**AGENDA**

Holy Family School Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 1, 2021, 1900-2100 via ZOOM

Attendance:

Members:

* Gina Anderson
* Amy Fry
* Myriam Lafrance Principal: Maria Gray
* Erin Spiewak Vice-Principal: Patti Oxford
* John Williams - regrets Guests:
1. Opening prayer (MG)
2. Financial update (ES)
	* Received YG funding for this year $5860.00
	* Current bank balance $14 695.05 including sensory room grant not spent
3. In-camera session if necessary- none
4. Parental communication and concerns

none

1. Principal’s report (MG/PO)
	* Sending regrets from last meeting
	* Staff update – 0.5 EA is now filled for K1 class, admin person position is now filled for 6 months. Welcome Talia
	* Grade 4 class: clarity around permanent teacher circumstance will be figured out next week
	* Food Drive and From the Ground up very successful
	* Grade 4 bible celebration successful and in person
	* Teacher PD day theme was First Nation Blanket Learning workshop – very meaningful and highly recommend if given a chance to participate
	* School photos completed
	* Lockdown/earth quake drills and also “hold and secure” occurred last week. New safety plans for two students
	* Checklists went home – looking to standardized checklist for all grades for consistency and clarity for all classes
	* Newsletter was delayed because it was given a fresh look
	* Another PD on the Nov 12th which is lead by DOE. Likely on inclusion, but confirmed
	* Thinking about Christmas season already. Likely the concert will not occur again this year
	* Two staff every month will attend non violence crisis training until all staff have received training
2. Growth Plan
	* School has the capacity to develop a new plan
	* New theme is based on connectedness, belonging and meaningful relationships as the basis for the improved, greater learning
	* Drafted a plan and checking with SC if new theme is agreeable. The growth plan needs to be included in order for teacher’s to work on personal growth plan
	* PO already completed a few baseline observations already to measure success
	* PO’s training in brain mapping will be taught to one of the classes
	* MG will circulate draft plan soon
	* Other schools have worked on implementing Fresh Grade, Physical Literacy
3. COVID exposures and current protocols
	* MG/PO meet with Chief Medical Office staff to talk about mixed messages in the letter sent to parents. Teachers were not notified before students
	* Classes affected will have a deep clean before students return
	* Question was asked whether students should go back to wearing masks in class. CMO advised spread is not happening at school. Bubble cohort is working. Masks are not required in class. The letter gave no direction for siblings because they felt it would add more confusion (many different home situations). CMO took an extra precaution with having classrooms affected stay home for the week
	* Staff are ok with being vaccination the YG December cut off. No issues to report

Action: School Council will help to ensure information about the COVID vaccinate gets to parents when the time comes. Likely approved before Christmas.

Action: AF to check with LC re: DOE contact for air quality reports in the school.

Action: Create a list of parents/volunteers to help with classrooms where parents need help. Add to newsletter/FB page. ML will write announcement for newsletter.

1. Sledding party— Dec 2 (ML)
	* Venue Booked already. Same format as last year. Apple Cider and Hot chocolate. COW allows food. Warm cookies
	* 4pm -7pm
	* Motion to spend up to $500 for catering for the event (1st ES/2nd AF)
	* GA to create poster for website
2. Every Student, Every Day grant for sensory room (PO)
	* Still looking at options. PO is leading the. Will keep us updated
3. Mental wellness/building community teacher initiative (all)
	* Should be connected to the new growth plan
	* MG will announce at next staff meeting get staff thinking about ideas but will wait until January to run the promotion. Staff are pretty busy

ACTION: AF to review criteria to apply to new growth plan

1. Pizza lunch Nov (ES)
* Nov 19th
* New admin will call each Gr 1/gr 3 student to get orders. ES will receive the orders on Friday.
* Vegan option: panagos. MG will continue to pick up special order
1. Website improvements (GA/MG)
* Good for now
1. Front entrance landscaping letter (ES)
	* Flags were replaced last week
	* Janet Moore from DOE already acknowledged SC letter. Landscaping company will come and look soon. Likely next spring
	* No further action required at this time

14) Transportation Committee

* Not all schools have a designated rep. No meeting this year and none scheduled
1. Holy Family School Council thank you card contest (AF)
* Postpone until spring
* Still a great idea
1. CEAY update (JW/ML)
* Saddened by the loss of Wanda Robbins
* AGM was held last week
* ML will fill the Secretary role

Action: Make a donation to a charity of choice by Wanda’s family

1. Yukon First Nation School Board
* GA attended this session
* School Council Conference held a learning session for school councils. Administrative details on how to dissolve council and vote to join the YFNSB. How the process works
* HF will continue to monitor process
1. Review action items

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| **Action** | **Item Description** | **Lead** | **Completed** |
| 7.  | School Council will support information to parents with COVID vaccinate. Likely approved before Christmas to help facilitate information sharing |  |  |
| 7. | Check with LC re: DOE contact for air quality reports in the school | AF |  |
| 7. | Create a list of parents/volunteers to help were needed. Add to newsletter/FB page | ML/GA | Done |
| 8. | Poster for sledding party – FB page include in newsletter write up | GA |  |
| 10. | Update mental wellness/community building criteria for contest | AF |  |
| 16. | Donation for Wanda Robbins  |  |  |
|  | Ensure follow up meeting with 3 catholic school occurs. Planning for long term growth of catholic education in Whitehorse. Request report from Building Advisory Committee | JW |  |

Adjourned by 8:56pm

Next Meeting December 6, 2021