

MINUTES
MILLER CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (CSCC)
Regular Meeting
November 16, 2021 - 7:00 pm

In attendance:

CSCC – Sheralyn Norton (Chair), Shari Kendel (Vice-Chair), Julie MacGowan (Treasurer), Corrine Rybchuk (Secretary), Erin Raaf (Director), Leta Seiferling (Director), Dwayne Hibberts (Director), Susanna Andrei (Director)

Staff - Liza Donnelly (Principal), Mark Wernikowski (Vice Principal), Sandra Mann (Teacher Rep)

Regrets - Kyle Channing (Director)

1. Call to Order - Sheralyn called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
2. Opening Prayer – Liza read a prayer.
3. Welcome, Introductions and Approval of Agenda
 - 3.1 Meeting Attendance was taken.
 - 3.2 Agenda - a motion to approve the agenda as distributed was made by Erin. Seconded by Leta. Motion carried.
4. Review minutes from previous meeting (October 5, 2021) - a motion to approve the minutes with one amendment to the amount of the Terry Fox fundraising was made by Leta. Seconded by Susanna. Motion carried.
5. School Reports
 - 5.1 Faculty Report (Liza and Mark)
 - November 5 is the next Recovery Day.
 - October 18 – 23 was Education Week.
 - Academic Awards were handed out in the classrooms with an accompanying video presentation.
 - Parent Teacher Student Conferences will be phone calls or Teams Meetings. Staff received good feedback on the Teams Meetings.
 - Staff Retreat – the three-year theme is “Know, Love, Serve” and this year’s focus was on “love”. There were group and individual sharing opportunities.
 - 2020 Yearbooks were handed out.
 - November 8 Remembrance Day Liturgy was posted on the school website.
 - Indigenous Veterans Day was noted and discussed.
 - October 25 Our School Survey was completed which covers a wide range of topics such as mental health, curriculum, and extra-curricular activities. It was given to Period 1 classes and has a very good response rate (90%). It helps the school in setting its goals and priorities.
 - October 27 – Reconciliation for students as well as a teepee raising.
 - Miller is working on a Mindfulness initiative with the other three RCSD High Schools. In Period 4 students will have 5-10 minutes to have a mindfulness break. This will be mandatory for Grades 9 and 10 and optional for Grades 11 and 12.
 - Extra Curricular

- Sports teams have been very successful lately; they are excited to have new banners in the gym and post the news on the school website and social media. Golf – female city champs, 3rd at provincials; Girls' soccer – city champs and 5th at provincials; Jr and Sr Volleyball – city champs; Football – second city champs and second provincial champs in three seasons.
 - Fall sports are now over; winter sports include curling, hockey, basketball. There are debates about the start of wrestling. Pom team and improv have started.
 - Visitors to gyms will have to show proof of vaccination.
 - November 22 will have elections for the SRC. During Covid a Student Leadership Team has been in place which has been very busy putting on activities for students.
- November 28 is the start of Advent. Will have wreaths in classrooms and will collect items for the Christmas Hamper fundraiser.
 - December 13 will be the Christmas Liturgy which will be done virtually.
 - Recycling club has been busy monthly with the Student Leadership Team helping. They usually get around \$300 - \$500. This year's charity recipient will be the United Way.
 - November 20 - Where's the Beef cooking competition is back this year. It is sponsored by the Cattlemen's Association. All the Catholic High Schools will participate. The winners will be invited to cook at Agribition.
 - December 8 will have the Band and Choral concert in the gym.
 - December 3-5 Miller is hosting the Miller Invitational Basketball Championship (MIBC).
 - November 22 – all Miller employees must be vaccinated by this date. Guests to the school must show proof of vaccination.

5.2 Review of Funding Requests from Faculty

- Funding requests from staff were circulated and discussed.
- It was noted CSCC school fees are collected throughout the year and more requests can be approved as more fees are collected. The funds used are to be considered in how they promote Catholic education, support the goals of the school, and support student learning, success, and well-being.
- Motion for approval of funding requests as follows:
 - \$700 for floor mops
 - \$3,000 for mindfulness space
 - \$1,000 for Mental Health Matters
 - \$300 for smudging signage
 - \$2,600 for fetal pigs
 - \$400 for button maker for pronouns
- a motion to approve the funding was made by Erin. Seconded by Shari. Motion carried.

5.3 Student Leadership (or SRC) report – no report as there still is no SRC, but elections will be happening shortly.

6. Treasurer's Report – Report was presented. A few changes were noted. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report with an increase to teacher appreciation budget to \$1500 was made by Erin. Seconded by Shari. Motion carried.
7. Chair's Report – Sheralyn expressed gratitude for the school tour provided by Liza for the committee; it was useful to see improvements to the schools especially those partially funded by

the CSCC (such as the fitness equipment in the pit and the curtains in the theatre). It was interesting to see the new French Immersion wing and new lockers as well as the cosmetology lab, science labs, mechanics, carpentry and welding areas, as well as the improved band room.

- Sheralyn reviewed the thank you cards received by the CSCC from Rachel Kirk, the student who received the CSCC award the prior year as well as Alexandra Sutter, a retired faculty member.

- She also discussed the upcoming fall Board Linkage Meeting which will be held November 18.

8. Adjournment of meeting at 8:30 pm.

Next Meeting Dates (from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm) in Gym A

January 18, 2022 (Teacher Appreciation February 14-18)

March 22, 2022 (Board Linkage Meeting March 17)

May 24, 2022