



ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Via Teams Video Conference Wednesday, May 5, 2021 @ 7pm

1. Call to order and opening prayer by Santa Silvestri @ 7:03pm
2. Roll Call:
 - Present: Maria Lourenco, David Owen, Clark McDougall, Lidia Silvestri, Patricia Langdon, Andrea Taylor, Mario Soster, Santa Silvestri, Chris Chlischczyk, Miranda Walsh, Nadia Sawchuk, Jeff Hall, Mike Clark, Mia Thomas, Greg Ausman, Lindi Barz, Michael Mark, Michelle Bradshaw, Kaitlynne Tan
 - Regrets: Maurizio Silvestri, Rocco DeVito, Mark Sheehan
 - Guest: Susan Lehocki
3. Approval of Agenda
 - Mover: David Owen
 - Second: Lidia Silvestri
 - Opposed: none
 - Carried
4. Approval of minutes from April 6, 2021
 - Mover: Lidia Silvestri
 - Second: David Owen
 - Opposed: None
 - Carried
5. Business Arising from previous minutes
 - No questions or comments
6. Student Report-student council representative-Kaitlynne Tan
 - St. Patrick's Day candy jar was a huge success with one student guessing the exact number
 - Talent Show was a success and students expressed how grateful they were for the opportunity
 - Students are excited about This or That Thursday on Instagram
 - Daily challenges during Education Week include Movie Mondays, Tuesday Tunes (students share favourite songs or videos of themselves singing), Wellness Wednesday,

Thoughtful Thursday, Foodie Friday. On the last day of Education Week there will be a slide show presentation of previous events as well as things to look forward to bringing a sense of hope

- Pride Month - ideas being discussed

7. Presentation regarding Digital Signs

- About Signs (Steve Crawford)
 - Cannot reuse base of current sign as there is no original drawing which City of Burlington would need for permit, therefore would need to remove the whole sign and replace
 - New sign options shared with council - 6' off ground to limit vandalization
 - Quote is for one double sided sign \$30,000
- Burlington Signs (Sima Ghassabeh)
 - Suggestion was to keep existing base and retrofit sign to decrease costs
 - 3 options shared with council
 - Quote to keep original base and refurbish sign with LED display \$16,000
 - Sima was asked by council regarding Steves comment about not being able to reuse the base and she stated base was secure and could be reused
 - Quotes for new base were more costly
- New Style Signs (representative not available)
 - One double sided sign using original base \$25,000

8. Financial/Fundraising Report

- Fundraising: Cobs \$145, FlipGive \$197, Indigo \$145
- Financial Report
 - School Generated Funds approximately \$21 thousand available
 - New computers – approximately $\$1300 \times 30 = \$39,000.00$ vs new sign
 - Council discussed and verbal vote for where funds should go. It was decided by consensus that funds will go towards sign and any leftover funds would go towards computers.

9. Teachers Report

- Mr. Inglis - Model UN in SOMA April 24-25 virtually
 - Over 400 students collaborated
 - Annika Fotr received an honorable mention
- Math Department
 - Destreamed math course for grade 9 (pre AP, Applied, Academic)
 - Discussion around why Pre AP is included - council informed that this was a recent change by the Ministry of Education
 - Curriculum is to be interactive with extensions given offering a more diverse grade 9 math program
 - Belief is that this will meet the needs of all students
- Assumption Crusaders Theatre is booked for April 27-30, 2022 for next production

- CRRP (Culturally Relevant Responsive Pedagogy) - Board has provided substantial funds for the English department for new texts including a variety of fiction and non-fiction novels and short story anthologies

10. Principal's Report

- New banners being hung in gym
- Old pictures by decade
- Online option will be available next year as well; Ministry is asking for Quadmasters for fall
- Grads asked to upload pictures and videos for grad video
- Every grad will receive a gift from Assumption including a lawn sign, pick up will be in early June
- There will be no grad fees but grads have the option to purchase cap/gown online
- Diploma and awards pick up last week of June
- Jenna Lehecki has received the Student of Excellence Award

11. Uniform options

- Hoodie option shared in both white and blue
- Question about spirit wear - this was a principal decision (Rocco DiIanni). Clark will look into

12. Chaplains Report

- Catholic Education Week
 - No mass because of remote learning
 - Nurturing Hope Theme and Mental Health Wellness initiatives
- Crusaders in Action
 - LGBTQ+ student support
 - How to teach our faith without being discluding or discriminating
 - Selections of Ambassadors after Spring Break
- End of School Liturgy planned for end of June

13. Parish Update

- Request for a spare display case
- All parishes have suspended masses until further notice
- Michael Mark to serve as Grand Knight of Knights of Columbus until June 22. If interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can visit KofC.org
- Knights of Columbus introducing Charity project and bringing out cash calendar for 2022. Any businesses who would like to place an ad can contact Michael
- Knights of Columbus will continue to support the grad student award

14. OAPCE Report

- Newsletter to be emailed to council
- Conference to be held May 14-15

15. New Business

- Graduation discussed - please refer to principal's report

16. Closing Prayer by Santa Silvestri

Adjournment @ 8:58pm

- Mover: David Owen
- Second: Michelle Bradshaw
- Opposed: none
- Carried

Next meeting June 2,2021 @6pm