

Legal School Council Minutes

January 12, 2021

Attendees: Renee Trottier, Sherri Crowston, Cari Last, Amanda Prefontaine, Stephanie Cornelis, Cathy Proulx, Ashley Zilinski, Laura Tymchuk

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

1. Prayer by Renee Trottier
2. Approval of Agenda and Request for Additions to the Agenda
 - Requests: COVID update, Christmas hamper drive, admin learning walks
 - Approved by Cari Last
 - Seconded by Ashley Zilinski
3. Approval of Minutes from last meeting
 - Business arising from last meeting: none
 - Approved by Cari Last
 - Seconded by Ashley Zilinski
4. Reports
 - 4.1. Trustee Report – Cathy Proulx
 - 4.1.1. GSACRD foundation
 - 50/50 draw: winner was awarded \$7,125
 - Cathy brought feedback to committee regarding grant process. Representative said he would bring the info back to the committee
 - 4.1.2. Catholic Social Service sock campaign
 - Helped 300 students
 - 4.1.3. School Board elections in October
 - Nominations opened in January
 - 4.1.4. Evaluation of superintendent
 - Board self evaluation and superintendent evaluations to be done in May
 - 4.1.5. Struck a committee to determine how the board can recognize staff in this difficult year
 - All staff received a Tim Horton's gift card
 - Next PD (Jan) day can be used for collaboration with fellow staff or used as a wellness day
 - 4.1.6. Kindergarten expo to take place virtually next Wednesday
 - 4.1.7. Alberta School Council Award nominations are coming due Feb 28
 - 4.1.8. Budget Update: Surplus of \$652,000
 - 4.2. Chairperson Report – Stephanie Cornelis
 - 4.2.1. No report this meeting
 - 4.3. Administration Report - Renee Trottier
 - 4.3.1. Staffing Update
 - Mr. Wood has retired.
 - Lana Thom has been hired to replace Mr. Wood.
 - 4.3.2. Calendar for 2021/2022 and 2022/2023
 - Staggered entry at the start of the year

- Fall Break is staying
- One full PD day per month for consistent staff meetings and professional learning where possible
 - 3rd week of the month except Nov/Feb (4th week)
 - January early dismissal
 - June PD day in the second week
- ATA institute day – day after Halloween
- Faith and wellness day – January PD day
- Year end staff Mass
- Feedback on 2021/2022 calendar
 - Christmas break starting on Dec 20 seems a bit early.
 - Suggest starting the break on Dec 23 instead

4.3.3. Virtual Open House – Two Dates

- Division PreK/Kinder EXPO-Jan.14 at 6pm
- Legal School-March 4-6:00pm

4.3.4. COVID update: 100% attendance on first day back from Christmas break

4.3.5. Christmas hamper drive

- Joint effort between Legal School, Ecole Citadel and the Men of Service
- Made 27 hampers
- \$2,500-\$2,700 received in cash donations

4.3.6. Parent Teacher Interviews March 10-11

4.3.7. Report Cards March 25

4.3.8. Admin learning walks

- 3rd year
- Administrators visit each other's schools, virtual this year
- Learn about what admin and staff do at their schools. Renee learned some new ideas for the school council meetings

5. Teacher report: Laura Tymchuk

5.1. Virtues program

- 5.1.1. Mary Moylan and Laura Tymchuk organize the activities
- 5.1.2. Want to spread a common message
- 5.1.3. Mission is to provide empowering strategies that inspire the practicing of virtues
- 5.1.4. Each virtue is focused on for a two-month period
- 5.1.5. Students make a visual or project based on the current virtue
- 5.1.6. Virtues covered to date: courage, compassion and acceptance

6. Classroom reps

6.1. Online Rep – Cari Last

- 6.1.1. Grade 4s built catapults, Grade 6s writing stories
- 6.1.2. Junior high students seem to be struggling with the online learning

7. Friends of Legal School Society

7.1. No report this meeting

8. Next meeting: February 2, 2021 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm