

## **St Ann's Academy Parents' Association (SAPA) Meeting Minutes from March 9, 2021**

**Present:** Mike Simpson, Patrick Niwa, Joel Loehr, Lauren Phillips, Lisa Anderson, Rosie Caputo, Antonia Emery, Amita Sharma, Catherine Dishke, Adigo Angela Achoba-Omajali, Charlene Croukamp, David Takahashi, Chad Belbin, Anupreet Sharma, Marianna, Sherry Sandersen, Sara Thomson, Crystal Chartrand, Ana Avila, Danielle Sykes

### **1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Mike welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order at 6:32, Danielle led the opening prayer, and a round of introductions were made.

**2. Adoption of agenda** – m/s (not captured) – carried.

**3. Adoption of minutes** – m/s (not captured) – carried.

**4. Steering Committee, Faith Development Team (FDT)** – Danielle Sykes

- faith reps, supporting Catholicism in school
- goal – increase visibility of FDT
- development of school chapel – part of updating project
- email: fdt@st-anns.ca

### **5. Administration Report**

- a. Strategic financial plan – ongoing
- b. Restorative Justice Approach
  - empowering students to think about how they interact with their peers
  - Ms Watson to take on
- c. Mental Health program – Open Parachute group
  - supported by all Catholic schools in province
  - series of lessons directed toward students and mental health
- d. Provincial government provided funds to help deal with Covid – will go towards Open Parachute

### **5. Presidents Report**

- thanks to everyone; nothing formal

### **6. Finances**

- Treasurer's Report:
- Financial Gaming Account – balance to date; \$72, 545.88 (end of February)
  - if approve all new requests, will leave us with approximately \$30k for the fall in the black
  - SAPA would like to hold on to approximately \$10k in contingency
  - in October, will receive another \$8300 from Gaming
  - numerous student program canceled due to COVID
  - only \$7600 spent
  - new requests total \$39,125 for proposed spending
- Non-gaming Account – approx. \$6500 in account

## 7. Old Business

*Operation COVID Buster* – Joel gave a presentation on proposed activities

- 5-7k for new school activities
- Cost to SAPA - \$7025 for 7 proposed activities
- m/s – Chad/Rosie – carried, all in support
- Mr Niwa – teachers will support; could tie into our houses

*Doves* – cost of paint/paint brushes

### *Major Projects*

- New requests from staff members/walkathon committee
- 7 items – Lisa has looked into gaming guidelines and we can spend gaming funds on all projects
- Rosie – what has walkathon funds gone to in the past?
- Mr Niwa – the money has been raised and then decide how spent
  - o Idea – have a goal that the students identify and then raise funds
  - o At this time, do not know how the funds are spent this year
  - o Idea – students will be involved in the fall re: funds; gives them something to focus on
  - o Mr Niwa is still working on strategic financial plan – what SAPA can spend funds on
- m/s – Lisa/Chad – carried; all in support – all projects below approved
- Joel will update budget with new items

Item for 2020-21	Approval date	Amount (\$)
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK	Jan-16	1,600.00
MICS FOR MUSIC/ASSEMBLY	Mar-09	4,000.00
FENCING FOR LOWER PLAYING FIELDS	Mar-09	14,000.00
HOUSE T-SHIRTS	Mar-09	3,900.00
MOVEABLE RISERS FOR ASSEMBLY/MUSIC	Mar-09	1,500.00
LARGE PROJECTOR SCREEN	Mar-09	1,000.00
STUDENT ACTIVIES MARCH TO JUNE	Mar-09	7,025.00
TWO PORTABLE REGULATION SIZE SOCCER GOALS	Mar-09	6,100.00
TOTAL NEW SPENDING		39,125.00

**8. Correspondence:** Lisa will check

**9. Funding Requests:** starting to think about next year

### **10. New Business:**

- Chad – noted his frustrations with inaction from previous meetings; happy we've made decisions tonight
- Charlene – Gr 4 concerns
  - order online/paper form from St Ann's store
  - pick-up on early dismissal day – staggered

- lunch program – opportunity to pay online
- Mr Niwa – no timeline yet but CISKD is considering etransfers
- working on staggered times for early dismissal days

## **11. Committee Reports:**

### *Spring Raffle*

- \$21,610 gross revenue
- Ticket draw March 10

### *Staff Appreciation*

- Next event is year end
- Staff get to take part in COVID buster
- Class parents can still get gifts
- Joel will review budget and see if funds can be shuffled

### *Scholarship Committee*

- Cover page – to be put in letter head and forwarded to Ms Spina
- Ms Spina working with students
- Nextstep – due back by the end of April
- Committee – Rosie, Amita, Lauren
- Dry erase cheque available for presentation of award
- SAPA writes cheque to student

### *Silent Auction*

- Committee met back in November
- New etransfer set up
- Few items collected
- Waiting til next school year
- Silent auction items to be used for 2021/2022 school year

**12.** Adjournment of meeting: 7:50pm; closing prayer: Angela

**Next SAPA meeting – Tuesday, April 13, 2021 @ 6:30 pm**