

CSPC AGM and COUNCIL ELECTIONS
Wednesday, September 21, 2022 – 7:00 – 10:00 pm
St. Gregory Staffroom

Meeting called by out-going co-chairs Vanessa Thomas and Kathy Fenech

Meeting Attendees:

Staff:

Joe Pannozzo
Marissa Ginocchi

School Community:

Vanessa Thomas
Michelle McLaren
Jessica Ferrari
Andria Dametto
Daniela DelRosso
Colleen Spagnolo
Sandy Lascu
Tina DeMaria
Eva Vitkova
Marj Bridger
Susanne Reis
Elsa Berardi
Celia Goncalves
Sara Concordia
Kathy Fenech
Diana Morrone

Item 1: Welcome

- Vanessa opens and welcomes everyone

Item 2: Opening Prayer

Item 3: Trustee Markus deDomenico

- Exciting news in Ward 2:
 - the Board has purchased a secondary school (Scarlett Heights property)
 - there has not been a new building on new land in 5 decades
 - received 24.5 million to build, renovate or expand the building.
 - The Board has also purchased Buttonwood elementary school (Royal York and Eglinton)
 - Currently in the design phase as the old building will be torn down
 - There will be 600 seat school on this site

- 1.5 million will be invested in this building
 - It is unique due to having 3 floors; board is implementing cooling centers;
- Our school has advocated for the superintendent to come and do a study on mould, heat and air quality (please see attached report)
 - There is a roughed in AC; board didn't want to pay for the operating cost at the time
- Celebrating Ukrainian Heritage Month – deeply moved by the pain and suffering these children have gone through; brought 200 students into our system
- Q: Timing on high school opening?
 - Ward 2 is first on the list of the right of refusal. They will make their offer and hope the building can be renovated and expanded. Hopefully can move students into half of the building. If the building is a tear down, many more years are needed. It is located on the bus line and on a beautiful piece of property.
- Q: Will Scarlett heights be used as a temporary site for Bishop Allen?
 - Unsure but this is not something he wants to happen.
- Q: Where would students from Bishop Allen go?
 - They should be going to Don Bosco – built and saved as an overflow school
- There will be a review of boundaries at the time.

Item 4: Church Initiatives Father Sean:

- First coffee Sunday occurred this last week (was on break due to COVID).
- There used to be a team who handled this, but they are beginning to get frail. Previously, Father John had invited groups to take on coffee Sunday. At least 50 people came out. (at least 50% of the people coming to mass). Occurs after the 9 and 11 am masses.
- Asked CSPC if we would like to take on the October 16th weekend
- Q: Are there any COVID restrictions still in place? No – individuals can choose if they want to wear a mask
- Choir at 9 am (junior) and 11 (senior) – Halina is the director of music, perhaps can visit the elementary grades to explain more about choir
 - Q: Can we do an evening to invite the school community? A table at curriculum night? Yes!
 - Q: Will there be a children's liturgy? Ms. Selby was the coordinator but she has retired from that. Two new volunteers are currently be screened. Will start up again eventually.
 - Q: Practice evening? Thursday at 6 pm most likely
 - Q: What grades? Will have two choirs (grade 7+ and then all the younger grades)
- During the season of lent, we pray the stations of the cross every Friday at 7 pm. The church would like to introduce Mary's way of the cross. These will be theatrical stations of the cross with children as actors.
- Regarding Earth Week events: church needs to know the events and can close the gates. For 2023, Father Sean hopes we can connect the church to this.
- Last year we had an art contest, thank you to CSPC for sponsoring this.

