



St. Patrick's Catholic High School

School Advisory Council Meeting

March 28, 2023 at 7:00 pm

SPHS Library

Attendance: S. Treftlin, F. Torti, K. Lobsinger, J. Matthews, J. Verstraeten, T. Brown, L. Barbato, A. Clarke, J. Stewart, D. Yurkewich, L. Forbes, M. Wray, L. Lourenco, J. Johnston, H. Thomas

- **Welcome** - Sabrina Treftlin (Chair)
 - introductions for some new members
- **Opening Prayer/Reflection** - Ann Clarke
- **Call to Order** - Sabrina Treftlin
 - Adoption of Agenda (Motion to accept agenda) - Tressa motion
 - Approval of Minutes - Jan 24, 2023 (Motion to approve) - Ms. Johnston
- **Student Council Update** - Michael DeCarolus and Hudson Thomas
 - Successful back to the beach - excellent student participation
 - This Thursday is Spring Fling - semi-formal
 - Council met with Director Scott Johnson
 - Upcoming events: St. Pat's Palooza, Dodgeball Tournament, May 4th Be With You Day
- **Chair Report** - Sabrina Treftlin
 - Information about getting parents involved - providing opportunities for our students to find success
 - Extend invitation to other parents and encourage them to join
 - Children will notice when their parent is involved in their education
 - School Council welcomes parents to find out what is happening in the school

- Information (brochures/pamphlets) provided that was provided at the Open House from February - cards available with information regarding Canada's Learning Bond
- **Destreaming** - Leslie Forbes
 - Why? Equity and Making Informed Decisions
 - Continued to develop teacher capacity - limited supply teacher availability made this challenging. PD days utilized. Teachers explored assessment and evaluation, giving descriptive feedback, and universal design and special education supports
 - Dec-Jan - Leslie and Spec. Ed. ran drop in sessions in the learning centre and in the classrooms throughout the school
 - Student questionnaire was completed at the beginning of the semester and 264 students completed this survey. Grade 9 students were asked specifically about their experience in the destreamed program
- **Chaplain's Update** - Ann Clarke
 - Ash Wednesday Service was cancelled due to bus cancellations.
 - Interview Video with Ann and Father Kim explaining the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Sacrament was offered the week before March Break.
 - Trips to Food Bank to do service (small group and then a religion class)
 - Grade 12 retreats are now starting
 - Virtual workshop by Covenant House for the social justice club
 - Grade 10 classes are having chapel masses (two classes at a time). Last semester, the grade 9s had this opportunity.
 - Cyclone Aid is this Saturday - Mrs. Vanessa Borody is the staff lead.
 - Staff prayer time is Tuesdays after school
 - Tuesday after Easter there will be two spring liturgies
- **Student Services Update** - Jay Stewart
 - Course selections are just wrapping up - taking a little longer with the destreaming. Counsellors are challenging students to really consider their pathway when making decisions about their grade 10 courses
 - Graduation is set for Saturday, June 10 at 12:00 at PASA
 - OSAP presentation by Lambton College for our Grade 12s last week
 - April 24, grade 11 students will have a panel presentation from several colleges
- **Student Success Update** - Diane Yurkewich
 - Working together as a team - with guidance, PRTs, and admin. Each success team meets weekly. As a result, the teams really get to know the students in their part of the alphabet.
 - Weather interruptions caused some delays in assessments so progress reports may not have had a lot of data
 - Credit achievement - grade 9s - 10 unsuccessful credits out of 1330.

- **Parent Involvement Committee update** - Tressa B/Tracy P
 - Thought Exchange out for social media improvements for the board
 - Next meeting next week (April 3)

- **Vice-Principal's Report**
 - a. Exam Days - Karoline L
 - Messaging to parents to avoid booking holidays or other events during exam days
 - Friday, June 23 - Wednesday, June 28 - period 1-4 exams
 - Thursday, June 29 - makeup exam day
 - b. Open House Recap - Karoline L
 - Full house. We received positive feedback from many families
 - Many community partners in attendance
 - Information session in the cafeteria
 - Spec. ed. Session in the ILC
 - Excellent staff turnout
 - c. OSSLT - Semester Two
 - 200 students writing this semester. Grade 10s writing over two days in their English classes (April 19 and 20). Grade 10 rewrites (April 4) and Senior rewrites (April 5)
 - Mrs. Cimetta is having all 200 students complete a practice test over the upcoming weeks
 - d. Upcoming Lockdown/Firedrills - Jacqui M
 - Sensor glitch in February was first drill this semester
 - Lockdown drill on Monday, April 3rd
 - Two more fire drills in May
 - e. Uniform Update ([Summer Fit Show](#) on July 12th, 2023) - Jacqui M
 - New pants and dry-fit shirts will be available
 - McCarthy's offering two additional fit shows through the school year
 - f. NBE classes (Powwow @ Lambton College (April 6th)) - Jessica V
 - Grade 11 English classes going - pre-educational meeting beforehand
 - g. EQAO Math - Gr 9 Semester Two (June 15 and 16)

- **Principal's Report** - Frank T
 - Last Catholic School Council Meeting - June 6th @ 6 pm
 - Scheduling and Staffing for the 2023-24 school year
 - a. Board will be providing GSN to allocate courses to school
 - b. Goal is to get schedules to our students before exams
 - OLG - Jackpot Bingo, 2 bingos/month (April 2nd from 4-6 pm and April 15th from 2-4 pm)
 - a. Still looking for volunteers
 - Student Trustee for 2023-24

- a. Lily Cole was the successful candidate
- Grease Production - Feb 2023
 - a. 5 sold-out shows
 - b. Only high school in Lambton providing this type of opportunity for our students
- Europe Trip - March 2023
 - a. 60 students and 10 staff travelled to Italy, Austria, and Germany
- Matt Stossel - Social Media and Wellness on April 14, 2023
<https://newsdesk.st-clair.net/2023/03/08/does-social-media-impact-your-child-teens-wellbeing/>
- Parent/Teacher Interviews - Thursday, April 27th from 4 - 7 pm
- Midterm Reports - Monday, May 1st
- LKSSAA - winter and spring seasons
 - a. Rugby, track and field, Sr. soccer and Badminton starting up
- **Future Meetings 2022-23** - June 6 @ 6 pm (Dinner meeting)