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Catholic School Advisory Council**

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September 21, 2016 AGM Meeting Minutes

End of year Catholic School Parent Council 2014/15 Meeting - Preceding Elections

CSPC Meeting Attendees:

Executive: Paul Matos (Chair), Cindy Matos (Secretary), Olivia Almeida (Treasurer)

Voting Members: Lina Gikas (OAPC Rep), Silvia Mendonca, Gina Pereira

Members at large: Gus Gikas, Monica Andrade

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

Regrets: Nancy Teves (Voting member),

Meeting Commenced at: 6:30 pm.

Opening Prayer:

By Paul Matos

Meeting Minutes Approval:

The minutes of June 15, 2016 were approved as circulated.

Chair:

- CSPC By-Laws ratified
- CSPC 2016 Annual Report, reviewed
- CSPC 2016 Annual Financial Report, reviewed

CSPC Elections 2016

CSPC Elected Members:

- Paul Matos, Chair, re-elected
- Olivia Almeida, Treasurer, re-elected
- Cindy Matos, Secretary, re-elected
- Lina Gikas, OAPC Rep re-elected
- Gina Perreira, Returning voting member
- Silvia Mendonca, Returning voting member
- Gus Gikas, New Voting member
- Monica Andrade, New Voting member

Catholic School Parent Council 2016/17 First Meeting – Post Elections

CSPC Meeting Attendees:

Executive: Paul Matos (Chair), Olivia Almeida (Treasurer), Cindy Matos (Secretary),

Voting Members: Gina Pereira, Silvia Mendonca, Olivia Almeida, Lina Gikas, Gus Gikas, and Monica Andrade

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

Chair's Report:

- Establish a wish list for upcoming year, ideas mentioned listed below:
- Math night ...Lego night
- iPads for classrooms
- Crunch and Munch, a healthy eating incentive for this year, school is applying for the grant
- Handouts in Portuguese about the importance of homework, a good night's rest and healthy eating
- Handout on Head Lice in Portuguese
- Fundraising ideas...photos with Santa, movie night, Oliver's label, chocolates and cookie dough.
- Mascot: an idea mentioned was a teddy bear, the Mascot possibly designed by the students, maybe a contest? .
- Scientists in the schools
- Artists in the school
- E-copies of all school communication an option for families versus paper(Paperless Communication)
- Communication sent home translated to reflect the school community
- Continued with field trip enhancement for students
- Family Carnival
- Classroom enhancement
- Teacher Appreciation dinner to take place on Parent Teacher Interview night November the 17th
- Parish Engagement, Invitation for Father to attend our CSPC meeting
- Parent support/resources on how to help their child with homework.

Principals Report:

- Curriculum Night Wednesday Sept. 28, 2016; evening to commence with an assembly and then a curriculum review, by teachers in their classrooms.
- An additional EA on staff to support students with developmental needs.
- Revamp the parking lot
- Revisit the mulch situation on the playground and find an alternative surface
- Ryerson University student and co-op student being interviewed for appropriate placement, in order to further support the needs of SMA students.

- Special Education teacher has been allotted full time hours for this year
- After school program doing well, full enrollment and doing well. Waiting list established.
- Chair to be part of the Safe School Committee along with school staff.
- Clearing the entrance at dismissal near the Grade 1 & 2 doors for it's causing too much traffic congestion.

New Business:

- Last year's Family Carnival was a success. The Parent Council wants to keep it as an annual event. Saturday June 3, 2017 was the established.

Subsequent CSPC Meeting Dates for 2016/2017 School Year:

- October 19, 2016
- November 23, 2016
- January 25, 2017
- February 22, 2017
- April 19, 2017
- May 17, 2017
- June 14, 2017

Next Meeting:

October 19, 2016 at 6:15 p.m. in the school's library.

Adjournment

8:15 p.m.