness
 - Possible speaker: Dr. Amy Cheung, Youth and Mental Health Educator
 - Director Gartland will look into booking her for a future session
 - Joe Lalonde spoke of the great facility at St. Joseph CSS, event could be webcasted to other sites
 - Director Gartland shared that Dr. Cheung's presentation has: top ten look fors, checklist, of signs
 - Director Gartland heard Dr. Cheung speak recently and commented that "you leave with a sense of hope" after her presentation
 - Grant application will be created, sent to the committee for review
 - Associate Director Cameron to speak to Jason Harps about grant application
- 7. Catholic Education Week – April 30 to May 5, 2017
 - CEW Mass, Monday, May 1st, 2017 Holy Cross Church
 - Father Rod presiding
 - Parent Involvement Committee members invited to attend
 - Associate Director Cameron to invite
- 8. Together in Faith Campaign
 - Mr. Cameron reviewed the campaign with the group and provided print resources
- 9. 8th Annual PIC Symposium – April 2017, Ottawa, Ontario
 - The symposium will take place on April 22, from 9:00 to 4:00 at the Hilton Garden Inn
 - Registration deadline April 13th, 2017
 - Mr. Cameron will provide the group with details via email
 - Mileage will be reimbursed, Jennifer Cooney and Kathryn Ferguson expressed an interest in attending



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10. Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education – Memo from the Board of Directors
11. Barrhaven School Council backs down from parental code of conduct – Article from Ottawa Citizen, January 11, 2017
 - Director Gartland reviewed the article, codes of conduct are in place, it's a positive thing
 - He also shared some of the good things Catholic School Councils are doing within our board
 - There is an audit process in place, it is a good practice
12. OCSTA – Significant Events in the History of Catholic Education & the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association
 - Director Gartland spoke of the document and the significant events in the history of Catholic Education
 - The committee was asked to review the document and to bring it to their own CSC
13. Budget
 - The budget was reviewed with the group, the PIC Summit cost was 3,815.24
 - The PIC budget was reviewed, current balance: 28,163.29
14. Other Business
 - Jennifer Cooney spoke about the Catholic School Council Parent Summit for 2017-2018. Possible date in the end of September, last Thursday in September 28, 2017
 - The committee is interested in having Dr. Cheung provide a session in November, Director Gartland will look into booking her for Thursday, November 16, 2017
 - Director Gartland spoke about the 2017-2018 School Year Calendar and the process to approve it
 - Director Gartland spoke about the Grants for Student Needs (GSN) budget
 - Ministry funding will be announced to boards in March/April 2017
 - Delay was caused by labour agreements
 - Director Garland gave an update on the Executive Compensation
 - Looking for input, frozen salaries, banding, compensation
 - Many variables
 - Trustee Associations, Ministry, Supervisory Association, Council of Directors of Education are around the table together
 - Information will be posted on board website for public consultation



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- Director Gartland gave the group an update on the ARC review in Cornwall
 - The ARC committee has made great progress with the process
 - All of the information is posted on the board website
 - Staff Report #2 will be presented to the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, March 7, 2017
 - There are several changes from Staff Report # 1 presented in the fall
 - Public Delegations are welcome to apply to make a presentation at the meeting of Tuesday, April 4, 2017
 - Final vote by the Board of Trustees will take place on May 4, 2017
 - There are no other plans for consolidations in other areas of the board
 - New elementary school K-8 school in Smiths Falls set to open in September 2018
- Director Gartland spoke about the Smiths Falls Board Office
 - Office is closing in June 2017
 - Kemptville Board Office will have renovated offices for staff, as well as meeting rooms and storage
- Director Gartland about the Fentanyl crisis
 - Leeds, Grenville and Lanark Health Unit and Eastern Ontario Health Unit have created resources for 7-12 students and their parents
 - Schools have distributed these resources
 - Further training will be provided on Addiction of Fentanyl

15. Next meeting

- Mr. Cameron will send out potential meeting dates to the group

16. Adjournment