

**St. Ann Catholic School Council Minutes**  
**Monday, April 11, 2022**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Via Remote**

**Attendance:** Mrs. T. Fricano, Principal; Steven Docherty, Principal Assistant; Maggie Tapp, Maureen Weatherston, Colette VanBodegom, Vicki Amato and Iryna Holovatska

**Prayer:** C. VanBodegom provided the opening prayer.

**February 28, 2022 Minutes:** were approved and posted to the school website.

**Parent Council Goal: Parent Communication and Engagement with Faith Focus**

**Parish Rep's Report:**

- Fr. Oehring continues to provide an update that is included in the school monthly newsletter. This week, he provided the Easter blessing to the school.
- First Communion dates are Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at St. Ann School.
- Confirmation will be on Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ann School.

**Community Rep's Report:**

- M. Weatherston was contacted by Karyn Cooper, Director, The AIDS Network and her report regarding the proposed Supervised Consumption Site (CTS) at 746 Barton Street East is as follows:
  - On March 21<sup>st</sup>, K. Cooper sent an email to M. Weatherston advising the Hamilton AIDS Network would be happy to confirm their ongoing commitment to providing updates and information to St. Ann's Catholic School Council. She enclosed a Letter of Commitment for the council to endorse as a commitment of keeping lines of communication open and their organization is committed to creating a communication strategy for our council.
  - On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, M. Weatherston advised K. Cooper that the St. Ann Catholic School Council had several concerns regarding the proximity of the clinic to two elementary schools. She had contacted the Superintendent for HWDSB to find out if they had any issues with the location of the clinic and has yet to receive a response. She also advised that parents are worried that the clinic will draw more people in need of drugs to the area. She ended the email with notice that the CSC cannot endorse the letter sent. This email was copied to Maggie Tapp, Chair of CSC and Mr. Patrick Daly, Chairperson, HWCDSB.
  - On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, K. Cooper responded with clarification that people who access the site do not receive drugs on site but rather they are already in possession of their own drugs of choice from their own sources.
  - No further communication has been received or sent.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- No update available at this time.

**Chair Report and Current Business:**

- **PRO Grant** – Clarification is needed for the final report since the funds were pooled for the March 10<sup>th</sup> virtual event with Dr. Jean Clinton. Mrs. Fricano will contact Mr. Younger who organized the event to inquire what information is required for the final report.
- **Fundraiser – Greeting Card Box:** M. Tapp advised that campaign dates are April 29<sup>th</sup> to May 16<sup>th</sup>. Paid boxes will be sent to the school for pick up. Any proceeds will be used towards the year-end play date and/or agendas. The boxes are \$35 per box with the school receiving \$11 profit. This will be on-line sales only. Prizes for top seller from the school council can be principal for the day and lunch with the principal on the day plus a \$50 gift card. Top selling class could receive ice cream sandwiches or freezies. An email will be sent to parents with links for the greeting cards for choice and purchase. A representative from the school council can attend at the school to assist with disbursement of the greeting card boxes for pick up. The pick up date to be determined.
- **Parking in front of the school: By-Law No Stopping/No Parking** – Discussion ensued regarding the need to keep students safe at dismissal time when crossing the street in front of the school where cars are parked illegally. One suggestion would be to have orange cones to be placed on the street to prohibit cars from parking. Having a city by-law officer attend at dismissal time was another suggestion. Mr. Docherty will discuss this matter further with Mrs. Fricano and advise the council of the outcome.
- **Tim Hortons Field for Play Day** – Mr. Docherty reported that he will ask a representative from Tim Hortons Field about the feasibility of using the field for the school play date. The tentative date is Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from the fundraiser could be used to pay for hotdogs for the students. Members of the School Council can assist in the day's events.

#### **Principal's Report:**

- On Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, the school will participate in a fun game of Easter Bingo.
- Volleyball team games and the Spring Cross Country event will take place this year. Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> is the date planned for Spring Cross Country at Camp Marydale with a maximum of 100 athlete participants attending. A bus will take the students from the school to the field.
- End of Year school trips will take place this year for the students. Every division will be going on a trip. Mrs. Fricano will attempt to attend the trips.
- St. Ann students will participate in the Junior Math Challenge on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> to be held at Bishop Ryan High School. This is a Board-wide event.

#### **New Business:**

- Fundraiser proceeds and plans for play date

**Prayer for meeting:** M. Tapp will provide the opening prayer.

**Next meeting date:** Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. It will be in person in the school library.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.