- This year the art contest is based on the theme of “the world day of the poor” (November 13, 2022). More details to come
- First Communion forms are available for pick up
- Blessing of the pets will occur on October 1st

Item 5: Chair Report

- Spirit wear deadline October 14th
- Pizza begins on October 6, alternating with subway the week after
- Just for Kids will begin on October 12, three days a week this year
- Playground Revitalization: we were given \$31,000 from the Board
- Books donated to the school on behalf of Jennifer Pyz for all of her hard work over the years
- HVAC: in June, we requested an air quality and mould assessment be done, ended up being done in August (please see attached report)
 - There will be a committee set up to deal with these issues

Item 6: Principal and Vice Principal’s Report

- This is Mr. Pannozzo’s 9th year as principal of St. Gregory. Feel free to email or call at any time
- There are 718 students registered this year
- Reorganization will occur on Monday, October 3
 - Grades 4 – 8 is where the issue is (31 straight classes; 29 split classes)
 - We are gaining one teacher this year
- Bus Transportation: two bus routes that do not have a bus driver so two buses do two routes. Mr. Pannozzo and Ms. Ginocchi supervise these students as they wait for their buses until 3:30pm.
- This is Ms. Ginocchi’s 2nd year as vice principal at St. Gregory
- On September 6 which was. PA day for students; the big focus with staff was on mental health and bullying (link in the parent newsletter)
- Upcoming events
 - Terry Fox Run on September 22, 2022
 - Day for Truth and Reconciliation
 - Presentations on Tuesday (September 28) and Wednesday (September 29). There will be various activities and presentations for students, such as whole group storytelling for the younger grades and the older grades will play Indigenous games.
 - Friday: orange shirt day
 - Parish News:
 - Registration for communion has opened up. Confirmation is next!
 - Parent Resource Library, which was funded by the ProGrant will be available to parents on September 26.
 - CSPC has also booked Paul Davis (who will present to students and parents on social media and internet safety) on December 6.

Item 7: Treasurer's Report

- Enhancement: \$16,055
- HST Rebate: \$10, 737.72
- BRICKS: slightly overbudget due to increased cost to make the awards, more winners this year
- \$14, 594.00 surplus (aim is to use is all except for \$3000)
- Thank you, Jessica, for all of your hard work over the years!

Item 8: Annual Financial Review

- Please see attachment provided by Tina Ferrone

Item 9: Closure 2021/2022 Council

- Vanessa moves the closure of the 2021/2022 council

Item 10: 2022/2023 Election:

- See PowerPoint from Jennifer Pysz

2022/2023 Parent Council

- Vanessa Thomas
- Michelle McLaren
- Sandy Lascu
- Rosemary Chiappetta
- Kathy Fenech
- Sara Concordia
- Andria Dametto
- Diana Morrone
- Celia Goncalves
- Tina DeMaria
- Susanne Reis

Executive Council

- Vanessa Thomas – Co-Chair
- Michelle McLaren – Co-Chair
- Sandy Lascu – Treasurer
- Rosemary Chiappetta – Secretary

Item 11: Subcommittee Assignments:

- Special Education Representative: **Tina DeMaria and Diana Morrone**
- SK Grad: **Daniela DelRosso and Marj Bridger**
- Grade 8 Grad: **TBD**
- Budget: **Celia Goncalves**
- Community Events: **Andria Dametto, Tina DeMaria and Marj Bridger**
- Special Events: **Bridger and Kathy Fenech**
- Fundraising: **Sara Concordia and Kathy Fenech**
- BRICKS: **Sara Concordia and Daniela DelRosso**

- Health and Action: **Susanne Reis**
- Social Media: **Sara Concordia**
- HVAC/Air Quality: **Sara Concordia, Diana Morrone and Sandy Lascu**
- Playground Revitalization: **Vanessa Thomas**
- Website: **Sandy Lascu**
- SWIM: Holy Angels was supposed to run the last swim meet; Jennifer Pyz to find out more information
- ARTUCATE: we will reach out to Mr. Vennare
- OAPCE: **Vanessa Thomas**

Fundraising: September 28 at 6:00 pm

Budget: October 12 at 7:00 pm

Next Meeting: October 19 at 7:00 pm