

ARCHBISHOP JORDAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

School (Parent) Council Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2017

1. Welcome: by Tracy Lockhart
2. Opening Prayer: by Tracy Lockhart
3. Presentation by Le-Ann Ewaskiw, Youth Coordinator, Information & Volunteer Centre, Strathcona County
 - IVC is actually a non-profit, not county run
 - Meals on Wheels program – frozen meals ready right out of the office; amazing outreach
 - Community Calendar – goes out monthly
 - Coats for the County (this now has been passed on to ELKS as it got too busy)
 - Grant Connect program
 - i. 15,000 grants – community grants, schools, simply call the IVC and let them know you are interested – but have to go to IVC to use their computer
 - Movie in the Park – August 10 – this year will be at the old St. Theresa School (Village on the Lake)
 - Volunteer Center
 - i. Adult Coordinator
 - ii. Youth Coordinator (part –time)
 - Teens in Action (12 years plus) – 52 kids registered (signed consent forms); allows Le-Ann to contact the youth with opportunities – then youth have to take the initiative to sign up for the event – and spots go quickly
 - Youth Fair – October every other year
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4. Review of Minutes, January 30, 2017
 - a. Saffron – Marcus did come to meet with Mr. Cox; going to be doing some classes - just working through scheduling right now
 - b. Follow-up on status of rooms from flood

- c. Update on textbook returns – still many outstanding textbooks;
- d. Wifi on yellow buses (follow-up from Q&A)

Minutes approved by Le-Ann Ewaskiw and seconded by Nancy Ferguson

5. Principal's Report: Brett Cox

- a. Staffing: Mrs. Lueke and Mrs. Diniz (Wallace) on maternity leave; welcome to Ms. Cormier and Ms. Taya Webber joining staff; French Immersion teacher already hired for next year (looking to see French Immersion teachers teaching English as well – leads to additional collaboration; no retirements next year but likely a few more mat leaves
- b. Victoria Waslin – recognized as an outstanding first year teacher (ABJ seeing some amazing first and second year teachers)
- c. Graduation has been set for the weekend of May 26-27-28. Tickets will be on sale May 1st. Grad website has been updated with dates, times and activities as currently known. Prayer Bag update for the blessing ceremony under New Business
- d. Valedictorian criteria – reviewed and ABJ will go back to the true “definition” of valedictorian – top academic student; for several of the last 10 years the “chosen” valedictorian was not even in the top 10 highest academic scores
- e. Assurance Model – review for ABJ results; Mr. Cox made request for ongoing feedback regarding the results; will send out to parents, community partners to provide feedback on the results

g. Q & A:

6. New Business:

- a. Prayer Bags for Grade 12: confirmed donations from CWL, Knights of Columbus, OLPH PPC. The paper bags will go out to grade two/three students to decorate them - request will go out to the schools week after spring break. With request for prayer bags will be invitation for choir representation at the Blessing Ceremony - work with Brett and the other principals on that so that transportation is taken care of. Parent volunteers will stuff the lunch bags the Thursday before the blessing ceremony (May 25).

7. Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 1 at 7:00pm

8. Closing Prayer: Tracy Lockhart