

**VANIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

September 15, 2020
Zoom Online Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Cynthia Lyslo - Chair
Ilan Davis
Philip Gibson
Truska Gorrell

School Administration:

Ryan Sikkes
Alethea Wallace

Secretary-Treasurer:

Monica Lauer

	<u>ACTION</u>
<p>1. <u>OPENING PRAYER:</u> Cynthia called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. / Ryan provided a prayer.</p>	
<p>2. <u>THANKS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryan – Tribute to front office staff for all their work (Alex, Melissa, Michiko) – and particularly to Melissa for tracking down disinfectant products for the school that were not readily available. School would not have had such a smooth start without all of their work. • Cynthia – Special thank you to Phil for participating on council – his perspective and input were so valuable. Phil also thanked the Council for inviting him and was happy to participate. Phil noted that he will not be running for the upcoming council. • Ryan – Thank you to all the teaching staff – for their willingness to learn methods for teaching – appreciated that it often felt like being a new teacher with all changes to the usual systems. • Ian – Special acknowledgement to Angelita Seloterio for her work to set up the Senior Skills Room and her efforts to make it a welcoming place for students. 	
<p>3. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u></p> <p>Addition of item under 8. New Business item - (b) Name Change & Survey.</p> <p>MOTION: Moved by Ian, seconded by Phil, to approve the agenda as amended. All in favour.</p>	<i>Carried</i>
<p>4. <u>MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING</u></p> <p>Minutes from the August 11, 2020 meeting previously circulated to Council.</p> <p>MOTION: Moved by Ian, seconded by Truska, to approve the minutes of August 11, 2020 as presented. All in favour.</p>	<i>Carried</i>
<p>5. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing Facilities Issue - Cynthia sent an email but no response received to date. <p>ACTION: Cynthia to follow up with a phone call to the Minister’s Executive Assistant.</p>	<i>Cynthia</i>

6. STANDING REPORTS

a. Principal, Vice-Principal, School Growth Plan

School administration highlighted a number of items from the Administration reports which were previously circulated. Of specific note:

- Senior Skills Room – Much work has gone into setting up the space, but it now has proper signage re: Covid19, and WiFi is also now available.
- Covid19 Protocols – Students doing well with hand sanitizing, but physical distancing remains a challenge.
- Interim Report Cards - Interim Reports will be sent out first week of October.
- Ryan previously circulated the Powerpoint presentation document entitled “Reporting to Parents” to Council members. Ryan has reiterated to staff that there the process of regular reporting should keep parents fully informed of their child’s progress and performance – “no surprises.”
- Student-Led conferences – These will be held in November with separate days for junior and senior students.

b. School Growth Plan

- School Growth Plan for 2020-2021 will focus on wellness and resiliency. Administration will bring forward a revised Growth Plan document once the next council is in place.

c. Catholic Education Association of Yukon (CEAY)

- AGM date not yet set – expect perhaps late October. Truska provided information regarding CEAY’s activities for the past year.

d. Occupational Health and Safety Committee – A first meeting of the committee was recently held. Next meeting scheduled for Sept 24. Fire drills are planned for end of September (will include the Senior Skills Room at the Baptist Church). Alethea continues to work on obtaining crosswalk signage to the Church, given the volume of students that are crossing the street daily to go to the skills space.

ACTION: Ian to provide Alethea with the draft document he prepared for HFES re: their previous request for crosswalk signage at the school.

Ian

e. Secretary-Treasurer

- Current ledger balance - \$7,216.39 (includes cheques written at this meeting).
- Discussion ensued regarding contributing funds to the Senior Skills Room, as Alethea indicated Angelita Soleteiro pays for coffee/tea/food supplies herself.

MOTION: Moved by Cynthia, seconded by Truska, that Council contribute \$500 toward coffee/tea and other supplies for the Senior Skills Room for the year. Monica to prepare cheque. All in favour.

Carried

MOTION: Moved by Truska, seconded by Ian, to approve reports as presented. All in favour.

Carried

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

- No information items at this time.

<p>8. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u></p> <p>(a) Financial Statement - Given the delay in school council elections, the Department has indicated that this school year will run until October 5. Therefore, Vanier Council's AGM must take place after that date in order that a financial statement can be prepared.</p> <p>(b) Name Change & Survey – It was agreed that a survey should be sent out to the school community regarding a possible school name change. Shehnaz had previously drafted survey questions and circulated them to council. A preamble to the questions must also be prepared.</p> <p>ACTION: Cynthia to prepare preamble and provide to Ryan. Ryan to post survey questions once school council nominations have closed.</p>	<p><i>Ryan/Cynthia</i></p>
<p>9. <u>ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual General Meeting will be upcoming. At that time, election for various roles can be undertaken. 	
<p>10. <u>NEXT MEETING DATE</u></p> <p>Next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting to be held in person if possible with Zoom also available. Details to follow and will be posted on the council section of the school website.</p>	
<p>11. <u>IN-CAMERA SESSION</u></p> <p>Not required at this time.</p>	
<p>12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>MOTION: Made by Truska for adjournment at 8:22 p.m. All in favour.</p>	<p>CARRIED</p>