

**St. Martin's Catholic School**  
**School Advisory Council (SAC)-Meeting for October 15, 2018**

Attendance: 12 people were in attendance as per the meeting sign in

**1.Meeting called to order at 7:03pm**

**2. Amendment/Adoption of the minutes from April 10, 2017**

Motion- to adopt the minutes as written

Moved by- J.D

Seconded by- W.C

**3. Amendment/Adoption of the Agenda:**

Motion- to adopt agenda

Moved by - J.D

Seconded by- B.J

**4. Reports**

**4.1- Principal Report- Joe Kucy**

- September was a busy month
- Sept 19 the Minister of Education visited both schools. He interacted with students and toured the school. MLA Jessica Littlewood attended as well.
- Sept 27 was the first school mass and the Terry Fox run/walk. It was great to see the community spirit. It showcased what the walk was really supposed to be about.
- Oct 1 was Orange Shirt Day. It was great to see the school and community come together in support of reconciliation.
- Oct 3 was Spirit Day. The students and staff took part in crazy hair day. Satpin to win was introduced at the assembly. There were 6 students who were recognized for their efforts in making good choices. One of the students won lunch with the principal, which just recently took place.
- Oct 4 the school took part in a fire drill. It's that time of year again. There will be 3 fire drills in the fall and 3 in the spring. The students will be taking part in a lockdown drill (stay in place) this week. A full lockdown drill be taking place in the second semester
- Oct 11 was school photo day. Everything went smoothly. Jr. University also began.
- Oct 22- 26 Trixter Theatre will in the school. The final performance will be on the 26th at 7pm.
- Nov 7 will be parents teacher interviews from 2-8pm. Register online. More info to follow.
- Nov 12-16 will be fall break.

**4.2 Teacher Report - Mrs. Bilyk and Mrs. Bicknell**

- Grade 2s are slowly settling in to routine. Mrs. Bilyk's class received a grant for and EA for 4 periods per day. They are working on small group work thanks to the extra help in the classroom. The class is looking forward to the upcoming Trixter Theatre.
- Grade 3s are settling in as well is Mrs. Bicknell, being full time this year. She is thankful for the support the foundation and SAC has been able to give to the school.

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## **5.0 - Standing Business**

### **5.1 - School Council Agenda/Plan :Mission Statement**

- J.D would like us to have a bigger plan and to be heard within the school and the community. It's important that parents know what is happening within the school community and insight on new policies etc. We as a group would like to know how we can support the school and educators.
- Several parents showed support and interest in having some board training.

### **5.2 - Wish List Requests**

- There is no fundraising within SAC. All fundraising happens within Foundation

## **6.0 - New Business**

### **6.1 - MIPI and other Success Measures**

- The division has done MIPI for 2 years
- It's a short assessment the students take that gives the teacher a snapshot of where your child is academically.
- If a child scores below 60% staff begin discussions to address the weakness in the particular area. They explore ways to change and improve on it.
- Find areas of weakness within the classroom, assess it, and put together strategies to build on the areas of weakness.
- Staff also implement F&P testing to evaluate the student's reading and comprehension skills. It is done at the beginning of the year and again at the end of the year. Students read a book at their level and answer comprehension questions.

### **6.2 - New Curriculum Development**

- The Minister of Education is hosting a town hall on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Log on to an open discussion to take part. Go to the Learn Alberta website to get more information.

### **6.3 - School Fees**

- Any increase in the fees is reflectant of increase of costs in field trips, etc.
- There are no school fees. All fees are for the extras such as field trips, swimming, etc.

## **7.0 - Elections**

Chair: remains as Jen Dixon.

Vice Chair: Carmen nominates Jamie Hirsh. Jamie accepts

Secretary: remains as Carmen Heisler.

## **8.0 - Nov 19 at 7pm**

## **9.0 - Adjournment - 7:49pm**