

**VANIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL**  
**March 4th, 2014 - VCSS Library – 7:30pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members:**

Paul Flaherty (Chair)  
 John Berg  
 James Mooney  
 Dianne Tait

**Secretary/Treasurer:**

Yolande Cherepak

**School Administration:**

Ryan Sikkes  
 Kyle Janzen

**Regrets:**

Terry Prenoslo

**Guests/Parents:** ~~Angelia Niu~~ Angela New  
 Lori Choquette (Yukon Ed)

Janet McDonald (FNPP)  
 Tjieske van der Eide

**SUBJECT:**

**ACTION**

**1. OPENING PRAYER**

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:30pm with a prayer, the Our Father.

**2.ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion to approve the agenda as presented** with Item 5 to be discussed at 8:15pm when guest arrives.

**Moved by:** John                      **Seconded by:** Dianne                      **All in favour**

*Motion  
 Carried*

**3.ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (February 11th, 2014)**

The minutes of the February 11th, 2014 meeting were reviewed.

**Motion to approve the minutes with the addition of:**

**Moved by:** John                      **Seconded by:** James                      **All in favour**

*Motion  
 Carried*

**4.BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

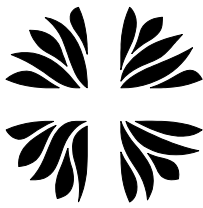
- School council AGM dates will remain the same: end of September
- Council proposed budget has been approved by the Minister

**5.SOCIAL STUDIES 10 PILOT PROGRAM**

*Information only*

- Ms. Janet McDonald (Yukon Education – Director of First Nation Programs and Partnerships) gave a summary of the Residential School Awareness and Reconciliation Unit which will be piloted this spring in Grade 10 Social Studies classes at Vanier, Robert Service and Carmacks.
- Social studies teachers will have a two-day training in April.
- The goal of the course is to raise awareness and understanding of the residential school issue and to leave the students with a sense of hope.
- Communication about the course will be sent to parents of participating students, and counselling services will be available to students when needed.

<p><b>6. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT</b> Administration highlighted items from the Principal's Report (attached) with the following additional comments:</p> <p>2. Programming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Info Tech skills will be covered in Student Success Skills</li> <li>• A new BC curriculum design for K – 9 is being introduced which will focus on competencies rather than content outcomes, and which will give teachers more flexibility</li> </ul> <p>6. SGP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council approved the goal: “to improve student writing”</li> <li>• Discussion about communicating completed SGP to parents and greater communication via school newsletter and website</li> </ul> <p><b>Action Item:</b> Circulate updated snapshot of student academic progress to council members before next meeting</p> <p>7. Facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add: Furnace in Portables 43/44 to 2014-15 Capital Planning list</li> </ul>	<p><b>School Admin</b></p>
<p><b>7. CEAY UPDATE</b> <i>Information only</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School elections materials are on the website and posters are ready.</li> <li>• CEAY will be making an inquiry to Yukon Ed about potential need for a separate resource for high-risk behaviour students attending Catholic elementary schools</li> </ul>	
<p><b>8. OTHER</b></p> <p><b>a) Dominican Republic Contribution</b></p> <p>Motion to donate \$1000.00 to the Dominican Republic Trip Committee.</p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Dianne                      <b>Seconded by:</b> James                      <b>All in favour</b></p>	<p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>
<p><b>b) Financial Update</b></p> <p>The bank and ledger balances are both \$4775.63.</p>	
<p><b>c) Guest Questions/Comments</b> N/A</p>	
<p><b>9. ADJOURNMENT</b></p> <p>Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.</p>	



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Kyle Janzen, *Vice-Principal*

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## School Council Meeting

March 4, 2014

### Principal's Report

1. Enrolment as of February 26, 2014 – 2<sup>nd</sup> semester enrollment settled
  - Enrolment by grade:
    1. Grade 8 – 65 (Last month=66)
    2. Grade 9 – 70 (Last month=71)
    3. Grade 10 – 75 (Last month=74)
    4. Grade 11 – 75 (Last month=75)
    5. Grade 12 – 91 (Last month=92)
    6. Ungraded – 16 (Unchanged)Total – 392 (Last month=394)

