



School Council Meeting

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Date: May 31, 2021

Time: 6 pm

Attendance:

Name	Position	In Attendance	Regrets
Mark DeJong	Principal	Y	
Daniel Vanden Dungen	Associate Principal	Y	
Laurie Kerkhoff	Chairperson	Y	
Carla Gouw	Vice-Chairperson		Y
Catherine Kerkhoff	Secretary		Y
Laurie Untereiner	Treasurer	Y	
Pat Bremner	Trustee	Y	
Rachel Gouw	Sr High Student Rep		Y
Mackenzie Siemens	Jr High Student Rep		Y
Hawley Lequiere	Teacher Rep		Y
Fr. Philip Van Ting Le	Parish Priest		Y
Tamara Miyanaga	Community Rep	Y	
Trina Baier	Parent	Y	
Anita Unrau	Parent	Y	
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AGENDA ITEM <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order Items 2. Discussion from Reports 3. Other Business: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 2021-2022 AGM and School Council Elections b) Fr Lyons Award update - Mark DeJong 4. Additions to Agenda <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Closing comments 5. Next Meeting Date 6. Adjournment 	MEETING NOTES AND ACTIONS
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Opening prayer and treaty acknowledgement b. Welcome and introductions. c. Approval of Agenda d. Approval of last meeting's minutes 	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Spirit Catholic Schools acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Nations and the people of the Treaty 7 region in southern Alberta.</p> <p>C. Motion to approve agenda by Trina Baier. Laurie Untereiner seconded. Carried.</p> <p>D. Motion to approve April minutes by Anita Unrau. Seconded by Laurie Untereiner. Carried.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A. Principal's Report - Mark DeJong 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning for next year continues. Timetabling, staffing, high school orientation, grade 6 orientation. • Grad plans are continuing to unfold based on potential changes to provincial health measures. Grad parent meeting is scheduled for tomorrow • Final Exams and last day of classes. Students are to go home after the completion of their exams. • June 16 is the last day of classes.

<p>2. B. Associate Principal's Report - Daniel Vanden Dungen</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Director of Religious Education - Aaron Skretting • Grade level masses postponed by COVID restrictions • Transition planning and meetings for students coming to SMT next year
<p>2. C. a. Chairperson Report - Laurie Kerkhoff</p> <p>2. C. b. Vice Chairperson Report - Carla Gouw</p>	<p>April 23 - unable to attend due to work and Carla was also unable to attend.</p> <p>April 24th - attended the virtual AB School Council Conference Lots of interesting sessions and Keynote speakers.</p> <p>“Siha Tooskin Knows” ... Stories of a Young Nakota Boy for Reconciliation</p> <p>Kelly Johnson, FranklinCovey Canada (Leader in Me coach)- Developing Life-Ready Leaders</p> <p>PlenaryPresentation EcoVision Environment Club, Lacombe Composite High School, A Story of Student Dreams Becoming Reality</p> <p>School Councils as Leaders FranklinCovey Canada - 7 Habits of Highly Effective People - highly effective school councils modeling life-ready leadership skills and competencies for students, staff, parents and community.</p> <p>The school is to be mailed a Leader in Me book. They offer a free 30 minute Leader in Me Overview for school councils &/or school community</p> <p>Homework: When Does Helping My Child Become a Hindrance? Tim Coates</p> <p>ClosingPlenary Dr. Debbie Pushor - Parent Engagement – A Conversation with Dr. Debbie Pushor</p> <p>April 25th - ASCA AGM</p>
<p>2. D. Treasurer Report Laurie Untereiner</p>	<p>Nothing to report</p>

