

VANIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
May 24, 2016 - VCSS Library – 7:00pm

Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Edith Elder (Chair)
 Michael Lauer
 Maureen Long
 Dianne Tait

Regrets: Shanon Cooper

School Administration: Ryan Sikkes, Jeanette Gallant

Recorder: Toni Blois (secretary-treasurer)

Guests/Parents: Tjitske Vander Eide, Valerie Royle

SUBJECT:

ACTION

1. **OPENING PRAYER** – A prayer of gratitude - All

2. **BOUQUETS TO:**

- Diane and Shanon, upon completion of their last term as school council members
- Organizers of “Think Fast”
- Destination Imagination Team who will represent Vanier in Tennessee – for their initiative and spirit
- Vanier Ridge Run Participants (approximately 300)
- Teacher Shawn McCarron and his Philippines Studies Class who co-ordinated the Multi-Cultural Day
- School Growth Plan Committee who met at least five (5) times in the last few months to conclude the plan
- ALL teachers who chaperone groups – our principal who just returned as a chaperone for a school trip has a new respect for those teachers who participate in such school activities and have to be on constant high alert

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

One addition to the agenda: 8.2 Excellence in Education Award

Motion to approve the agenda with addition noted:

Moved by: Diane

Seconded by: Michael

All in favour

Motion Carried

4. **ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

The draft minutes of the April 26, 2016 meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve the minutes as tabled.

Moved by: Michael

Seconded by: Maureen

All in favour

Motion Carried

5. **WELCOME TO NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

To Valerie Royle (in attendance) and Stella Martin

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

6.1 Support for Destination Imagination Team

- Formalized motion made by email: To donate \$100.00 per participant for a total disbursement of \$900.00.
- **Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. Motion carried.**

6.2 Procedure for Dispersing School Supplies

- Council discussed the flow of funds and the proposed list of essential supplies. Edith provided clarification on the Department of Education’s suggestion of the “essentials” list.
- Motion:
 1. That school council flow all of the funds to the appropriate account(s) of VCSS as determined by the school’s financial administrator.
 2. That SC approve VCSS administration’s revised school supply list.
 3. That the religious education fee be reduced by the supplies component.
- **Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. Motion carried.**

6.3 Guidelines re: Participation in Extracurricular Sports

- Feedback from school administration was presented with some suggestions for changes.
- Motion: To adopt and the guidelines with the suggested changes.
- **Moved by Maureen, seconded by Michael. Motion carried.**

7. REPORTS

7.1 Secretary – Treasurer’s report

- The bank balance is \$6,163.02 and the ledger balance is the same.
- Edith provided clarity on the PD fund for school council members including information on timeframe, accounting and appropriate uses.

7.2 Principal’s Report

- School Administration highlighted items from the Principal’s Report.

7.3 School Growth Plan

- A copy of the plan was provided and as well, was contained in the Principal’s Report.

7.4 CEAY Report

- The next meeting will be the AGM and will be held on September 22, 2016. Edith will chair that meeting.
- ACSTA – next meeting will be on May 28, 2016 and Edith will represent CEAY.
- June 9-11, 2016 – National Catholic Education Conference will be held in Yellowknife, NWT. Edith will be attending.

7.5 Building Advisory Committee

- Information from the March meeting:
 - The committee will be reviewing labour market information to determine if new or updated programming should be considered.
 - The committee is also looking at the Thomas Haney Secondary School model as it relates to possible infra-structure needs

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Staff Appreciation Bar-B-Que

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be held on June 20, 2016 for staff and their families. • Councils members agreed to support the bar-que by working jointly with school administration. • Ryan and Jeanette would provide a head-count. • Motion: To provide up to \$200.00 in financial support. • Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. Motion carried • Discussion followed and the motion was amended to: provide up to \$500.00 in financial support. • Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. Motion carried. 	
<p>8.2 <i>Excellence in Education Award</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administration nominated an EA on staff – Terri Park. • This received full council support. 	
<p>9. <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u></p> <p>9.1 <i>New Vision Steering Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edith provided an update on the activities of this committee and noted that more information is available on the Department of Education website. <p>9.2 <i>Presentation of Scholarships at the Graduation Ceremony</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maureen will be representing School Council 	
<p>10. <u>ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA</u></p> <p>10.1 <i>School Council Retreat</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible dates – June 18 or June 25 – to be finalized by email by consensus. • For all existing and new council members and administration. 	
<p>11. <u>IN CAMERA</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to enter in-camera session at 8:45. • Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. • Motion to exit in-camera session at 9:05. • Moved by Michael, seconded by Maureen. 	
<p>12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned by chair at 9.06. 	