

**CSPC Meeting – Thursday, December 9, 2021 – 7:00 – 8:15 pm**  
**Zoom Conference Call**

Meeting called by Co-Chairs Vanessa Thomas and Kathy Fenech

**Meeting Attendees:**

Staff Members:

Joe PannoZZo  
Marissa Ginocchi  
Christina Bellissimo

School Community:

Michelle McLaren  
Celia Goncalves  
Daniela DelRosso  
Kathy Fenech  
Kristina Beintner  
Jessica Ferrari  
Vanessa Thomas  
Sara Concordia  
Tina DeMaria  
Diana Morrone  
Jennifer Pyz

**Item 1: Welcome**

- Kathy welcomes everyone

**Item 2: Opening Prayer**

**Item 3: Principal and Vice Principal's Report**

- Health and Safety: 3 COVID cases and 3 classes (grade 4, 5 and 6) on remote learning along with one PM bus, TPH investigating about AM bus
- Parents will be notified as soon as it becomes available to admin
- Reminding parents to complete passport daily and keep kids home if feeling unwell
- Saliva kits are available in the office – come to school and buzz office to bring them out to you
- December: virtue of charity
  - Christmas Project Campaign
    - St Vincent DePaul - \$3700 to date raised
      - Flipgive gift cards for Walmart purchased for these families
    - Food Drive for Daily Food Bank was a huge success! (Thank you to Sara for organizing this)

- Return to school January 3, 2022
- Parish News:
  - Confirmation - December 7, 2021
  - First Reconciliation - December 8, 2021
  - December 15, 2021 - Advent liturgy will be hosted via zoom for all staff and students
  - December 15, 2021 - Santa coming to visit with Markus deDomenico
  - Christmas Spirit Week
    - Monday, December 13 – Dress Down Day
    - Tuesday, December 14 – Christmas Wild Hair Day
    - Wednesday, December 15 – Red & Green Day
    - Thursday, December 16 – Pajama Day
    - Friday, December 17 – Ugly Christmas Sweater/Shirt Day
- Rapid Antigen Testing Kits starting to go out tomorrow and next week; voluntary participation
  - For those absent, parents can pick them up at the school
- No January newsletter
- Rules for people returning from vacation after the break:
  - For unvaccinated students, quarantine is mandatory
  - For vaccinated, please consult the TPH website for information

#### **Item 4: Chair Report**

- Enhancement fee: to date \$15, 215 raised – 30% of families have donated
  - 80% donated the amount that was recommended
  - 20% donated more than the amount that was recommended
  - Will try to target some local businesses to ask for donations
  - Question asked about whether it is possible to collect cash during the last week if people are having issues with school cash online?
    - Mr. Pannozzo said that admin could help out with this during the last week
    - We will email the school community tomorrow with this option
    - Council cannot issue tax receipts for these cash donations
- Thank you to the school community for those who donated
- We would like to recognize the Grella Family who made a significant donation in memory of the late Ada Grella who was a teacher at St. Gregory
- Thank you to Sara for all the social media posts to date! We are receiving positive feedback from parents who feel they are being kept in the loop with what is happening at St. Gregory
- As addressed via email to council on October 28th, 2021, Mr. Pannozzo consulted with Shazia Vlahos (Chief of Communications and Government Relations for the TCDSB) and Bryan Shannon (TCDSB Chief Information Officer). Both confirmed that they were comfortable with the St. Gregory media release permission form sent out in September as they both indicated the Twitter/Instagram fall under “Social Media”.

- As an extra layer moving forward, they suggested a new permission form for September 2022-2023, which is more explicit about student personal information. This will be available for review on the CSPC website.
- As always, it is very important that staff/admin make sure that they have parental approval to post. Otherwise, students need to be excluded from the photo or blurred out.
- Our social media Sub-Committee has only posted from our twitter account that both administrators are in charge of. We urge any parents with questions or concerns to contact us via email or reach out to administration. We would like to thank everyone for their time and input.
- We would ask that all matters be added to the agenda in advance of the meeting to ensure that all stakeholders have time to prepare and understand all issues so we can have a constructive debate and discussion.

### **Item 5: Treasurer's Report**

- Grad apparel: \$3230 paid via credits on the account
- Teacher allocation: several teachers submitted
- HST Rebate:
  - Will be completed by end of January – will know how much we will have at that point
- CRA has 7 years to audit; hold off on spending those funds right away to make sure everything is okay
  - Get back mid 80% of what we submit

### **Item 6: Budget**

- For anything that has been paid for and purchased (reimbursement): If this can wait, we can fund something new at this time
- Swim team: Is there still a chance of running this year?
  - \$1000 is a lot of money
  - We need a staff member present at the meet as well. Given the work to rule, we don't know if this will be an option therefore we will keep this as a tier 2 item for now
- According to Mr. Pannozzo, the greatest need would be IT, FDK, celebrations = \$15, 300 needed!
- Mr. Pannozzo explains that PhysEd and Music can be supplied through the block budget, therefore council will not have to pay for these items through our budget
- Grad (SK and grade 8) and teacher appreciation will be funded
- FM speakers not being funded at this time
- A question was asked about whether FlipGive money is put into the block budget?
  - Wait to withdrawl until we have at least \$100 or so in the accounts
  - Indigo FlipGive got about \$85
  - Regular FlipGive around \$65
  - Please share the links with family and friends!

- Vanessa moves a motion to vote on the highlighted tier 2 items. Kathy seconds that motion. No one opposes! All eleven members have voted yes!
- Can we vote on the unapproved tier 2 items at the next meeting? Sara seconds that!

### **Item 7: Transition Committee**

- Regarding hot lunches and pizza lunches for 2022
- Parent involvement only, no student involvement at this time
- Mr. Pannozzo asks that we wait until end of January to begin talking about this
- We spoke to Adriana at Just Catering for Kids; she will deliver the lunches directly to each individual class. Parents order and pay her directly online. Parent council receives \$0.75 for each meal purchased.
- A question was asked regarding Shrove Tuesday
  - Will Adriana provide pancakes for the kids on that day? Who pays for this? Last year they were donated!
    - We followed up with Adriana after the meeting and she was not sure how she would handle Shrove Tuesday this year, but will let us know closer to the date.
- We also have been exploring options for pizza lunch to try to find an option that involves individually packaged pizza. This will minimize contact and the number of parents needed in the school for distribution.

### **Item 8: Sub Committee Updates**

- Grade 8 Grad: With regards to grad apparel orders, there are delays with supply chain. We will have another update on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully we have them by the first week back in January.
- SK Grad: speak about in the new year
- Community Relations: nothing planned as of yet
- BRICKS: planning to roll out the program in the New Year. We typically roll out in September but this year will be January. Tanya who ran it previously will help to review this and roll it out. Diana also has some power points, etc that could help out and she will forward these to the sub-committee.
- Special Events: interested in still running the sacramental lunch

### **Item 9: Conclusion and Goodnight**

**Next CSPC meeting: January 19 at 7:00 pm**