



**Fort Saskatchewan Christian School - Parent Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 15, 2017**  
**6:00 pm - Staff Room**

Our latest Parent Council meeting took place March 15, 2017. As our Chair has resigned since the last meeting, our Co-Chair ran the meeting. We listened to a wonderful song about trusting in God's plan as our devotional. After approval of the last meetings' minutes we moved on to the agenda.

Mr. Alstad gave us an update on the Teaching for Transformation Thread of the Month. The focus for March is on Idolatry Discerner. It is interesting to note that the first two of The Commandments relate to this issue. In biblical times idolatry worship was typically physical, manmade items. In our modern world that can still be true but often it can be things like money or power that are the idols. We also heard readings from Psalms 115 and Psalms 16.

Our Trustee was unable to attend our meeting but she did send along some notes with Principal Peters. Two main topics that will be discussed at the March 16 Board meeting are the vote regarding the potential closure of Ministik School and also the 3 year Capital Plan.

The COSC meeting March 1 was largely surrounding the AGM resolutions that will be presented at the meeting in April. There are currently 8 proposed resolutions ranging from adding computer coding to the curriculum to changing the way parents access the Accountability Pillar survey. Two other notes from the COSC group were that the report card changes have been approved, and the deadline for Boundary Exemption requests is April 7. The next COSC meeting will be held on April 5.

Parent/Teacher interviews are quickly approaching! Our Parent Council will once again be preparing a meal to support them during the busyness. We will each pitch in to provide a hot meal on the Tuesday night.

We also have several other upcoming events to prepare for. Teacher Appreciation week is coming up the first week of May and preparations have begun! The French Café will be returning and we will be filling in for lunch supervision so all staff can attend. We have decided to not only go ahead with our April Parent Council meeting date but we will be having our AGM that day as well. It is an open meeting to all parents and we will be inviting nominated parents to attend. The School Auction will be taking place April 21. There are many projects on the go already for student donations and we are hoping for many more! The day of the auction we could also use many hands to set everything up. Lastly, but certainly not least, we have started to plan our Volunteer Appreciation morning for a day in May.

We had some open discussion about a couple of topics. This included possible treats for the kids on March 17 and ideas surrounding the remainder of the Parent Council budget and how we could best use it moving forward.

The Administration report touched on several topics as well. There was a Professional Learning day on March 3 for our classified staff. At the same time, our certificated staff attended a presentation on TFT, did learning surrounding zones of regulation, and worked on report cards. There will be one more PL day this year on April 28. We are also having our semi-annual Junior High Spiritual Emphasis Day on April 20. The Jr High students will all attend a speaker session with Paul Fraser of the Pentecostal Assembly of Canada and then each grade will have their own session in turn.

The playground location is currently being reviewed by EIPS and we eagerly await their go ahead. Re-enrolment for next year is complete and the new system was well received. We have one teacher that will not be returning to us next year - Mrs. Call. Mrs. Enslin has joined our ECS classes in a temporary EA position.

Again, the Fort Saskatchewan Christian School Parent Council AGM will be held on April 19 at 7:00pm. At this meeting we will be electing our Chair, Co-chair and Secretary. We also have a few of members who have fulfilled their three year commitment. This means that our nomination committee (consisting of our co-chair, our Principal, and one other parent from Parent Council) will be busy between now and then collecting nominations.

Besides the April 19 meeting, we have one more meeting this year on May 10.