

St. Martin's Catholic School
School Advisory Council (SAC)-Meeting for November 25, 2019

Attendance: 6 people were in attendance as per the meeting sign in

1.Meeting called to order at 7:23pm

2. Prayer - Melanie Sorochan

3. Amendment/Adoption of the minutes from October 2019

Motion- to adopt the minutes as written

Moved by- CH

Seconded by- JD

4. Amendment/Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion- to accept agenda

Moved by- B.J

Seconded by-CH

5. Reports

5.1- Principal Report

- This month we participated in :
- Students had PJ Day as their theme on November 1
- Catholic Education Saturday was Nov. 2 and Sunday is Nov. 3, went very well
- Parent teacher interviews were on Wednesday November 6 from 230 to 830 pm.
- At Principals mtg, Nov. 6, EICS releases that funding for school division has been greatly reduced, reserves for our school division are at government recommended level. Some Surrounding school boards have large reserves. More cuts to be coming to all boards. Larger class sizes to be the norm for all schools, the class size initiative is no longer supported by the government. Elementary classes could be 30's and high school classes 40's as the norm.
- Book Fair was on Nov 6 and 7th in the Library
- EICS has a roofing Contract at St. Martin's occurring, hopefully will get finished by the end of the month, depending on the weather. It is about a \$276,000 cost replacement and repair.
- Remembrance Day Liturgy in the gym at 11 am, was done very well by our Grade 5th class
- Fall Break was on Nov 11 to 15
- School Photos retakes Nov. 20th, some staff and students took advantage of this
- School Mass on Friday November 22, was in our renovated Church at St. Martin's, it looks great and the students did a great job with the mass
- Parent Council Movie day was move from Early Dismissal Nov. 6 to Friday December 20th, we found that the Early Dismissal Day was not a good choice, because of the short time span in the afternoon.

- Next Meeting for Foundation and School Council ?
- Joe not available on the Dec. 16th because Division 1 concert on the 17th, therefore Dec. 9th or Jan 13th or Jan 20th for next meeting ..

5.2 - Teacher Report - Erin Cowle

- Grade 3 has upcoming in school field trip. It will be Teachers Pet Science Day and Rocks & Minerals
- The students are starting to practice for the upcoming Christmas concerts next month. There will be a div 1 and a div 2 concert this year

5.3 - Trustee Report - invite was made and Teresa could not make it. We will arrange for future meetings.

5.4 - Current Wish List - MS to discuss at next staff meeting with the teachers.

6.0 New Business

6.1- Provincial Budget - see principal report

6.2 - Parent Engagement Night

- Feb 3, 2020. Intro to School Council and Foundation.
- Donna Williams from Vegreville Centennial Library will attend and give us info on the library and it's wonderful resources.
- request RSVP so we know how many to expect

6.3 - Fused Glass Project - MS is looking into a display case for the art. There is worry that the glass art will be easily broken if hanging on the wall.

7.0 - ASCA Workshop School Council Plan

7.1 - Youth Vaping - amendments to the tobacco act will be made in spring of 2020

Question: Request for input on youth vaping. Discussion took place. JD to share with the Task Force.

7. Next Meeting - January 13, 2020

8. Adjournment- 8:21pm