

St. Cecilia School Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC)

Minutes

Date: January 14, 2020

Co-Chairs: Marisa Cuoco and Olga Geryluk
 Secretary: Sharon Da Silva
 Treasurer: Deirdre Swatman
 School Administration: Stephen Dempsey (Principal)
 Attendance: See appendix

Agenda Item	Comments
Agenda & Minutes Approval Prayer	<p>Olga/Marisa called the meeting to order.</p> <p>Motion to approve December minutes: Moved by Jen/Seconded by Erica.</p> <p>Prayer lead by Mr. Dempsey</p>
Financials (Treasurer's Report)	<p>Deirdre presented the December Financial report. An opportunity for questions was provided.</p> <p>Report shows some late activity fees coming in (will recheck). Great to see that teachers are using their STEAM funds. Doing well at this stage in the school year.</p> <p>An ask for ten (10) large whiteboards to be used in 3 classrooms (Mme. Wilson/Mme Faion-Kralik/Mme. Varells)... 10 boards for \$480. Motion: To purchase ten large whiteboards should funds become available. Motion Carried.</p> <p>Motions to approve Financial report: Moved by Marlene/Seconded by Alex.</p> <p><i>See attached Budget for more details</i></p>
Principal's Report	<p>Mr. Dempsey:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EDFO: affects the school's ECEs, however, not affected during the day. Extra-curricular/trips are affected *need to make arrangements to keep 15:1 ratio as we have four (4) ECEs - OECT: work to rule is in effect, term 2 reports cards will be affected (has letter grades but no comments/descriptions), no staff meetings/trips, and a walkout planned for Tuesday January 21st... schools will be closed! - K-3 bilingual "red little big theatre" - Scientists in class - Ski trip (grades 5-8) on February 20th - Hockey tryouts (grades 6-8) on February 16th - SPARXs program starts January 22nd afterschool - Plasp Summer Camps open for registration on January 15th

	<p><u>Other:</u> Kindergarten registration: January 15th (online or in person) OLSAT8 Assessment (grade 4): January 15th PA Day: January 17th Report cards: February 11th</p>
<p>Other Business</p>	<p><u>Parent Survey (Olga):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PLAYGROUND (Richard): looked at pricing for artificial turf... \$5/sq. ft, too expensive as it might run up to `~\$100k+ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - do a price comparison with rubber surface - planning for a gate at the ‘outdoor classroom’ to be installed, waiting for Mr. Dempsey to get a reply from the school board • COMMUNITY-BUILDING EVENTS (Jen): looked at a few options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Skate Night – free, looking to have an event at Runnymede rink (skate time 4-10pm) in Feb/March or at other rinks nearby... \$250 for hot chocolate, etc. b) Movie Night – waiting for a reply from Cineplex, at moment \$2 movie showings are offered c) 30/30 or Yacht club – for parent only event • PHYSICAL ACTIVITY/DPA (Liesbeth and Candace): looked at some options to increase physical activity at the school, as it is very beneficial mentally, physically and socially. In the ministry’s policy with requirement of DPA of 20 min of moderate to vigorous activity per day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Needs to be implemented consistently on a daily basis *Meeting with interested parents/teachers to form a solution with Mr. Dempsey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Personal trainer (Ana) can help with the formulation of some exercise schedules, etc. b) Competitive skip rope (jump rope), a full body benefit, in which can be done solo/groups/teams and with music. Also, some organizations offer free ropes • BULLYING/STRESS (Natalia): suggested to arrange a speaker to come to St. Cecilia. Potential speakers are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bruce Langford – “stand up now”, anti-bullying prevention program. It’s a 1day program with 3 events/assembly, in which we can do grade K-3/4, 5-8 and evening session for parents (kids can come along)... \$1395 + hst b) Debra Pepler – “prepnight.ca”, which links to great resources c) One week of activities in which older grades teams up to speak to the younger grades, “awareness week” • HEALTH & SAFETY (Karen): looking at possible dates as in November or last week of school before summer vacation. A potential speaker which will

	<p>provide a good support program for parents and offer a children’s daytime event is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Paul Davis – technology/social network safety, twitter/Instagram, sexting/cyber bullying, etc... \$975 + hst *will be presenting at Michael Power on April 27th b) Vaping talk – waiting for a pediatrician’s reply, targeting grades 6 to 8 parents, public health... free but allocating \$500 for a location if needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CURRICULUM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Math Café – led by 1 or 2 teachers on staff, peer tutoring program where senior students mentor younger students... \$500 for supplies, etc. b) Math development Resources – bringing back resources that was cut affected by ministry budget cuts... \$1500 c) Numeracy Program – math supplement for grades 7-8, which is starting next week d) Scientist in the Classroom – looking at increasing budget <p>*All items will be summarized and sent out be voted on – Ranking of Survey Proposal!</p>
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting. Moved by Jen / Seconded by Tessa.

APPENDIX

17 Voting Members present, quorum reached

Present:

Marisa Cuoco
Olga Geryluk
Deirdre Swatman
Sharon da Silva
Jennifer Santos
Ben Hughes
Tessa Wood
Erica Kourous
Marlene Carvalho- Hasip
Vida Mascarenhas
Marta Pereira
Colleen Uncao-Kalkounis
Alexandra Hartnett
Candace McArthur

Ana Muro-Ulas
Rachel Rasile
Karen Kirch

Regrets:

Jennifer Carriere
Patrizia Libralato
Francisco Peralta
Natalia Naranjo (call)