

CSPC Meeting Minutes - Wednesday December 9, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

Location: St. Gregory Music Room

Attendees: PannoZZo, J (Principal), Pires A (Vice Principal), Grnak A (Co-chair), Vokins P (Co-chair), Falcone D (Secretary), Morrone D (Treasurer), Goncalves C, Vaccarelli V, Dametto A, Pyz J, Belton S, Fanelli L, D'Aprile J, Tenuta L, Salmond J.

Andria has proxy for Daniela B.

Dori has proxy for Marjorie B.

Vito has proxy for Maria S.

Fourth meeting of school year

Mr. PannoZZo - prayer

1. Co-Chairs Report - Adam G. -

CSPC meeting minutes from Nov. 18/15 have now been approved and will be posted on the website.

First community event; Movie Night was a success. A few hundred attended. CSPC sold popcorn and water.

Math night - aiming for Jan. 21/16. Our school was awarded \$1000 grant from the province. Details of how the night will run to follow.

Next sub committee meeting Jan 6/16

Next CSPC meeting Jan 20/16

Follow up events: Shrove Tuesday planned for Feb. 9/15, Parent Interviews Feb 12/16, Family Fun skate weekend of Feb 14 or 15 at MasterCard, Teacher Luncheon March 23, dancethon March 10th, family bingo night April 14, Artucate May 12, Scramental luncheon June 3, BBQ fun night June 9th.

2. Principal's Report: Joe PannoZZo - currently 65 spots open for JK.

Parents can access the school monthly newsletter via school and board website. Our school has several charitable events going on:

- a. The annual sweet read: JK to grade 3's donate a book and chocolate treat to the Catholic Children's Aid Society

- b. Christmas baskets donated to St. Vincent de Paul by the junior and senior students. This will provide for 14 needy families in our community.
- c. Our dress down day raised \$850.00 for Kids help line support.
- d. Jingle Foodraiser in support with Second Harvest food rescue still underway.

Mr. PannoZZo would like to add an area of focus on math in the school newsletter - articles, holiday math, etc... The newsletter also highlights students who have excelled at meeting specific learning goals for the month.

EQAO results - see attachment for school results. Results are also available on the EQAO web site. Overall we achieved higher results than the provincial standards but our senior students are struggling in math. Several CSpC members voiced concerns and approval for senior rotary. Preference to have a math specialist teacher teaching the subject. Parents think this will positively affect and improve overall math skills for the test and high school math.

Admin response does not support rotary for several reasons, specifically because of the logistics behind the planning of this program. They noted rotary does not always work and to keep in mind that the EQAO test is only one method of assessing math skills. Principal offered to have board specialist to support teacher(s)/classroom(s).

Idea to run a "math" club in the school - by January 2016, math trivia, math games, math help, links to send home.

January - hoping to assess via survey, grades k-8 feelings and attitudes about math as a first step in opening the discussion with students about how they feel about learning this subject.

Current extra curricular in the school - house league sports, co-ed ice hockey team tournament next week Dec. 14th at OLS (grades 6-8), grade 8 band working on Christmas concert with grade 1-3. Kindergarten kids presenting concert on Wed. Dec 16/15. Confessions will take place at the church on Dec 15/15 for grades 3 and 8.

The entire school is set to be wireless by middle of Jan 2016.

Ms. Pires- School improvement team - working on a 4 part problem solving strategy. Working in small groups of instruction, using manipulatives, improving attitude on learning re: how students think about math (both staff and students), have added math centres in classrooms and teachers are exchanging information with other schools.

To date admin has spent 45% of school budget. Revised social studies curriculum, purchased resource “many gifts” for grade 1,5 and 6. Money spent on technology : 10 lap tops, cords adaptors. New equipment has been sent to the board to be set up. Library has the carts and lap top notebooks. For a complete list of the school’s technology inventory please see attached document.

3. Treasurer’s Report - Diana M. CSPC interim financial statements (un-audited) see attachment.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

- a. Sheri B. -Jingle Foodraiser fundraising update - set up sample tables at swim practice and movie night. Not sure exact count of orders as of yet. Other schools do email and phone blasts which helps to get the parent community involved. Campaign ends this Friday Dec. 11th. Orders will be delivered to the school next week.
- b. Lori T.- re: Artucate. Admin decided we would run the event again evening of Thursday May 12/16. Sub-committee will start getting the information out come January. Every student who would like to create any form of art can create a picture artwork and parents bid on it - auction style.
- c. Vito V. - Re: CPR certification course for teachers -Marjorie B. has a contact who can run a 3 hour course standard cpr/first aid/choking at 40\$/person. Our CSPC budget allows 15 teachers to participate. Admin currently has a list of 10 teachers interested. Vito to pass the contact info of instructor to Mr. Pannozzo.
- d. Vito V - Technology- complete technology inventory attached to this document. Once all new orders /purchases from this school year budget arrive he will update the inventory list. \$12,500 budgeted to IT this 2015-16 school year.
- e. Vito V- 19 Glen Agar issue - residents association formed to protest new build of 145 townhomes in the community which will affect our school population. A letter will be sent out to Stephen Holiday and to the planner of the city requesting they stop the development. CSPC members will sign the letter in support of residents association.
- f. Dina M -had to step back from the position of HAT. Currently the position is open. It carries a \$2000 budget for wellness days, big crunch and fun food Fridays. If anyone knows of someone who would like to run this position/program please speak to Adam G.

5. Pastoral Council - Domenic R. - Coffee Sunday Jan.17/16. School band and children’s choir to perform. Communion and confirmation information night at the Church Wed. Dec. 16 6:30 p.m.

6. Other - Mr. Cooper (p.e. teacher) requested if we could buy new sports jerseys for all the teams to use when they participate outside of the school at various games, races and tournaments. The cost is \$28 each x40units in the amount of \$1300.00 expenditure. Adam will send us the quote so we can vote on this purchase and find where this could fit into the CSPC budget.

7. MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!!!