

Holy Family Catholic
School Community Council
Location: Online via Microsoft Teams

Feb 3, 2021 @ 7:05 PM Meeting called to order by Tim

In Attendance

Tim, Amanda, Leanne, Curtis, Sarah, Blair, Jason G., Brad, Tanya, Karen

Regrets

Jason, Bonnie

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Curtis

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Karen

Second: Sarah

Approval of Minutes from Oct 28, 2020

Motion: Jason G.

Second: Amanda

School Report- School Report

- Leanne (please see full School Report at the end of the minutes)
 - o Grade 8 classrooms have been amazing leaders
 - Helped with the Snowlympics
 - Halloween Dance
 - Moving desks
 - Unfortunate they haven't been able to help more in the classes
 - o Legacy 1
 - Retreat "A Beautiful Struggle"
 - Grades 5-8
 - Letters from the kids
 - Talked a lot about struggles in life and how to "flip the switch"
 - o Another retreat booked for June for K-8
 - o In November
 - Had an issue with phone system for 3 way conferences
 - System crashed due to over-usage
 - Teachers had to use cell phones
 - Might have a similar issue for this next one
 - Trying to spread the conferences out a little more to help with overload
 - COVID

- 2 cases at start of Jan
 - Follow Health rules about who isolates and how long
 - Depends on when school is notified for when isolation happens
 - Now rapid response through family doctor and the student's family is then supposed to inform the school
 - Schools are still very safe
 - All the layers that are in place for sanitizing seems to be helping
- Christmas
 - 12 days of Fitness
 - Did something different each day
 - Next year hope to add a dance around the school
 - Kids had lots of fun
 - Drew prizes
- Snowlympics
 - Curtis and Mrs. Blythe and Grade 8s organized the events
 - One before Christmas and one after
 - All of the equipment and setup was left out during break times and it was all left untouched
 - This will become a regular activity
- Purchased a speaker for outdoor liturgies
 - Used for Snowlympics
 - Want to use for outdoor liturgies
- Sensory pathway upstairs
- Adding two portables on top of previous ones
 - Hoping that enrollment numbers will be up next year
 - Trying to figure out who will be returning next year from online learning
- Holy Family Parish will live stream a mass on Feb 24 in the morning
- For Lent there will be weekly liturgy
- Currently planning with our Metis Education Leader
 - All classes participating in a couple lessons after the February break
 - increasing First Nations and Metis knowledge
 - Virtual Metis flag raising ceremony closer to the end of March
 - Wanting to add to this next year with big celebration of a Treaty Medal Installation
 - Large celebration of the learning
- Purchased a Disc Golf set for the school to use
 - Hoping it will be here in early March
 - Idea of one of the Gr 8's
 - Could set up the course in the morning and the classes book in throughout the whole day
 - Easier to be socially distant while outside
- Thinking of doing a Read'A'Thon challenge
 - Would be a fundraiser to upgrade tech in the classroom
 - Send pledge sheets home and kids collect money
 - Use myschoolbucks
 - Challenge for staff as well for fun
 - Encourage reading
 - Kids could track how many minutes kids are reading at home and school
 - Prizes
- Asking for approval to spend money in the carryover account
 - Sporting equipment – more for outside, tech upgrade – had a lot of tech go down especially with the chrome books (last tech refresh was 3 years ago and most was 6-7 years old already) (will have a tech refresh in 2022), disc golf equipment
 - **Motion:** Blair
 - **First:** Sarah
 - **Second:** Amanda

- **Approved**
- Looks like finances will be a little tighter in the Fall
- Do have some fundraising initiatives coming up from now to June
 - Online zoom magic show
 - Online Logic show
 - Maybe even online Bingo with donated prizes
 - Want to rebuild funds for next year for Field Trips etc
 - Spent \$4500 for document cameras and mindfulness spaces
 - May be spending more this year because we are unable to share items so there are more costs for this year than a regular year
 - Hot lunches
 - Not able to do this yet due to COVID
 - Perhaps May, or June?
 - Difficulty is there should be no food being brought into the schools
- Still have the COVID precautions
 - Information from the Health System is that the cases that have been in the school are not transmitting
 - Schools are doing a really good job
 - Catholic schools have been sharing COVID stats and the Public system has not been sharing numbers so the data is deceiving
 - We want to be in schools
 - Caretaker goes around 4 times per day to sanitize surfaces and handles
 - Staff are doing whatever they have to in order to keep students in the classroom
 - Kids have been amazing with wearing the masks
- Feb Break
- Staff Retreat are coming up in March

