

# Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (PIC) AGENDA

May 4th, 2021  
 VIA Google Meet  
 6:00p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Rose Burton Spohn (Director of Education), John Caputo (Board Trustee), Ryan Chalifoux (parent - St. Basil Elementary S.S.M.), Bazlur Rasheed (parent - St. Paul), Amy Tolin (OECTA), Kelli Verdecchia (parent - St. Francis), Danny Viotto (Superintendent of Education), Nadia Zanatta (CPCO), Kate Guzzo-Foliaro (parent - St. Basil Elementary)

Regrets:

Minutes: D. Viotto

Chair: K. Verdecchia

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| Welcome                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D. Viotto welcomed everyone and began the meeting at 6:02 pm.</li> </ul>   | D. Viotto     |
| Prayer                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Board Prayer</a></li> </ul>  | K. Verdecchia |
| Review of Minutes from April, 2021 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">PIC Minutes - April 6th, 2021</a></li> <li>Minutes were approved.</li> </ul>   | K. Verdecchia |
| Catholic School Council Updates    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Lady of Lourdes (Elliott Lake): The school is fully involved in the Catholic Education Week activities. One of the activities included a package delivered to families to engage in a planting project at home with their families. Other events include house team events. The CSC continues to look at ideas to continue to reach out to the parent community.</li> <li>St. Basil Elementary School (Sault Ste. Marie): A paint night was held recently as one of the two art events. Bags were delivered to the homes and the instructor did an excellent job engaging the students and families. The CSC was very impressed with how successful the night went. The next session is a dream catcher making night.</li> <li>Our Lady of Lourdes (Sault Ste. Marie): The school is busily involved in the Catholic Education Week Activities and celebrating the theme of Nurturing Hope.</li> <li>Holy Trinity Virtual Academy: Family fun nights are taking place involving a "Fun French night" led by the Curriculum Centre. Other sessions include Yoga and Science North sessions.</li> <li>St. Francis Elementary School: The school is also involved in Catholic Education Week Activities. The CSC has not met since the last meeting.</li> </ul> | All           |

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| SEAC Update   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The last meeting was on April 27 and a presentation was done on the new LEXIA (online program assisting students with reading). Terri Godin, a Vice Principal at Sacred Heart Espanola led the presentation. Another program that was showcased was the Empower Reading program, a program that is intended for students with Learning Disabilities. The meeting ended with a discussion regarding recommendations for the upcoming school year which pertain specifically to students with special needs.</li> </ul>  | R. Burton Spohn         |
| PRO Grant Request (additional funding)                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Additional PRO Funding Request from OLOF</a></li> <li>Funding from the Ministry of Education for Parents Reaching Out Grant for our board was \$4840.54. Through an application process, the PIC approved \$3600 in PRO grant requests from our schools for the 2020-2021 school year. There is \$1840.54 remaining.</li> <li>Our Lady of Lourdes Elliott Lake has requested an additional \$800 from the PRO grant funding. The PIC has approved this request.</li> </ul>                                 | N. Zanatta<br>D. Viotto |
| Virtual Parent Education Debrief, Survey & draw results | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <a href="#">Exit Survey Results for the PIC Speakers Series Event</a></li> <li>❖ Overall the feedback was positive.</li> <li>❖ The presentations were all recorded and have been placed on our board website so parents can always watch it at their convenience.</li> <li>❖ Draws were done for the three Amazon Gift Cards worth \$25 each. The three winning families were: Scott Family, Masse Family, Rasheed Family.</li> <li>❖ D. Viotto will ensure that the three families receive their prizes.</li> </ul> | D. Viotto               |
| Next Meeting Date                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There will be no additional meetings this year.</li> </ul>   | K. Verdecchia           |
| Adjournment   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:48 pm</li> </ul>   | K. Verdecchia           |