

**Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School  
School Council Meeting  
Minutes  
Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
6:30 p.m. – RND Library**

**Attendees:**

Terri Daniel (Principal), Nick Woolley (Vice Principal), Joanna Besselink (Vice Principal), Alain Carrier (Chair), Nicole Szumlanski (Secretary), Chantel Lavoie, Grace Hickey (Student Rep.), Mitchell Blasko (Student Rep.), Lesley Kendall, Dan Deptuck, Anne Marie Levac (new parent), Shayna Watson (new parent), Janice Jang Rice (new parent), Chris Mazzeo (teacher rep.), Liz Grier (new parent).

**Regrets:**

Tawnya Stringer (Vice Chair), Judy Forte, Lillie Shillington.

1. Prayer. Provided by Vice Chair Tawnya Stringer (read by Chantel Lavoie).

Prayer of St. Anselm



Take a Note

O Lord my God, teach my heart this day where and how to see you, where and how to find you. You have made me and remade me, and you have bestowed on me all the good things I possess, and still I do not know you. I have not yet done that for which I was made. Teach me to seek you, for I cannot seek you unless you teach me, or find you unless you show yourself to me. Let me seek you in my desire, let me desire you in my seeking. Let me find you by loving you, let me love you when I find you. Amen.

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Pray



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3. Minutes Reviewed: Feb 13, 2018: Accepted with no edits. Motion to accept: Leslie Kendall, Second: Joanna Besselink
4. Welcome & Introductions.
5. Review of last School Council Meeting Minutes February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for approval.
6. Recurring Business. Updates and reports.

**a. Student Council Report**

**Joe Bolarinho Coffee House March 23, 2018**

This years Annual Joe Bolarinho coffee house was very successful  
Teachers and Students performed extremely well, and the audience was very well behaved  
Free popcorn at the entry so everyone may enjoy it  
Would say it was actually our biggest turn-out so far this year  
With tickets and canteen, we made a profit of off the coffee house, although it was on short notice  
Auctioned off a couch for fun, winning bid was \$5  
Wok-In was amazing (haha)  
**BEST COFFEE HOUSE EVER!!!!!!**

**Basketball Intramurals**

Have been going on for approximately 4 weeks now  
Students getting active at lunch, and allowing for fellow students to come have entertainment during their lunchtime  
No injuries or incidents, all for fun  
Allows students also to get out of their shell  
Referees are there to give the games a competitive edge  
Teacher supervisor to make sure everything runs smoothly  
Play-offs begin next week, and finish next week  
**Thank you to Ryan Ralph and Carson Payne and the teachers who supported them.**

**Humboldt Thursday**

This Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a non-uniform day (toonie for non-uni and any further donations) in honour and support of the victims of the Humboldt Broncos junior hockey team in Saskatchewan.  
Students bring in a toonie, and have the choice of wearing the teams colours of green and/or yellow, or a jersey of their choice

All proceeds will be donated to either the victim's families and the surrounding community, or the first responders who helped at the scene of the horrific incident

Currently waiting for the Holy Cross student council to respond so we may coordinate with them and have one school donate to the victims and the other donate to the first responders.

### **Upcoming Elections**

Already called and held our meeting regarding Town Hall, and elections for next years student council.

Great turn out, approximately 25-30 students showed to the meeting and signed up for certain positions

Students from all different programs, including band, improv, athletics, the mathletes, as well as students who will be using this time, to come out of their shell and offer themselves to help our school positively next year

This gives students each year, a voice to choose who they would like to have represent the student body

Election Week as of right now looks to be the first week of May

Students will be able to campaign at school and on social media, hang posters, give out accessories to students, and in the end present at Town Hall

Town Hall is the event in which the whole school gathers, and watches the videos the candidates put together, and listen to their speeches they present, where they try to convince regi students they should be a representative of them

### **Big Bike Ride Spirit Week**

- b. Student Generated Funds Report.** Report was sent around the table. Terri mentioned a few accounts that are high and then
- c. Pastoral Care Team Report.** Mary Lane sends her regrets and there is no report for this meeting. Please refer to the latest newsletter for an update.
- d. Teachers' Report.**

OSSLT today.

#### **Arts:**

RND Improv Gold team placed 3rd at regionals at a fun filled evening of high school improv theatre – Special thanks to Ms. Faught

Kiwanis Music Festival-Band festival portion was held last week at Holy Cross. Junior Band received a mark of 90 and Senior Band a mark of 94 - their highest mark ever at Kiwanis.

### **Band trip**

Last year the band went to the west coast and performed in San Francisco. This year they decided to stay in Canada-

The Senior Band will be travelling to Halifax at the end of April for their major trip. They are participating in the Atlantic Festival of Music and participating in workshops and adjudications. Their performance will be live-streamed on Thursday April 26 at 9:30 a.m. Perhaps we could broadcast this on the school TV system!!

Looking forward to May the Sr. Band will present the 5th annual Broadway Gala and the Jr. Band will perform at the Canada's Wonderland Music Festival for the 21st time!