Parish Update

- Blair
 - Cathedral has gone back to requiring pre-registration for Mass
 - Register online
 - Limit to 30 people for in person
 - Need to book in advance
 - Still free to watch online at 9am every Sunday
 - Online at saskatoonmass.com
 - Next Edge online meeting is Feb 9
 - Grades 6-8
 - 7pm-9pm
 - Sacramental Prep
 - Sessions began Jan 24
 - Next session is Feb 7 and all sessions are online
 - Have to pre-register
 - First Communion this year
 - Sign up for individual sacramental in-person after mass
 - Family groups or very small groups

Friends of HF

- Bonnie not here

WUHCA

- Carmen not here

Email Update

- Karen – nothing to report

New Business

- Fundraising Needs
 - If community council can help please let us know
 - Citrus Order
 - May need help with drop offs
- Meeting Frequency
 - Still once a month
- Teacher Appreciation
 - Jason G will share ideas at next meeting

Motion to adjourn @ 7:42 PM **First: Amanda** **Second: Jason G.**

** Next meeting will be on Mar 3, 2020, at 7:00pm – 8:00 **

Holy Family School Report January 2021

- Thanks to Bonnie and everyone else for organizing the clothing sale.
- Grade 8 classrooms – they have been such amazing leaders in our school
- Legacy One (grade 5-8) – virtual retreat titled “Beautiful Struggle”
- 3 way conferences – small issue with our phone system
- Covid Cases – we continue to follow guidance from SHA
- Christmas Fun
 - 12 Days of Fitness
 - Snowlympics – will be a regular activity led by the grade 8s
- Speaker bought for outdoor liturgies
- Sensory pathway upstairs
- Portables added on to our building
- Next year – enrolment numbers

Learning:

- Livestream Mass on Feb. 24th
- Weekly liturgies
- Currently doing some planning with our Metis Education program leader – all classes will participate in a couple lessons after the February break
 - Hopefully planning a Virtual Metis Flag Raising Ceremony closer to the end of March
 - Next year we would like to have a Treaty Medal Installation – a big celebration of our learning
- Disc Golf – planning to purchase a disc golf set for students to utilize. It’s just another way of getting our kids moving outside. I ordered 9 collapsible portable disc golf targets, 60 golf discs, 5 ultimate discs. Hopefully we will get this in early March
- Read-a-thon challenge at the school
 - Encourages reading
 - Connection between home and school
 - Raises some money for the school to utilize to upgrade some of our technology in classrooms
- I am asking for approval to spend money in our carry over account for disc golf, technology upgrades, games for students, sporting equipment to utilize this spring and next fall

Looking Ahead:

- February Break – Feb 15-19

- February 24th – Pink shirt day for anti-bully awareness
- March 8th Professional Learning Day
- March 12th – Staff Retreat
- March 25th & 26th – 3 way conferences
- April 2-11 – Easter Break
- May 7th – Professional Learning Day
- June 7th – Professional Learning Day

What we are currently doing?

- **Covid precautions – we continue to follow these guidelines**
 - **These many layers have kept our students and staff as safe as we are able to**
1. Limiting the number of outside people that are in our school
 2. QR Code for those we allow in the school
 3. Self-screening done at home for students and staff
 4. Hygiene – washing hands and/or sanitizing
 5. Extra cleaning and sanitizing in the school
 6. Cohorts that do not mix together; sometimes cohorts within cohorts
 7. Social distancing and avoiding close contact
 8. Masks – grade 4-8 mandatory when in common spaces and when we cannot distance; K-grade 3 masks are recommended
 - a. Please note that balaclava and bandanas are not allowed
 - b. The use of shields does not replace a mask
 9. Using outdoors as much as possible
 10. Keeping windows and doors open
 11. Arranged seating
 12. Specific areas assigned on the playground
 13. Testing when necessary
 14. Staying home if you are ill

Please note that if a student exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 at school we will be phoning families to come and pick up their child. Please ensure we have an emergency contact in case we need to reach you. The student will need to remain at home until they are 48 hours symptom free.

If a child is ill at home, you will need to keep them home until they are 48 hours symptom free.