

**Bishop James Mahoney High School
CSCC Meeting
November 21, 2022
6:30pm**

MINUTES

Attendance: Cori, Kari, Tamara, Jocelyn, Rana, Sandy, Loretta
Regrets: Michael, Joni, Derek

1. Welcome, Prayer
2. Approval of November 21, 2022 Meeting Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve agenda made by Jocelyn and second by Tamara. All in favor. Carried.
3. Approval of Minutes from meeting held on October 17, 2022
 - a. Motion to approve minutes made by Loretta and second by Jocelyn. All in favor. Carried.
4. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a. TRC Calls to Action – Language & Culture
 17. We call upon all levels of government to enable residential school Survivors and their families to reclaim names changed by the residential school system by waiving administrative costs for a period of five years for the name-change process and the revision of official identity documents, such as birth certificates, passports, driver's licenses, health cards, status cards, and social insurance numbers.
[IR4-8-2015-eng.pdf \(publications.gc.ca\)](#)
5. Reports
 - a. Principal
 - i. Grad parents committee meeting was held and an online vote was made available, resulting in no banquet being held; will have grand march and after grad, with after grad starting earlier to allow for parents/guests to watch the grand march before after grad getting started.
 - ii. Wonderful turnout for fall awards as had many parents, etc., in attendance with the students who received awards. Will do it the same way next year with just award recipients only attending.
 - iii. BJM Football are provincial champs in their division. Wrestling and basketball are getting underway. BJM is hosting the; BOLT classic for basketball starting December 1.
 - iv. Band concert will be held the evening of Dec 7.
 - v. Decision made to not host the annual grandparents tea due to concerns around flu/covid.

- vi. Food drive to take place starting Dec 1 to support Guadalupe and St. Anne's parish hampers. Students are asked to bring peanut butter, rice, cereal, oatmeal as some items that have been requested.
- vii. Treaty medal committee met 2 weeks ago. There are 6 different posters teachers can pick from to actualize the core instruction around treaty and reconciliation understanding. Kelly Fineday, school board consultant, shared that our division has a paint lesson experience that could be used as an educational night for parents, which might be option for CSCC to do a parent paint lesson(s) as part of engaging parents to the school community. If Kelly were to come to introduce the paint lesson and share meaning behind the techniques, CSCC would have to provide her with tobacco and an honorarium. The paint lesson is a video that participants watch to do the painting. CSCC could cost share from the grant money to buy the supplies needed for the paint night(s). Kari can assist with getting it organized but need someone from committee to lead it. Sandy can help with design of communication plan with support from Rana in communicating it out to the school community via social media, etc. Discussion around charging a small fee (\$5-\$10) that would be collected at door on night of the event. Could start with a group of 30-50 to see what interest is like and add more sessions if there is demand for more. Look to do this the first week of March.
 - 1. **ACTION:** Kari will get more info from Kelly and share with Sandy to design a communication plan.

b. Chair

- i. Parent engagement conference that was to have been held in North Battleford was cancelled.
- ii. Cori asked those in attendance for permission to put their name and CSCC position on BJM's school website; all at tonight's meeting gave permission to do so.
 - 1. **ACTION:** Cori will consult with those not in attendance tonight to request their permission and then Cori will give list of names/positions to Kari/Melaine to upload to website.

c. Vice-Chair

- i. Sandy nothing to report

d. Secretary

- i. Loretta nothing to report

e. Treasurer

- i. Jocelyn nothing to report

f. Members at Large

- i. Nothing to report

6. Old Business

- a. Ideas to use school grant funds follow-up

- i. Cori shared constitution and handbook with all via email prior to tonight's meeting which provided clarification on use of funds for student vs. parent initiatives
- ii. Discussion around ideas CSCC could consider to use funds:
 - 1. Indigenous paint night idea
 - 2. HSA open house—provide refreshments and have a presence at this open house to tell parents about CSCC
 - 3. Grade 9 open house—provide refreshments and have a presence at this open house to tell parents about CSCC
 - 4. Treaty medal installation—provide refreshments (eg. Bannock) or provide other financial supports as determined by Treaty medal installation committee

7. New Business

- a. Trustee Engagement Meeting Recap – Tamara
 - i. Thank you for the opportunity to attend
 - ii. Engaging families in meaningful and respectful way
 - iii. 3 excellent presenters
 - iv. Importance of spirituality; if you feed them, they will come as per Lyndon Linklater.
 - v. You don't know what you don't know. You don't know why people may not be getting involved so can't make assumptions about why that is.
 - vi. Educating the community is key and sharing more with general community, not just with parents/school community. Need to be sharing truth in your family of what happened to Indigenous people. There are different workshops available to educate parents on this.
- b. CSCC Members Requirement as per Constitution/Handbook – Derek
 - i. Derek was not able to attend tonight's meeting but raised via email that CSCC is supposed to have a teacher and students on CSCC
 - ii. Kari shared that she can invite students/teachers to attend but can't compel them to attend. Would need to be clear and transparent on what is expected of them/what their role is if going forward to asking a teacher and students to be involved.
 - iii. Doesn't appear to be a practice at other schools in the division with one exception as Holy Cross does have a teacher on their CSCC.
 - iv. Constitution was created many years ago when CSCC's were being formed and this requirement may not be relevant any longer
 - 1. **ACTION:** CSCC to have a more detailed discussion at an upcoming meeting around what role we want the student(s) to play/report on if they were to attend CSCC meetings.
 - v. St. Anne has a youth coordinator and the CSCC constitution/handbook indicated a parish rep could also be part of CSCC which may encourage/strengthen that relationship between church/school population

1. **ACTION:** Sandy will speak with St. Anne youth coordinator to see if he would want to attend a meeting or collaborate with CSCC on student/parent engagement
 - c. Use of Student Activity Fees – Sandy
 - i. Clarification was requested on what the student activity fees are used for.
 - ii. Kari shared that these are used for all the different clubs/activities that are offered to students during the school year. Each club/activity submits a budget for consideration and these student activity fees are used to support those submitted budgets. Money goes towards drama production, SRG activities, pep rally supplies, athletics (uniforms, equipment) as examples.
 1. **ACTION:** Kari to report at a later meeting as to how the funds were allocated for this school year
 - d. “Christmas Tradition” Discussion – Cori
 - i. Have approx. \$80.00 to spend. Tradition has been to provide “treats” for teachers/support staff of BJM the last week of school before Christmas holidays begin. Leave these in the staff room on the Monday of that week for staff to enjoy.
 - ii. Microwave popcorn, granola bars, herbal teas, hot chocolate, cup a soup, oranges, candy canes are examples of what could be purchased
 - iii. There are approximately 70 staff at BJM
 - iv. Motion was made by Sandy to spend a maximum of \$80 on items for this initiative. Second by Rana. All in favor. Carried.
 1. **ACTION:** Loretta will do the shopping for this and will submit receipts for reimbursement
 2. **ACTION:** Cori will consult with Kari to see if we can get into the school at 6:30pm on Monday, Dec 19 to set up these treats in the staff room
 - v. For February teacher appreciation week, CSCC will discuss with Derek if there is an opportunity to provide treats through his wife’s business
 1. **ACTION:** Loretta to add this item to the agenda for the Feb 6, 2023 CSCC meeting.
8. Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Loretta. Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.
 9. Next meeting: Monday, February 6, 2023 6:30pm @ BJM