

Minutes of St. Cecilia School Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC) AGM

Date: October 10, 2015

Chairs: Olga Geryluk, Marisa Cicero

Vice Chair: Jocelyn Reyes Midghall (regrets)

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Santos

Treasurer: Sandy Moutinho

School Administration: Nick Biagini, Principal (regrets) and Victoria Purri (Vice Principal)

Attendance: See appendix

Agenda Item	Comments
Agenda & Minutes Approval Prayer	<p>Marisa called the meeting to order.</p> <p>Prayer lead by Victoria.</p> <p>Change to agenda: Police representative not able to make it due to family emergency. Will visit soon to speak regarding safety during child drop off and pick up of students.</p> <p>Motion: Approve Agenda for October Meeting: Moved by Aldona/seconded by Jennifer.</p>
Financials (Treasurers Report)	<p>Sandy presented the budget and the monthly financials. Ending Balance as of October 2015 \$42,992.91</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teachers were very encouraged by the budget review provided to them.• Parent provided a sample of budget from another school to give an idea of how to communicate and educate parents on budget. (communications committee will review)• Parents discussed budget. <p>Motion: Approve financials: moved by by Cecilia/seconded by Claire.</p> <p>See attached Budget for more details.</p>
Principal's Report	<p>Victoria Purri:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Safety Program coordinated by Division 11 to be postponed to next week.• November 16, 2015 Friendship-Anti bullying initiative for Grade 4 to 8 by Dr. Karyn Gorden and sponsored by Pizza Pizza. Focus being on what makes a great friend. Award presented to one our our students who writes the strongest nomination from someone in school whom he/she considers to be a great friend.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stationary bikes have been ordered and will arrive soon. Staff will devise creative ways for students to access the bikes. • Grade 7 and 8 students will alternate use of schools yards to provide accessibility of basketball nets to Grade 6 students. • School received a \$1000 grant to start growing our own produce. Mr. Caverhill to spearhead the initiative. • Teachers to coordinate moderated marking initiative in order to streamline assessment in the school. Will start with writing. • New gate will be constructed in the North yard in order to avoid access by students to parking lot. • Social skills development initiative will include Teacher-Student buddy system as well Grade 8 workshops.
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>Real Food for Real Kids:</p> <p>Parents of approximately 70 students have shown interest. More information to follow, likely start date January 2016.</p> <p>Playground:</p> <p>There was some discussion about planning some playground improvements to honor the Centenary fundraising pledge of making 'lasting improvements to our school'.</p> <p>The options of adding 'Friendship' benches was raised at the Budget meeting by school staff and outlined at the meeting. Members were in agreement that these would be a good add to our playground-augmenting seating options and having a nice message that would be introduced by teaching staff.</p> <p>The option of adding a Rock Climbing apparatus to our existing playground was suggested by the play structure contractor last year and this year and discussed by the group. The consensus was that this addition would augment an underused section of the playground and will help spread out the children at playtime/add some interest.</p> <p>The Playground Committee Chair explained that at a recent inspection, the playground was found to be in good condition with a life of ~10 years.</p> <p>Motion: Approve up to \$800 from Centenary fundraising to purchase two friendship benches (one for each yard). Moved by Aldona/ passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion: Approve up to \$2500 to install a rock climbing apparatus to the large play structure.</p>

	<p>Deferred: A beam in the back yard will also be replaced. Cost to be determined.</p> <p>Miscellaneous:</p> <p>School staff enquired about whether it was possible for CSPC to help replace some of the current heavy wooden tables with lighter plastic ones. Members agreed that these tables were not user friendly and more plastic ones were needed.</p> <p>Motion: Purchase plastic tables to replace the heavy, wooden ones currently at school, for a cost of up to \$700. Moved by Aldona, seconded by Jennifer.</p> <p>School events:</p> <p>Santa will be visiting St. Cecilia on Monday December 7th. 40% of monies raised will be donated to The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Parents should register via MunchALunch. Communication to follow.</p> <p>All information will be provided on social media, blogs etc.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Motion: To adjourn meeting. Moved by Rosana, seconded by Olga</p>

APPENDIX 25 Voting Members

Present:

1. Aldona Armstrong
2. Paola Beaton
3. Teresa Borgiel
4. Marisa Cicero
5. Mary Ellen Lynch Comisso
6. Olga Geryluk
7. Cathy Henry
8. Erica Kourous
9. Rosanna Mangion
10. Colleen Murphy
11. Sandy Moutinho
12. Claire Naranjo-Vargas
13. Jennifer Santos
14. Julie Sheppard-Greenhow

15. Jamie Sprules
16. Deirdre Swatman
17. Richard Williams
18. Elisa Nicolau

Regrets:

1. Patrizia Libralato
2. Jocelyn Reyes-Midghall
3. Sharon Da Silva
4. Claire Suhay

Absent:

- 1. Elsa Romao**
- 2. Joanna Stocking**
- 3. Diana Alpeza**