(Class Size Maximums: Grades 8 & 9 – 26; Grades 10-12 – 28)
2. Staffing
  - French – Medical Leave until Mar 14. Emily Payne is a long term sub for this position.
  - Staffing allotment for 2014-2015 is 1.0 FTE lower than this year.
  - Work on next year's staffing plan is underway. Priorities include:
    - Increasing Counsellor by 0.5 FTE
    - Revising Skills Room to include flexible programming
3. Programming
  - Plans for 2014-2015 school year are underway
    - i. Teacher intention surveys are in
    - ii. Settling on Gr. 8 & 9 programming options
      1. Linear Humanities and Scimatics
      2. Integration of Student Success Skills into Religion
      3. No changes to elective programming except elimination of Info Tech.
    - iii. Course selection sheets distributed next week.
    - iv. Course selection into YSIS in early April.
    - v. Goal to have timetables distributed by June 12
4. Activities and Events
  - See attached calendars
  - Highlight – Yukon First Nations' Culture Week last week (photos and sign up)

## 5. School Growth Plan

- The Team:
  - i. Administration – Ryan, Kyle, Mia
  - ii. Staff – Dagmar Ferris, Marcia Lalonde
  - iii. Students – Gavin M. and Sean C.
  - iv. Parents – Sandra O. and Angela N.
  - v. Council – Dianne
- Data snapshot update for council will be distributed at meeting.
- Goal presented to school council for approval is “to improve student writing”
- Next steps include staff developing objectives, targets and measures, strategies and PD/resource needs.

## 6. Professional Learning Communities

- March 14 will be time to start preliminary work on SGP for next year.

## 7. Facilities/Capital

- Nothing new to report
- Capital Planning items for submission for 2014-2015 fiscal year
  - Portable 41 interior repaint and reflooring
  - Portable 42 replacement (undersized)
  - Wall off stage in small gym
  - Wall off mezzanine in large gym
  - PA system upgrade
  - Master clock system upgrade

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb 23	24	25	26	27	28	Mar 1
	All Day Event FN Culture Week	All Day Event FN Culture Week 7:00 PM Grad Meeting 7:00 PM Gr 11 Post Sec Info Night	All Day Event FN Culture Week	All Day Event FN Culture Week All Day Event Ryan & Kyle out 8:00 AM TdaP Booster Shots 6:00 PM Super Hoops Championships	All Day Event FN Culture Week All Day Event Ryan & Kyle out 12:00 AM Super Hoops Championships All Day Event XBlock = 6	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
All Day Event Interims due in office 6:00 PM Basketball Yuk on Champs	12:00 AM Basketball Yuk on Champs 7:00 AM Shrove Tuesday Pancakes 3:30 PM Staff Meeting 7:30 PM School Council	11:00 AM Ash Wednesday Celebration	All Day Event Interims and Newsletter mailed 12:00 PM English 12 and SJ 12 Gwandak Theatre (pm)	All Day Event PLC 9:00 AM DR Spaghetti Dinner 12:30 PM Joint Health and Safety Cttee	All Day Event Basketball Champ Finals	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
All Day Event Gr 7 Class visits 7:00 AM Avalanche Awareness Camp	12:00 AM Avalanche Awareness Camp All Day Event Gr 7 Class Visits 3:30 PM Dept Heads	12:00 AM Avalanche Awareness Camp 7:00 PM Grade 9 into 10 parent night	12:00 AM Avalanche Awareness Camp 9:00 AM O Canada French Play (am) French classes only 3:00 PM Parent Teacher Interviews	12:00 AM Avalanche Awareness Camp All Day Event Last Day of Classes Before Spring Break All Day Event XBlock = 8 1:00 PM Spirit Rally after lunch?		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break	12:00 AM Spring Break
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	All Day Event First Day Term 4 7:00 AM CLIMATE CAFÉ SJ 12 (all pm)	3:30 PM Dept Heads		All Day Event Term 3 Report Cards Due 11:00 AM Stations of the Cross	All Day Event Good Friday	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	All Day Event Easter Monday			All Day Event Report Cards and Newsletter Mailed All Day Event Ryan & Kyle out	All Day Event Ryan & Kyle out All Day Event Thinkfas! 9:00 AM PLC 9:00 AM FRANCO-CONNEXION French 8-11 am only	All Day Event Thinkfas! 12:00 AM PLC
27	28	29	30	May 1	2	3
All Day Event Canonization of John Paul II and John XXIII	11:00 AM Celebration - New Life/Saints				All Day Event PD Day	