### **Athletics**

Spring season for soccer kicks off tomorrow with 9 teams and aprox 300 student athletes. It wraps up the week of the long weekend in May, with EOSSA and OFSAA to follow.

Junior and senior girls soccer teams playing in the KCVI tournament.

Thursday sees the boys soccer teams, junior and senior, in the KCVI tournament.

KASSAA badminton championships happen this Thursday at RND.

Junior badminton championships next Wednesday at LCVI.

KASSAA regular season for soccer begins on April 16 and 17 for the boys and girls.

Girls rugby, senior boys rugby and junior boys rugby begins the week after. Senior boys rugby just returned from a successful rugby tour in Washington.

Track and Field up and running (get it)...first meet at the end of April.

Several students from the Life Skills program involved in track and field.

Rowing has been doing some dry land training the last couple of months at 6am but will move soon to on the water practices at 5am.

RND will have two teams entered in a one day girls softball tournament in May.

RND tennis team beginning practices next week at RMC.

### **Spec Ed**

SLC Field trip May 1st for senior students who have an IEP. The focus will be on accessing accommodations.

Transition Meetings with our elementary partner schools begin next month.

### **Student Services**

Transition meetings are next month  
Course selections are done.  
Peer tutoring every wed and fri at lunch in room 101  
April 26th midterm marks are uploaded toOUAC.  
April 27 midterm reports are issued to students  
Co-op and dual credit interviews for next year will be happening soon.  
Lorraine Kennedy Connections trip to SLC for students in grades 10 and 11

## **IB**

Exams are coming up for grades 11 and 12 IB candidates. The master IB schedule is posted on the Regi IB D2L page.

### **e. Principal's Report**

So much to celebrate around RND.

The OSSLT took place today, with 232 Grade Ten First Time Writers and 46 senior students taking part. EQAO.com is where parents can access more information about the literacy test. Thanks to the team of staff who work together to prepare students and administer the test, under Nick Woolley and Billy Ows' guidance.

Later this week, our students will take part in a COMPASS survey that looks at student academic, social and physical well-being. We use this data to inform our practice here at school. University of Waterloo, Health and Wellness Survey.

Last week, our police and public health partners were in to take grade ten and eleven students through their Drive for Life program, provided by KFL&A Public Health and Kingston City Police, exploring the ramifications of using alcohol and drugs.

Midterm report cards go out April 27<sup>th</sup> and the Band Trip to Halifax departs just ahead of then.

Student choices are now in and we begin the process of both staffing and sectioning over the next month or two.

230 present students in grade nine, new cohort of students for grade 9 coming into the school in 2018 is approx. that same amount. We anticipate five retirements in June and so, should we need to decrease staff because of decreasing enrolment, the hope is that we can absorb losses through attrition.

RND student Abi Tripp is competing at the Commonwealth Games and just earned her first international medal, a bronze in the 50 m freestyle. We are so pleased for her. See the RND website ([www.reginotredame.ca](http://www.reginotredame.ca)) for additional details.

7. Old Business.

- a. Billy Macleod Memorial Senior Game update.  
**Action: Other than having conversations with people, Terri is deferring to Fall 2018.**
- b. Security follow-up (any incidents to report). **Update: Terri states that there have not been any other new incidences to her knowledge.**
- c. PRO grant application (suggestions from Grade 8 info night and parent-teacher interview): Update: Alain gave an update to what this is. Summary about how we applied for the grant to use for the Screenagers Film viewing. Mental health was the topic that we focussed on. Asking the parents about topics to focus on from speakers or ideas. The school council had a ballot box at the Grade 8 parent night and the parent teacher interview night.  
**Action: Council will continue to talk about which speakers and topics to consider at the next meeting in May and will move forward with next steps about applying for the PRO grant.**

8. New Business.  
**None**

9. Arising Business from the Floor. Round table:

A parent mentioned about how hard grade 9 is and wanted to share that it gets better.

**Action: Nicole asked if we could look at having an action item on the next agenda in May to discuss what marketing materials we could produce for September 2018 (eg: magnets).**

**Action: It was suggested that we could put an invitation into the head start registration package for parents to come to a school council meeting in the fall once dates are formalized. Also, to put a notice in next years Grade 8 registration packages. There were 4 parents that came to this meeting because Alain spoke to the parents at the Grade 8 Parent Welcome night.**

**Action: Look at dates for next year's meetings at our next meeting and possibly have a note in the May/June newsletter mentioning the dates and possibly executive roles being nominated for elections for 2018-2019.**

10. Correspondence. Standard mail and emails.

- a. Minister's 9th Annual Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Symposium – April 20-21, 2018 in Toronto (regrets sent).
  - b. Next Catholic School Council Association meeting Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Board office in Napanee. Alain will be attending.
  - c. Documentary on online pornography entitled "Over 18".
11. **Next Meeting date: May 15, 2018 at 6:30 pm.**
12. **Adjournment (including Prayer leader for next meeting):**  
Chantel Lavoie volunteered to read the opening prayer at the next meeting