

Vanier Catholic Secondary School Council

Thursday September 13, 2012

7:30 pm

Minutes

Members Present:

Paul Flaherty
Damien Burns
Tracey Johnson
Dianne Tait
Cecilia Fraser
Shari Worsfold

Administration:

Ed Frison, Principal
Kyle Janzen, Vice-Principal
Daryl Shepard, Religious Education Co-ordinator

Guests:

Harminder Grewal
Tjiske Van Der Eide

1. Opening Prayer

Council opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer

2. Adoption of Agenda

It was Moved by Dianne, seconded by Cecilia to approve the agenda as presented.

3. Adoption of March 27, 2012 Minutes

It was Moved by Cecelia, seconded by Dianne to approved the minutes of June 7th, 2012 as presented.

4. Business Arising From the Minutes

Addressed in the agenda

5. Principal's Report (hard copy attached)

Ed spoke to items in his report, including:

- There is currently a waiting list for Grade 8 and 10.
- The school has a new Chaplin, Father Kiernan. A 'thank you' celebration will be planned for Father Claude.
- The school was successful in its application for a technology grant; receiving 4 iPad's and 1 Promethean Board
- The focus this year for the School Growth plan will be student engagement.

Following questions regarding programming, Ed explained that due to low enrolment, there will be no junior or senior concert band – interest/enrolment needs to be built before a day time program can be offered again. Currently only Grades 8 & 9 have day time programming.

Kyle noted the web-site for the school is undergoing renovations

6. Next Steps re: Teachers Meeting in June

Paul, Ed and the Bishop to meet to discuss next steps. Paul sees it as an opportunity for sharing and dialogue around Catholic faith in education. There was discussion regarding the school hiring policy and how it is a tool which supports Catholic Education.

Daryl, Ed and Father Kiernan will also be meeting in the near future.

7. Catholic Education Association of Yukon Update

Due to a job change, the Chair has had to resign as of September 10th. Dianne will be bringing forward the financial report on behalf of Katie Shewfelt at the AGM.

8. Other

School Council Elections

Deadline to hand in nomination papers is September 20th and election is October 1st. Voting will take place at the school.

AGM

The AGM will be held on September 25th at 7pm in Vanier's library.

• **Other**

Concerns were raised about storage of community groups' assets and use of school space by community groups

Meeting Adjourned: 8:40pm

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