

Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School
School Council Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, February 13th, 2018
6:30 p.m. – RND Library

Attendees:

Terri Daniel (Principal), Nick Woolley (Vice Principal), Joanna Besselink (Vice Principal), Alain Carrier (Chair), Tawnya Stringer (Vice Chair), Nicole Szumlanski (Secretary), Lillie Shillington, Dan Deptuck, Robert Lefebvre (Student Rep.), Ryan Ralph (Student Rep.), Lesley Kendall, Judy Forte, Dan Deptuck, Cinia Dyankovic

Regrets: Karen Hunt, Danielle Hogan, Jennifer Barrie, Chris Mazzeo (Teacher rep.)

1. Prayer. Led by Chair Alain Carrier.
2. Welcome & Introductions.
3. Approval of Minutes of last School Council Meeting Minutes November 28th, 2017. Motion by: Approved by Lillie S. Seconded by Nik Woolley
4. Old Business.
 - a. Billy Macleod memorial senior game name change (a student that was murdered in 1985). Action: Terri did ask and did not get any answers; will try to get more info for the next meeting (Feb). **Discussion and report from Terri:** Terri spoke to the principal at Holy Cross and suggested that there is a possibility to have the cup awarded/presented again.
 - b. Security follow-up: Discussion occurred about what the next steps should be with regards to security. Terri suggested that she would reach out to some key partners (McMurter) and Dan D. said that he could support any next steps. Follow up next meeting (Feb).

Discussion and report: Terri did meet with Mike McMurter and he is not interested in meeting with parents, but Terri did meet with Mike and three new cameras have been added (1 camera facing the Cowdy Street parking lot. 1 camera at the end of the dark hallway, facing South at Cowdy Street. 1 camera facing the Russell St. student parking lot. There is not one in the circle which is where Terri would have liked to see one added. The police have told us that it is cyclical, and that theft seems to come and go. They did not provide us with any other advice. Dan asked if there was a discussion with Mike M. Were there any recommendations from him? Terri states that not really. Another improvement is another bike rack (not there yet). The cameras were going to be added anyways. Dan. D **thanks**

the administration for adding the cameras. Dan just wonders if there is anything else that we can be doing? There were not thefts or break ins during the play or other large events at the school.

Action: Add item to the agenda in April and June for and quick discussion.

5. Recurring Business. Updates and reports.

a. Student Council Report

Monday: Christmas: Cozy day, Tuesday: Ugly Sweater day, Wednesday: Mass, Thursday Christmas Accessory day, Friday: (Snow Day)

Semi Formal: 289 tickets sold: \$1000.00 profit. Photo booth, fake snow, cotton candy, lights, Christmas Trees. Semi started at 6:30-9:00 pm

Report: The night went well. People had lots of fun.

New Merchandise: Sales: Tuesday and Thursday at lunch.

Hats and Toques. Socks, Quarter zips, hoodies, t-shirts, baseball tees and scarves.

New Mascot: Regi Panther: Approx.: \$6000.00 The students are very excited. Takes approx. 12 weeks. Dan asked about how the mascot will be paid. Terri stated that they raise the money through fundraising. Joanna mentioned that the old mascot has been used for the past 15 years. She thinks that the last one cost approx. \$5000.00

Memorial Game: An incident occurred at the game and the Regi table was flipped Regi lost to Holy Cross.

Next event: Coffee house: March 23rd

March 27th Parent Teacher interview night: Merchandise

b. Student Generated Funds Report: See report handed around or speak to Terri to see a copy of the report

c. Pastoral Care Team Report:

Ash Wed schedule for the afternoon mass with ashes on Wed. Feb. 14th:

P1 8:35-9:35

P2 9:40-10:40

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P3 11:30-12:30 (12:15 call down)

Mass 12:30-1:30

P4 1:30-2:30

All Catholics over the age of 14 are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Friday's during Lent. Adults aged 18-59 are also required to Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means 1 regular meal in the day and 2 smaller meals, but no snacks. Adults who work in manual labour, those who are sick or pregnant are exempt but should consider making an act of charity or piety).

Lent initiatives: www.CPJ.ca #GiveItUpForTheEarth campaign

[CPJ | Citizens for Public Justice: inspired by faith to ...](#)

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Development and Peace workshop in Belleville with SHSM Non-Profit students (and Mary Elaine) along with reps from all the Catholic HS's on Wed. Feb 28th

Valentine's Day week initiative: <https://fncaringsociety.com/have-a-heart>



[Have a Heart Day | The Caring Society](#)

fncaringsociety.com

Have a Heart Day is a child and youth-led reconciliation event that brings together caring Canadians to help ensure First Nations children have the services they need ...

#HaveAHeart for 1st Nations Children. Sign a letter for PM or MP and wear a heart with the #.

Youth Alpha (4 weeks) Meet at lunch in the chapel Provide Pizza. Planning session Tues. Feb 20th.

