

St. James Collegiate Parent Advisory Meeting Report

January 14th, 2025

Parents in Attendance: H. Zia, B. Donder, L. Terichow Parrott

Meeting called: 6:07 pm

September Minutes:

- Reviewed and approved.

Principals Report to Parent Advisory (Kyle Lizotte):

- **Enrolment:** These numbers will fluctuate as the school year continues.
 - Grade 9: 99
 - Grade 10: 112
 - Grade 11: 137
 - Grade 12: 142
 - Total: 490

Staff Updates

- Mr. Cameron Penner (librarian)
- Mr. Charles Girden (Semester 2 ELA and Alt. Ed)
- Ms. Jaqlyn Rutherford (Semester 2 Chemistry and Science)
- Ms. Elizabeth Matyi (Vice Principal – Grade 10's)
- **Thank you!**
 - Parent community support has been much appreciated at all concerts, performances, and athletic events.
- **Recent School Events, Clubs and Supports of/for Learning:**

Academics:

- Provincial Assessments for Grade 12 English has been completed
- Provincial Assessments for Grade 12 Math happens during the week of January 20th-24th
- Final Assessment Week for all grade 10-12 students happens Jan. 27 - 30th
- Semester 2 begins on Monday, Feb. 3rd.

Arts:

- Remembrance Day Service featured choir, guitar, dance, and concert band
- Addams Family Musical
- Winter Concert featuring our SJCI Jazz and Concert Bands.
- Jazz band is booked to perform at the Jazz Festival in Brandon.

Athletics:

- Cross-Country season completed
- Student and staff badminton tournament had high involvement.
- Volleyball seasons completed with steady improvement made by all teams.
- Basketball season is underway, and the Jimmie Winter Classic was a big success.
- Athletic fee's and expenditures reviewed.

School Wide Initiatives:

- Reviewed ongoing clubs and successes from the "Jimmies Get Involved" pamphlet created annually that features our school's clubs and events.
- Eco Jimmies have been invited to present at the Fair Trade Conference in Toronto regarding their initiatives and learning about Zero-Food Waste initiatives
- Beam Team to Saskatoon to access the Canadian Particle Accelerator Facility based on their research proposal submitted in the spring of 2024.

• **Building Enhancements, Improvements and "As is" Items:**

- Additional staff washroom in tech hallway.
- Flooring completed in home ec. room
- Accessible kitchen completed in home ec. room
- Revised mural in cafeteria is underway.
- Additional student common area has been created outside of the middle school gymnasium for all students to access.

• **New Business and Requests:**

- Review of current athletic fee concept and the concerns of overall costs of athletics for our major sports. The possibility of an additional fee will be introduced to the community for our two most costly sports (volleyball and basketball) while leaving the current \$50 payment in place for all other athletics.
- Topic of additional athletics being provided was mentioned, specifically the inclusion of indoor track to an increased number of students that would fall under the current athletic fee structure.

Next Proposed Meeting: Spring date TBD on a Tuesday at 6:00pm held in partnership with George Waters Middle School

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25 pm.

Minutes prepared by: K. Lizotte (Principal)