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

Date: April 19th, 2016

Chairs: Olga Geryluk, Marisa Cicero

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Santos (regrets)

Treasurer: Sandy Moutinho

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

Attendance: See appendix

Agenda Item	Comments
Agenda	Marisa called the meeting to order.
& Minutes Approval Prayer	Prayer lead by Victoria. One change to agenda: remove Playground Committee update and add in Green Committee update. Motion to approve agenda: Moved by Patrizia/Seconded by Sandy
Financials (Treasurers Report)	Sandy briefly reviewed deposits and expenses for Feb & March Money in Paypal account has not yet been transferred – these fund will be reflected in April financials. Still a significant number of busses and Scientist in Classroom allocations that have not been used/spent by teachers.
	Motions to Approve Feb and March financials: Patrizia; seconded by Claire
	See "Financials" attachments for more budget details.
Principal's Report	 Victoria Purri: Chrome books are finally in! St C Spring Art Gallery – Thurs May 5th from 6-8pm: each class is creating a canvass to be auctioned off Wizard of Oz - Thurs May 12th: kids have memorized lines & are working on acting skills. Dress rehearsal will take place during the day of May 12th, followed by performance in the evening. Tickets are on sale. Ministry of Health: wants to make important health announcement May 4th. St C is on short list of preferred schoolswe'll see what happens! St C 2016/2017: our school is adding another 2 additional classes for the coming year; another gr 7 class and another SK/1 class Mr. Biagini- Principal of the Year! Our school principal, Mr. Biagini, has won "Principal of the Year". Nominations can be submitted by fellow school principals and parents. Congratulations!!

- Louise Russo Youth Award: our school's *Wave Youth Action* program (led my Mrs. Grossi) has won this award! Award recognizes youth that exemplify the 3R's Respect, Responsibility and the Role of leadership through initiatives that reduce violence in their communities award also includes a monetary grant of \$1,500. Congratulations!!
- **S'Cool Life Fund**: they have awarded St C with a \$2,700 music project grant (Mrs. Spalding submitted the application)! Yay!

Committee Updates

Fun Fair

- Thursday June 9th, 2016 ~ 3:00-7:30pm
- Beer tent has been approved by TCDSB
- Intent it to keep it "easy & fun"
- Parent volunteers will not be cooking food this year will be food stations in the gym (local restaurants)
- Wristbands will be used again and sold via Munchalunch platform
- Dunk Tank is booked and lots of teachers have already volunteered to sit in the "wet seat"
- Look for a parent volunteer call out in May

Green Committee

- St C water bottles have been delivered (96 ordered, 7 are left if you want one, let us know)
- Plastic bag challenge ends April 22
- Used Battery Recycling program end April 22
- Mr. Caverhill is collecting used handheld devices
- Louise & Julie met to research and plan out the school outdoor plantings (based on Consultation with local nursery) Thank you!!!
- Plan looks great & includes annuals, perennials, wild flowers, wild grasses etc.
- An "open house" planting day will be scheduled around 3rd week of May to engage student involvement in planting
- April 20 -TCDSB consultant coming to see if St C can get some free trees planted
- St C needs a second water bottle fill station
- Motion put forward by Marisa to fund this (approx. \$1,800 for unit and \$1,500 for installation) if we have the money available at end of school year; seconded by Mary Ellen – unanimous agreement by members present

Other Business

Pro Grant: we want to apply for \$1,000 for 2016/2017.

2 options for topic: 1) How to support math curriculum at home; 2) financial literacy workshop. Majority of those present preferred option #2 **OCAPE**: hosting annual parent meeting/gala May 6 & 7. We have one free ticket…let us know if you want to go (event includes keynote speakers, activities etc.)

School TV: Mrs. Grossi requested CSPC's help in funding TV, stand, keyboard & software for school. Will be used to communicated all the different school events/activities to students, stream performances or masses, a tool for staff meetings, a tool for library programs etc.

Motion made by Claire for CSPC to fund up to \$750 for this; seconded by Patrizia. Unanimous agreement by members present

School hand bus: St C school hand has been invited to perform at Canada'

School band bus: St C school band has been invited to perform at Canada's Wonderland. Request was submitted for CSPC to fund a bus for this. Resolution is to take funds originally approved for a bus to vocal performance (which was cancelled) and reallocate for this bus.

Instrument call out: Marisa will speak to instrumental teacher to create list of instruments needed and circulate to parents via newsletter and blog to see if anyone can donate their used instruments.

CSPC Executive: All positions are open for next year (Chair or co-chairs; secretary, treasurer). If you are interested, please contact us to discuss further

Volunteer Tea: April 28th - to celebrate all of the parents/caregivers that contribute to/support the school. Please RSVP to Victoria

Karen Gordon @ St Pius: Karen is coming April 28 (8-9pm) to talk about "Raising Healthy Kids in an Age of Overindulgence". If interested in attending, please RSVP to: joannenoble01@yahoo.ca

First Communion Luncheon: May 16th 11:15-12:15 in the school gym. All gr 2 students invited - in place of school dress code, "smart" dress is suggested.

All information will be provided on social media, blogs etc.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn meeting. Moved by Sandy, seconded by Colleen.

APPENDIX 20 Voting Members

Present:

- 1. Claire Naranjo-Vargas
- 2. Colleen Murphy
- 3. Erica Kourous
- 4. Olga Geryluk
- 5. Paola Beatson
- 6. Patrizia Libralato
- 7. Sandy Moutinho
- 8. Rosanna Mangion
- 9. Julie Sheppard-Greenhow
- 10. Marisa Cicero
- 11. Mary Ellen Lynch Comisso
- 12. Sharon Da Silva

- 13. Claire Suhay
- 14. Elisa Nicolau

Regrets:

- 1. Aldona Armstrong
- 2. Jamie Sprules
- 3. Jennifer Santos
- 4. Richard Williams
- 5. Cathy Henry
- 6. Teresa Borgiel