(Tues Feb. 27, Tues March 6, then Mon March 19, Mon March 26)

*"Thinkfast" on Fri. March 23rd in support of Development and Peace. During the day 8:30am-6pm. (followed by Coffee House)

The Indigenous Student group will be meeting on Thursdays at lunch in the newly renovated Room 214 with Indigenous Knowledge Keeper **Helena Nevea**. Students and staff participated in a drum-making workshop with LDSB students at the **“River Program” at the old Frontenac Public School** last Friday. We hope to return this Fri. morning to “birth” our drums and finish our drum sticks etc. Helena has some cool cultural crafts to share with our students at lunch hours and maybe some of our Period 2 classes.

Winter knitting - We hope to gather on Wednesdays in the chapel (starting the 21st).

Reconciliation – Friar Jim is here on Wednesdays, stop by and see him. We hope to schedule in Period 4 Grade 12 classes to come and spend some time preparing their consciences and hopefully receiving the sacrament this Lent (other grades came in first semester)

Bereavement Peer Support Group: 8 weeks, alternating periods.
Date TBD.

Faith in Action Team (FIAT) - "Growlight Gardens" will be under the supervision of Ms McPherson and Ms Gibson in the Food and Nutrition program this semester!

Eco-school certification process: Energy and Waste walk about after exams. Classroom signs as reminders to reduce energy etc. Hope to have seedlings ready to plant in a “Three Sisters Garden” this spring but could use some help from folks with a green thumb!

*Regi Alumni: Nicole Tumaine stop by on Mon. Feb 26th at lunch in the chapel to share about her family's charitable organization called **"The Nyantende Foundation"** that helps support education opportunities for youth in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Upcoming liturgies:

April 11th Easter mass 9:30 CND gym

May 16th – Liturgies of the Rosary at Our Lady of Fatima (Gr 9 and 11 P2, Gr 10 and 12 Period 3 or TBD)

June 6th Commissioning Mass

d. Teachers' Report:

Teacher Rep Lorraine Kennedy has accepted a board wide position as a Pathways Coach. She will be working with students in Grade 11 and 12 who need some

extra support/guidance in terms of graduation and post-secondary transition. Chris Mazzeo will be the teacher rep but sends his regrets tonight. Just a heads-up that course changes for semester two close this Friday and we then begin course selection assemblies in earnest.

e. Principal's Report:

As semester two is underway, we welcome Asia Zolniercyk, Nadia Bernabei, Allison Ross and Thomas Wagner to our teaching staff. Colleen Glancey Cox is now Department Head of Student Services and Tamie Gaudet is now a Guidance Counselor, in place of Lorraine Kennedy. We celebrated Tim Keenleyside's retirement after 30.5 years of teaching. This spring, a sizable group of staff will retire – never a dull moment around here.

Next week, the Grade Tens will hear from **Stephen Ritz**, Green Bronx Garden, as part of the Boys and Girls' Club Speaker Series. We are into playoffs for the winter season. The Literacy Test is fast approaching – April 10th.

6. New Business:

6.1 Summary on the Catholic School Council Association (CSCA) 13 December meeting (fundraisers): **Report from Alain:** Alain attended the CSCA meeting on Dec 13, 2018. Alain did not know what to expect. There was a round robin discussion of what school councils have done. There were a lot of different activities that councils are doing. There were also councils that are not doing a lot of activities and struggling to stay a float. Alain's big take away was: are there other opportunities that we could be doing as a council. Dan asked for suggestions of opportunities? Are there any other opportunities or activities that we could do? Tawnya mentioned that she has attended the meeting before and noted that a lot of elementary schools are doing a lot more than secondary councils. She also mentioned that our students are doing a lot more activity building for the students.

6.2 Grade 8 Parent Info Night (Thursday, 22 Feb 2018) participation: **Action:** Alain will speak at 6:30 pm-8:30 pm: Alain take the banner and magnets to that night to have a table (7:30-8:30 pm). Nicole will also come to man the table.

6.3 Way ahead for the PRO Grant application: Alain started the discussion about possible Pro Grant ideas. Action: Alain will try to find the PRO Grant application from last year. We will have a suggestion box for parents to suggest topics for the parent teacher night and also the Grade 8 Parent Info. Night.

6.4 Parent teacher Interview: Tuesday, March 27th, 2018: Lillie and Tawnya will create a suggestion box. Nicole will arrange to have the floor banner and magnets to the
3:00- 5:00 pm: Tawnya, Cinia, Lillie and Nicole

6:30 -8:00 pm: Nicole and Alain

7. **Arising Business from the Floor:** Nothing from the floor
8. **Correspondence:** No emails were received by Alain.
9. **Next Meeting date:** Set for 10 April 2018 in the library at 6:30 pm
10. **Adjournment (including Prayer leader for next meeting):**
Tawnya volunteered to do the prayer.