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Catholic School Advisory Council**

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November 22, 2017 Meeting Minutes

CSPC Meeting Attendees:

Executive: Paul Matos (Co-Chair), Gus Gikas (Co-Chair), Cindy Matos (Secretary)

Voting Members: Silvia Mendonca (OAPCE Rep), Lina Gikas, Monica Andrade, and Joanna Dubak

Staff/Admin: Colleen Pontello (Principal), Alice Tamburro (Teaching Staff), Filomena Silva (Support Staff)

Members at Large: Bogic Dubak

Regrets: Gina Pereira, Olivia Almeida (Treasurer), Alessandra Patino and Susie Da Silva

Meeting Commenced at: 6:15 p.m.

Opening Prayer:

By Paul Matos

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes:

October 2017 meeting minutes were approved as circulated.

Co-Chair's Report:

Paul:

- CPIC- Safe School Committee Discussed, parent member joined.
- Donations for raffle is still being canvased. No donations have been acquired, donations are still needed.
- Chocolate Fundraiser discussed and prizes reviewed. The fundraiser will be from February 9th – 23rd.
- Snack outdoors is a continued concern from CSPC and families, options discussed. As per our discussion. Implementation will be decided amongst staff.

Gus:

- CSPC Website/App- can be an option; other schools are using it as a form of communication.
- A trial website has been designed. CSPC was in agreement to trial the website.

Treasurer's Report:

- Waiting for TCDSB to release last year's funds, see attached report
- Bake Sale revenue \$902
- Funds for Scientist of the School and the Teacher Supply Reimbursement to be removed from the CSPC account, the amount to be estimated and reported back on our next scheduled meeting.

OAPCE Report:

- Nothing to report.
- December 6th is the next scheduled meeting

Principal's Report:

- Parent Teacher Conferences discussed, parents were supportive of the 2 evenings vs 1 evening and morning.
- Report Cards and Interview
- WE Initiatives; \$1075.00 raised
- Mural and school painting; the school is looking amazing!
- SLIP and SLIP Day (School Learning Improvement Plan) reviewed
- Student Dance Workshops discussed
- Students will be having a Christmas Dance
- Pictures with Santa will be on December 7th cost will be \$5 per photo
- Poppy Collection, school raised \$465
- Swim to Survive Gr. 4; went well, students enjoyed this experience
- Memorial Mass for Kesete to be held in December
- High School Transition and Big Sister, Puppet Show, November 1st Visit, Dance Show.
- Toy Drive will run from November 27-30, 2017
- Scientists in the school programming going well, students enjoying the curriculum.
- School Mass will be held on December 8, 1 p.m.
- Letters soliciting donations – should be specific on what funds will be used for, a return number or contact person should be on the letter
- A full-time ESL teacher has been approved, this will support our student community.
- School Yard – On December 5th Colleen will be meeting with a representative from Evergreen to discuss possible enhancements that can be done in our school yard. The following are website of suppliers that are approved by the TCDSB: www.apeplayground.com and www.ontarioplayground.com

Announcements/New Business:

- CSPC Voting member Sharon Vieira has resigned
- Parent Suggestion:
 - CSPC should have a fundraiser with donate used costumes, other families can utilize them for a small donation. Storage and hygiene were expressed as a concern
 - Graduation for FDK discussed, parents would like to have a graduation celebration, the emphasis is on the celebration of completion of FDK not graduating. Photography option was discussed.
 - CSPC requesting that school seek us for more funds to enhance environment. Air conditioners throughout the school discussed as a need and fundraised funds should be utilized.

- Arts-ball room dancing was expressed as an interest for our students, Colleen will look into a possible program.

Next Meeting:

November 22nd 6:15pm

Adjournment:

8:45