

CSPC Meeting Minutes - October [final]

Date: Wednesday October 17th, 2018

Time: 7pm-9pm

Location: St. Gregory School Staff Room

Meeting Attendees:

CSPC Members: Marj Bridger, Christina Sachanowicz, Diana Morrone, Jessica Ferrari, Alma Artenian, Julie D'Aprile, Vanessa Thomas, Mert Guler, Jennifer Pyz, Maria Skinner, Antonietta Vetro, Monicka Boszormenyiova, Lori Tenuta, Joe Pannozzo, Barb Muron, John Vennare

Other Attendees: Kelly Chong, Mary-Catherine Telemaque, Jessie Ward, Marisa , Lucy, April Candiotta Lim, Katrina Gabriel, Tina Hall, Elsa Berardi

CSPC Member Regrets: Lisa Tarasca, Susan Rowilson, Phil Vokins, Melissa Lachhman

Meeting called by Co-Chair Marj Bridger

Opening Prayer led by Principal Joe Pannozzo

Chairs Report led by Marj Bridger & Christina Sachanowicz

- Marj and Christina are looking at STEM programs - currently reviewing quotes \$5500-\$7000 for 1/2 day in each class - stay tuned for more to come.
- Some dates have been chosen for CSPC events: November 30th - Danceathon led by Vanessa, supported by Chris and Marj. November 5th is Danceathon kickoff assembly. A full list of dates will be sent out to CSPC shortly.
- Grant Updates: Metro Green Apple - \$1000, Progrant and PIC grants have been applied for. It was raised that we also need to look at Eco Action grant re: the water fountain initiative. Christina will look into this and report back. If anyone else is

aware of any other grants available, please let CSPC Exec know. (Please Note: following the CSPC meeting, the Board informed Council that Progrant is on hold).

- Parents have raised concerns re: Kinder and Green Yard, recommending things like artificial or rubberized turf, etc. A proposal will be sought which will be presented. Mr. PannoZZo noted that Board has come in to do reseeding, but nothing further is planned by the Board. If there are parents interested in being involved in Subcommittee to look into please let Exec know.

Principals Report - led by Mr. PannoZZo

- Current Enrolment is at 733.
- Many activities underway incl. divisional cross country, and meet tomorrow.
- High School open houses have started - Oct 22nd applications will be given out - have one week to complete.
- October Mass has been cancelled as Fr. Sean is out of town. Next mass will be on November 11th.
- Civies Day is on Friday October 26th- proceeds to go to Angel Foundation.
- Halloween on October 31st - Parade will happen. Further info will be sent out.
- Mr. Vennare's class will be putting together a Haunted House . Activities to be held the day before Halloween, so as not to conflict with other activities.
- Progress reports to go out November 13th. Parent Nights to be held November 14th and 15th from 5:30pm -8pm each evening. November 16th will be a PA Day.

- Christmas Concert - December 13th - for Grades 1, 2 and 3; FDK Christmas Concert will be on December 14th.
- Ski Trip will still be happening. Details to follow.
- There will be a retreat for Grade 8's who had their Confirmation last year - led by Fr. Sean on April 29th.
- It was raised that there is a tree down in the Green Yard. Mr. Pannozzo will look into and address.
- Question was raised re: the Educational Strategy being developed re: recent Cannabis legalization. This is being addressed at the Board level and Mr. Pannozzo will hold off until we hear back from the Director of Education Mr. Rory McGuckin.

Vice Principals Report - led by Mrs. Muron

- School has used 15% of budget so far.
- ME to WE - very active group, currently with Food bank collections under way.

Treasurer's Update

- Some minor changes to be made to Y/E F/S - final will be received in next few weeks.
- Last Year's F/S Package to be forwarded to Carlo for audit in next few days.

2018/2019 Budget

- See Attached Budget Document
- Estimating \$33,700 in Revenue
- Group of parents have raised a concern re: green yards and soccer field, as raised in Chairs report above. Vanessa to lead Subcommittee on this initiative. A third party quote was obtained - for approx. \$100k for green yard/soccer field and approx. \$20k for Kindergarten yard. Vanessa and Jessie will continue to obtain quotes, however this initiative is currently over available budget.
- Expenses were voted on:

★ Curriculum Enhancement:

- SIS - passes
- Teacher Allocation - based on same formula as last year - passes
- Transportation - passes
- Artucate - passes
- Artist in School - was approved in June/18
- FDK Technology Wish List - passes
- Virtue Monthly Awards - passes

★ Literacy & Numeracy:

- RAZ Kids - passes
- Math Night - passes
- Chess Club -passes

★ Catholic Community Building:

- Drama and presentations - passes
- Sacramental Lunch - passes
- Grad Ceremonies - FDK - passes
- Grad Ceremonies - Grade 8 - passes
- Grad Awards - passes
- Brick Awards - passes
- Social and Teacher Appreciation - passes
- Student Financial Assistance - passes
- School Website - Redesign - passes

- School Website - Hosting - passes

- Community Events - passes

★ Health & Safety:

- Swim - passes

- Fitness, Health and Safety - HAT - passes

★ Council Expenses:

- Council expenses - passes

- Paypal Fees - passes

★ Capital Items:

- IT items (Ipads, Printers, Netbooks) - passes

- Phys Ed Equipment (replace/repair) - passes

- Canopy - passes

Additional Items

- Bricks Update: Diana informed that Subcommittee has met and Bricks has kicked off. Communication plan currently being developed. Most likely w/o Jan 7-11 for big

communication, with additional meeting with Grade 8 teachers. Some enhancements to program being explored, including possible change to how submissions may be made by students (i.e. alternatives to essays), as well as communication to grades younger than 7/8's to start introducing and nurturing concepts. Submissions will be due May 24th.

- **Next CSPC meeting is Wednesday November 21st at 7pm in the staff room**

Goodnight and meeting closed by Marj Bridger & Christina Sachanowicz