## Minutes of St. Cecilia School Council Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: December 10, 2014

Chairs: Marisa Cicero & Olga Geryluk Recording Secretary: Teresa Pavlin

Treasurer: Sandy Moutinho

School Administration: Lorinda Mazza (Principal) Victoria Purri (Vice-Principal)

Attendance: See appendix

Next Meeting: 7pm Wednesday, January 14, 2014

Agenda Item	Comments
Agenda	Olga called the meeting to order.
& Minutes	
Approval	Motion to approve agenda & last 2 meeting minutes: Patrizia
Budget Review	Second: Sharon
Financials	See attachment
Principals	Sports & Clubs
Report	Primary Soccer
(Victoria Purri)	Eco-Club: Waste-free lunch Thursdays & Lights out Friday afternoons
	Centenary Mass
	Congratulatory letter read by Victoria from Mr. Formosa
	School Activities
	Choir sang at Legislative Assembly
	Mural completed
	Bake Sale for Ottawa trip raised \$515.40
	Safe School Symposium – be an UPSTANDER – 'Random Acts of Kindness'
	Admission policy: meeting held regarding the registration process
	French Immersion Info Night
	Christmas Angel Program underway
	Facility
	Rm 118 (Music room)
	Rm 125 FDK room to be completed end of January
	Upcoming in December/January
	Please see report (attachment)
School	Concerns about overpopulation of school.
Population	Current catchment area is Runnymede to the west, Bloor to the south, Dundas
(Lori Mazza)	West to the east, Rail line to the north.
	Lori's numbers predict that registration rules are followed, stick to 4 FDK classes
	the current school population will fit in the current facility.

French Immersion will begin in JK Sept. 2015; Registration will be online and will not allow a preference for children who have siblings. Date stamps will be 1/1000 of a second. In-person registration will also be available.

If you do not agree with the policy, now is a good time to make your view understood. The board claims that there was a consultative process but there is a sense that parents were not consulted to a great degree.

1 = English JK-SK (approx. 20 English JKs – assuming 10 SKs choose English)

3 = French JK-SK classes (3 x 30 students)

Last year, 17 students in catchment were turned away.

We have room for 28 classes, which if, the school is successfully right sized means that we do not need to change the boundary or send any of our classes to another school.

Is this our only option for raising an issue? We could go to a board meeting and send a delegation.

The proposed secondary admission will also be adjusted. Inputs must be in by February 2015. The school guidance counselor will come and speak to CSAC in February or March about this.

Fire code is not an issue since hallways are wide and there are many exits for a higher capacity school population to safely attend the school facility.

If parents want to challenge the sibling rule this is a good time to approach the board and the trustee to identify there are problems with this approach.

Marisa and Olga proposed requesting a formal boundary review via the Board which CSAC has the capacity to do, to draw attention to our overpopulation. The Board only does a few of these each year because of cost, so it is likely we won't receive one, but the Chairs feel there may be some value in drawing the Boards attention to our issues in a formal way. Please see attached letter. Members will vote on the issue in January.

Please see attachment for more details on enrolment projections and assumptions.

## Fundraising Committee

Motion to approve 2 movie nights \$300: Claire second: Dave To take place Jan/June 2015 Dates to be confirmed by next meeting.

### Pizza Committee Green Committee

Motion to approve Pizza lunch moved by Sharon second: Dave

Fundraiser idea: sell water bottles to raise dollars to install a water bottle refilling fountain.

Grants Committee	We have a parent who has volunteered to spearhead a grants committee and the first order of business will be doing an environmental scan to see what is available. If you are interested in helping out with this please contact Olga and Marisa.
Other Business	Board Social Justice Committee call for members – deadline Dec. 17, 2014
	School replica ornaments are still available for purchase (\$15)
	Louise looking to plant bulbs this weekend, Saturday @ 10am
	Tanja Berger looking for volunteers to plan graduation. Contact her by email to join.
Adjournment	Marisa called to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Teresa

#### **APPENDIX 29 Voting Members**

#### Present:

- 1. Valerie Arsenault-Borys
- 2. Heath Beatson
- 3. Paula Beatson
- 4. Marisa Cicero
- 5. Sharon Da Silva
- 6. Olga Geryluk
- 7. Albert Girouard
- 8. Julie Sheppard-Greenhow
- 9. Cathy Henry
- 10. Patrizia Libralato
- 11. Mary Ellen Lynch-Comisso

- 12. Colleen Murphy
- 13. Claire Naranjo-Vargas
- 14. Louise Nimigon
- 15. Lyette Obonsawin
- 16. Teresa Pavlin
- 17. Amy Ringrose
- 18. Julie Sheppard-Greenhow
- 19. Adrienne Solda
- 20. Claire Suhay
- 21. Roberto Tuzi
- 22. David Webb

#### Regrets:

- 1. Tanja Berger
- 2. Erica Kourous
- 3. Sandra Leffler
- 4. Sandy Moutinho
- 5. Elisa Nicolau
- 6. Ersillia Serafini

# Absent: (2nd absence indicated in brackets will result in removal as a voting member)

- 1. Irina Koudriavtsev
- 2. Christine Lausic (2)
- 3. Elsa Romao (2)
- 4. Lorianne Zeppieri (2)

#### Non-Voting:

Crystal Amaral Aldona Armstrong Teresa Borgiel Pat DeGeorgio Lorinda Mazza Victoria Purri

Maggie Tavares