2. E. Trustee Report - Pat Bremner	4th Mark of a Catholic School - witnessing our faith <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three year education plan finished and posted on website • Operating budget passed and sent to AB Education and will be posted on website • Holy Spirit will collaborate with the local to fund a video, by Irv Fehr (who filmed and produced the very popular and informative, “ A Public Education, the Catholic Way”. This video will concentrate on teaching during and after a global pandemic • The Board and SR Admin will meet with parish priests in the afternoon of June 18 and with MLAs in the morning. We are trying to make arrangements to meet with the NDP • Council of Kof C donated \$8, 250 to the Ready, Set, Go program that both Holy Spirit and the Leth Division support to ensure students have the necessary materials for the first day of school • Reminder that trustee elections are coming up!!!!
2. F. Teachers Report - Hawley Lequiere	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can't believe the school year is coming to an end! • Teachers are setting deadlines for the last day for assignments and prepping for final exams • Teachers are working with students through extra help and learning support to ensure that we end the school year on a high note • We are working on a graduation plan - keeps updating with every new announcement that the government gives
2. G. Student Report - a. Sr High - Rachel Gouw b. Jr High - Mackenzie Siemens	Nothing to report
2. H. Parish Priest Report - Fr. Philip Van Ting Le	Masses are now able to have 15% of the fire code capacity (currently 40 people per mass) Weekend mass times are Sat 5pm, Sun 9am and 5 pm Mid June may see further increase in the number of people allowed. Evening masses on Tuesday and Wednesday at 7pm The parish welcomes anyone who is interested in volunteering on our Safety Committee for any masses weekday or weekend. Sign up sheet for Wed Evening is in the entrance to the church or contact Pat at the church office. New trees have been planted at the church and at the brother's house

	<p>As always, Fr Philip encourages us to receive the sacrament of reconciliation and attend at least one mass each week to receive Holy Communion.</p>
<p>2. I. Community Member Report - Tamara Miyanaga</p>	<p>Taber Food Bank Food Drive on June 1, 2021. St. Mary's school has many volunteers helping and many thanks to St. Mary's for promoting the food drive.</p> <p>On July 17, 2021 Safe Haven is hosting a golf tournament fundraiser. Would appreciate it if St. Mary's would promote their event and Tamara will send out a link.</p> <p>In light of the recent events regarding the discovery of 215 bodies of Indigenous children at a former residential school in BC, please pray for the families and also for the members of our community.</p> <p>There is always an opportunity to help out in the community garden.</p>

<p>3. Other Business</p> <p>A. 2021-2022 AGM and School Council Elections</p> <p>B.Father Lyons Award Criteria</p>	<p>A. AGM must take place in the first 28 days of the new school year as per our current Bylaws and Policies 13.1.</p> <p>Notice of AGM & Elections should be sent out to parents before the end of this school year and again at the very start of the next school year, at least 10 days in advance (13.2)</p> <p>As per my discussion with the ASCA office, our existing Bylaws and Policies need to be updated and the AGM is when this is to take place as per our existing Bylaws and Policies 13.5, unless a special meeting is called during the year (15.4) Notice of the proposed by-law amendments must be circulated at least 10 days in advance of the AGM (15.3)</p> <p>Usually have the AGM following the Welcome Back BBQ in Sept. but the date for that has not been set. Mark will advise when he has a set date, usually the 3rd week of Sept.</p> <p>Laurie and Mark will work on the proposed amendments to the bylaws and policies prior to the AGM. Laurie will approach ASCA for assistance as well.</p> <p>B. The Father Lyons Award is awarded to a graduating St. Mary's student who best exemplifies the attributes of both Christian faith and good citizenship. A person, who through actions and deeds, has contributed to, and enhanced the atmosphere of our Catholic school.</p> <p>Better to approach the Friends of St. Mary's society for funding for this award vs. funded by the School Council as the School Council does not have a budget.</p> <p>No student receiving this award for the 2020-2021 year.</p>
<p>4. Additions to Agenda</p> <p>A. Closing Comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat Bremner would like to acknowledge that Tamara Miyanaga has been a welcome addition to the school council and we are blessed to have her and her connections to the community. • Mark would like to acknowledge that Laurie Kerkhoff did a great job in her first year as the School Council Chair.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laurie Kerkhoff would like to thank the members of the School Council for their involvement, assistance and guidance this year and wishes everyone a wonderful summer and hopefully an end to the COVID-19 restrictions.
Next Meeting:	<p>The June meeting is usually a wind-up supper for the School Council members and since in person dining with people outside of your cohort groups is still restricted this meeting will be cancelled.</p> <p>Our next meeting will be the AGM in Sept 2021. TBA</p>
Adjournment:	6:52pm