

St. James & St. Ann's Regional Education Committee

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Wednesday, August 25, 2021 | Start Time: 6:30pm

Location: St. James and St. Ann's School

Present: Winsome Rauch, Terri Sask, Stephen Scharff, Christy Dos Santos, Hannah Traub, Kyla Pleasure, Heather MacDonald, Tasha Mijinke, Tina Girard, Fr. William Ashley, Elizabeth Ocon, Laura Hunger

1. Faith Formation – 15 minutes - Winsome
2. Call to Order/Adopt the Agenda
3. Appreciations:
 - Thanks to the staff, teachers and principal for their hard work this past academic year.

Mrs. Ni Lorcaín sent a card of thanks to REC for their support

4. Correspondence
5. Review and Adopt June Minutes (Motion: Winsome, Kyla)
6. Review and Adopt of (E-) Minutes (move to In-Camera)
7. Main Reports:
 - A. Archbishop's Rep. Report: Fr. Ashley has invited B.J. Hamilton to St. James School to talk about the cost of building a new school
 - B. Chair Report
 - C. Principal Report
 - D. Treasurer Report
8. Additional Reports:
 - A. Teachers Report

B. Maintenance Report

- New roof is almost done! Should be done in the next week.
- Shipping container was repaired and is now in good shape.

C. Fundraising Report

- We will need to adapt our fundraising strategy given the new COVID-19 restrictions

D. Parent Participation Report

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E. Community Relations Report

9. Old Business:

A. Maintenance update

Two classrooms painted. The front entrance area may need to be painted.

B. Technology update

- Chromebooks have arrived and Pablo will set them up so they're ready for the new school year.
- More computers coming for teachers and staff towards the end of September.

10. New Business:

REC Elections – To occur the last Sunday in September: We need a volunteer(s) to spearhead the process.

A. Meet the Teacher Night 2021

- Will be postponed Meet the Teacher Night until Thursday, September 16th. We may want to plan a welcome back barbecue to begin the new school year.

B. Parent Survey results

- Procedures for drop off and pick up are taking up a lot of resources.
- The procedures will be changed to improve the drop off/ pick up process.
- (e.g., organize kids according to family name for pick-up)

- For hot lunch, we're going back to the old menu with subs, hot dogs, sushi, pizza
- Discussion on students wearing Thunderwear on Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays (i.e., PE days)
- Grade 3 and up will change for PE, Grades 1 & 2 only change shoes
- Every Thursday will be Thunderwear Thursday
- Re-registration: Switch to the procedure where families will pick up package at AGM, fill them out at home, then schedule a time slot to return completed package.
- Zoom: People **want the option** to meeting with teachers and others via Zoom

C. COVID Safety Plan for 2021-2022

- Communicable Disease Plan: Mrs. Sask is currently drafting the safety plan.

D. Principal Evaluation: We will be completing a survey to evaluate Mrs. Sask.

11. In-Camera

12. Next Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 29 at St. James School (in-person).

13. Meeting Adjourned/Closing Prayer (Hannah, Tina)