

St. Martin's Catholic School
School Advisory Council (SAC)-Meeting for May 8, 2018
Attendance: 6 people were in attendance as per the meeting sign in

1.Meeting called to order at 7:17pm

2. Opening Prayer - Mr. Coles

3. Amendment/Adoption of the minutes from February, 2018

Motion- to adopt the minutes as written

Moved by- C.S

Seconded by- C.V

4. Amendment/Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion- to adopt agenda

Moved by - C.H

Seconded by- C.V

5. Reports

5.1- Principal Report- Dan Coles

Principal Report - May 2018

The month of April was a busy one at St. Martin's and May and June look to be the same. school administration is currently in the process of planning staffing and assignments for next year. Elk Island Catholic Schools has some changes. Superintendent Michael Hauptman has taken a secondment with Alberta Education. His first day will be June 1 in his new role. EICS is also making some changes within the schools. This will have minimal impact on St. Martin's. EICS will be ensuring a minimum of 1.0 in administrative FTE with a minimum of 0.2 Vice Principal FTE. St. Martin's currently has these levels. The Family School Liaison Worker position has gone very well in Vegreville and other schools in the division will be taking on this position. The new term, however, will be Family Wellness Worker. Finally, a new position entitled Collaborative Response Coordinator will also be in each school. This role will encompass the current School Facilitator role plus other new responsibilities. There will be additional time provided for the role.

Our grade 6 students have had a few opportunities to visit St. Mary's and this is wonderful for their transition to the junior high programming that they will experience next year. Anxiety over the change is a common feeling and having opportunities to visit will hopefully alleviate some of this nervousness.

Field trips are plentiful as we approach the end of the school year. Currently our kindergarten, grade 2, and grade 5 classes are swimming or just recently completed their lessons. Our grade 6s recently visited the Telus World of Science and the Alberta Legislature. Upcoming field trips include the grade 4 trip to Drumheller, the grade 3 students attending the Children's Festival and the grade 2s are headed to the Telus World of Science.

Provincial Achievement Tests for our grade 6s are approaching as well. The first of which is Thursday May 10 and then four more will occur in June.

We recently purchased a number of items for our MakerSpace, these will be in our Art Room.

Mrs. Sorochan has started using some as part of her Junior University class. We hope to have more students interact with the materials next year.

Finally, we are pleased to be offering a bigger Recreation and Leadership program next year. The cost will be \$300 per student, but will include multiple field trips per month. We are very excited about this program and feel it will set us apart in the community.

5.2 - Classroom Report - Gr. 3 - Rachel McMaster

-The grade 3 classes will be doing their recreational swimming along with a fun swim at the end of the year.

-The grade 3 year end field trip will be at the St. Albert Children's Festival as it has been in the past.

-The grade 1's, 2's and 3's will be going bowling

-The staff are planning a fun day for the end of the year which will be taking place outdoors.

-In June the students will be taking part in a grade swap. The children will spend some time in their upcoming grades to become familiar and comfortable for the move in September.

-Track and field for the div 2 classes will be taking place this Friday.

-Mathletics is going well. Children are using it in the classroom as well as at home.

5.3 - Trustee Report

-Trustee Report - <https://www.eics.ab.ca/download/130819>

6. Old Business

- None

7. New Business

- None

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Adjournment - 7:54 pm