



Huron-Superior Catholic
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Parent Involvement Committee
Minutes

Date: Monday, April 24, 2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: [Google Meet](#)

Attendance:

Linda Barone (Parent - SMC), Paul Best (CPCO), Kasia Ceglarz (SEAC Representative), Fil Lettieri (Superintendent of Education), Tiziana Palumbo (CPCO), Danny Viotto (Director of Education)

Regrets:

Lindsay Collins (Parent - St. Basil SSM), Tony D’Agostino (Trustee), Randi Ducharme (Parent - St. Basil White River), Shanna Forest (Parent - OLOL Elliot Lake), Nadia Kovacs (CPCO), Anthony Oraziotti (Parent - St. Mary’s F.I.), Kathleen Rosilius (Trustee), Amy Tolin (OECTA), Sujatha Venkatapathy (Parent - SMC)

Chair: Fil Lettieri

Minutes: Paul Best

AGENDA ITEMS		DISCUSSION POINTS	LED BY
1.	Welcome, Land Acknowledgment, Prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Acknowledgment & Prayer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Fil led the group through a land acknowledgement and video prayer of this year’s theme for Catholic Education - “We Are Many, We Are One”. 	F. Lettieri
2.	Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Minutes of PIC Meeting #4 - Mon., March 20, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The minutes were approved. 	PIC Members

3.	Catholic School Council Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● St. Basil, SSM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ No update ● St. Basil, White River: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ No Update ● St. Mary's College: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Their PRO Grant event was held with Sam Demma. ➢ He facilitated two sessions for students and an afternoon leadership workshop. ➢ The evening session was for parents. ➢ A Parent Appreciation night will take place in the near future. ● St. Mary's French Immersion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Kasia led a SEAC Information Session for parents and staff at SMFI. ➢ An end of the year BBQ is in the works. ● Our Lady of Lourdes French Immersion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ No update 	
4.	SEAC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation - Christine Durcocher, Superintendent of Education responsible for Safe Schools, provided Suspension and Violent Incident Data to SEAC during the March meeting. ● <u>SEAC Information Session for CSC</u> ● The next meeting will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes (Sault Ste. Marie) on Wednesday, April 26th from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. 	K. Ceglaz
5.	Student Census	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Extended until Friday, May 5th to coincide with Catholic Education Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Many families have yet to complete the census. ○ Staff are encouraged to provide families with the opportunity to complete the census during school events (i.e., CSC Meetings). ➢ Incentivized participation (e.g., Samsung tablet and gift cards) ➢ Parent engagement opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) BFN April Social on Wed., April 19th and GRFN Education Dept. Thurs., April 20th 	F. Lettieri

		<p>(2) Drop-in at Holy Angels on Friday, April 21st from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m (3) Newcomer Event planned by MLL Team (4) Supporting students at the Hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Suggestions to increase engagement? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No additional recommendations were provided. 	
6.	PIC Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● STEAM Event Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Met with STEAM Team on Friday, March 31st and Friday, April 14th ➤ STEAM Event date changed from early May to June 5th, 6th and 7th ➤ Families can register for one of the available dates ➤ Free-flow passport system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Introduction - Prayer/Land Acknowledgment and Welcome from PIC (b) Presentations (15 to 20 mins) - Two in the classroom and two in the hallway (c) Exploratory Activities (i.e., Self Guided) - Six stations in the Gym ➤ PIC to assist with stations ➤ Save the Date Poster - Recommended that it go out the week of April 24th ➤ Registration to open May 1st (CEW) and close May 12th ➤ Anticipated costs \$2,000 for kits and \$500 for prize draws ➤ East/North to submit dates of event by May 1st to schedule the kits and potential support from STEAM Team and PIC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ St. Mary's College will need to sign up for their own dates ● Action Items from Last Meet & Next Steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Promotional Flyer - Amy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fil will follow up with Amy and/or Jim to create the flyer and post it on the board's website and social media platforms. ➤ Parent Engagement Presentation - Linda/Tiziana <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PIC importance was highlighted ○ Types of parental involvement ○ Influences on student behaviour ○ Ways to increase parent involvement ○ Positive results of parent involvement ○ Fil will share the entire presentation with the PIC ➤ Welcome to Kindergarten Flyer for Parent Engagement - Kasia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kasia will work on a flyer ○ A booth about PIC/CSC may be set up at Welcome to Kindergarten events 	<p>F. Lettieri</p> <p>PIC Members</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Online Registration - Nadia (i.e., Eventbrite or Survey Monkey?) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fil will follow up with Nadia to create and distribute the registration link to schools ➤ Stations - Sign-up to assist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sign up sheet will be shared with the group ➤ Refreshments/Board Tent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fil will arrange the refreshments ● Swag ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reusable Bag <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fil shared with us a Swag idea ○ A reusable bag is a great example of being stewards of our environment, which is a Catholic Graduate Expectation ○ The PIC fridge magnet from last year another idea that can be used again 	
8.	New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There was no new business. 	
9.	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. 	

Next Meeting: May 15th, 2023 (tentative)