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PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 10th, 2019, Boardroom - 6:00 p.m.
Supper available at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

Attendance: Katy Ferguson, Julie Ann Marshall, Jo Ann DaSilva, Keri-Lyn Williams (Fletcher), Trustee Jennifer Cooney and Superintendent Norma McDonald.

1. Prayer & Welcome – Norma
2. Review Meeting Minutes from May 28th, 2019 – Items moving forward for 2019-20 school year:
 - PIC minutes circulated to Catholic School Council Chairs
 - Include in principal newsletters, on websites.
 - PIC members invited to CSC meetings
 - PIC members would like more posters and visuals advertising the work of PIC and Catholic Education Coalition events in the main office area of schools.
 - Survey to all Catholic School Councils to see how PIC can support schools.
3. Presentation from the Curriculum Department on Supporting Students Learning.
 - Excellent presentation from Mary-Kate Bridson and Meghan Wood on how parents can support student learning at home. Included many parent engagement sites and Ministry links. Shared TVO Mathify site that provides tutoring in Math, worthy YouTube Tutorials such as from Khan Academy and Math Antics. Mathies games and learning tools, games to foster number sense, game-based learning with tvomPower and Math Storytime. Excellent parent guide was shared entitled “Reading and Writing with Your Child”, K-Grade 6 as well as our CDSBEO parent resource “Making reading fun for all!”. Family Literacy Day

Learning and Growing Together in Christ

and ABC Life Literacy Canada site was explored. Parents were very impressed with our Board-wide digital library Sora! Students can log on and access hundreds of eBooks and audiobooks. Parents enjoyed looking at the shared digital collection.

- Parents suggested link to homework help be sent out electronically to parents and highlighted on school websites.

4. Budget – PIC has \$35,108.71 to support parent involvement initiatives and events for the 2019-20 school year.
5. PRO Grants – CDSBEO has received \$9,201.28 in Parent Reaching Out funds for the 2019-20 school year.
6. Next Meeting Dates – January 23rd - create survey, organize CEC events. Final meeting in May. At next meeting discuss succession planning and develop a system for PIC member nominations and election.