

Vanier Catholic Secondary School Council
Wednesday, June 13th, 2013
VCSS Library
7:30 pm

Approved Minutes

Attendance

Members:

Paul Flaherty (Chair)

John Berg

James Mooney

Terry Prenolso

Secretary/Treasurer:

Yolande Cherepak

School Administration:

Kyle Janzen

Guests/Parents:

Leah White

Marguerite Kuiack

Sandra Orban

Val Royle (Dept. of Ed)

Mike Woods (Dept. of Ed)

Regrets:

Dianne Tait

Yukon Education Update (in-camera)

1. Opening Prayer

Paul opened the meeting with a prayer, the Our Father.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Terry. Seconded by John to approve the agenda with the following additions: Awards presentations, Financial Update, Transfer of signing authority for religious education account.

Carried.

3. Adoption of May 15, 2013 Minutes

Moved by John, seconded by Terry to approve the minutes with the following correction:

- Item 8 under Financial Update – Change \$2,452.06 to \$2,441.06. Carried.

4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

The cost of last year's Vanier Fall BBQ was \$1200.00.

The invoice from Unitech for equipment rental for the March meeting was emailed to Val Royle at Yukon Education for payment.

5. **Principal's Report**

Kyle highlighted items from the Principal's Report (attached) and there was additional discussion as follows:

2) John asked how many teachers will be leaving Vanier next year. Kyle responded that one person got a position at CKES and another teacher is transferring to Porter Creek.

4) Facilitator – There is the possibility of the facilitator meeting with the staff after brunch on June 24th although the day's schedule has not been finalized. There is presently no priest available to do mass however a visiting priest, Father John, will be approached.

School Council members are invited to the staff mass and brunch.

6. **School Growth Plan**

This year's SGP focused on 'Engagement of students' and meetings started late this year. Therefore, this goal will be carried over to the next year. One idea was to develop a fitness gym. A draft SGP was created in order for the school to apply to the Innovation Grant for this project by May 30th. The results of the grant application will hopefully be known by the beginning of the next school year. Sandra asked that her name not be put on the draft SGP as she did not have an opportunity to provide input on the draft report and does not agree with everything in the document.

There was a discussion on how to get more parents and possibly students involved. Some ideas were: to have an open house for people to provide feedback; clearly describe and define what is the SGP and communicate to the school community; have a SGP table set up at the next BBQ and follow-up with an open house; encourage a Philipino community member to be on council; and have the SGP reflect the differences (eg. demographics) in the school.

7. **CEAY Update**

The next meeting is Thursday, June 20th. Members will be getting updates from the Department of Ed and Mike woods will be attending. The Executive Director position will be discussed: representation on committees, work plan, and a proposed budget.

At this time, Marguerite asked about Yukon Education's progress on the action items. The MOU between Yukon Education and the Episcopal Corporation should be finalized by the end of August. It was also decided that School Council's media release, as well as any additional information, be mailed to all parents along with the student final report cards to ensure all parents have been reached.

8. Other Business

AGM: An AGM date of Monday, September 23rd has been proposed, and will be at the same time as the HFES, CKES and CEAY AGMs.

The next VCSS Council meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th, 2013.

Awards: The two awards ceremonies were cancelled due to a shortage of administrative and organizational capacity, and they will not be rescheduled. Marguerite suggested that in the future, administration utilize council members who may want to help.

Financial Update: Yolande provided the financial update. Council's bank balance as of June 13th, 2013 is \$2491.06. Taking into account un-cashed cheques, as well as the proposed \$500 donation towards the Vanier Fall BBQ, the closing ledger balance as of June 13th, 2013 is \$1583.56.

ACTION ITEM: Paul will clarify with Lori about the process for Council making donations.

James moved that name tags be purchased for Vanier council members in time for the Fall BBQ. John seconded. Carried.

ACTION ITEM: Yolande will order name tags.

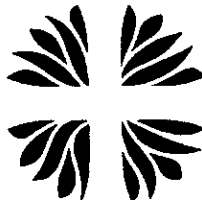
Signing Authority: Terry moved that the signing authority for the religious education bank account be transferred from Daryl Sheppard and Kim Bicudo, to Anilee Ault and Cheryl Peters. John seconded. Carried.

Comments from parents:

Marguerite Kuiack asked that parents be provided information in advance about teacher PD days: specifically, what the topic of the PD Day is and how it benefits the students. She also reminded Council that difficult times in the school are also stressful for parents and asked that Council be a strong voice for parents.

Comments from Leah White (in-camera)

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.



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Edward Frison, *Principal*

Kyle Janzen, *Vice-Principal*

School Council Meeting
June 13, 2013
Principal's Report

1. Activities and Events
 - Highlights
 - Athletic Banquet; June 10
 - Exams; June 17 – 24

2. Summer Use of Facilities
 - DND was supposed to billet 250 troops in the building. This has changed recently to them using FH Collins. As far as we know, summer school is also at FH and not here.

3. Capital Projects
 - Welding booths are complete and operational
 - Re-flooring of classrooms 1, 16, 20, 22, Staffroom, and Main Office will take place Aug. 5 - 9

4. Staffing
 - New staff hired to date:
 - Stefans Jackson – GLOBE, Science 10 (Permanent)
 - Mia Richard – counselling (Permanent)
 - Dustin Shewfelt – Yukon Outdoors, PE, Outdoor Ed (Temporary)
 - Maria Trainor – Religion 8 and 9, Humanities 9 (Temporary)
 - Position yet to be filled:
 - Science / Math, Physics (Permanent)
 - Religious Ed Coordinator (Temporary)
 - ELL, Graphic Arts, Art (Temporary)
 - Home Economics (Temporary)
 - Learning Assistance (Temporary)
 - Math / Science first semester only (Temporary)