

CSPC Meeting Minutes - Wednesday November 18, 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), Bridger M (Vice-Chair), Falcone D (Secretary), Morrone D (Treasurer), Goncalves C, Vaccarelli V, Dametto A, Skinner M, Filippozzi E, Pyz J, Romano J, Hault N, Rowlison S, Mardegan S, Ruso D, Vokins P.

Third meeting of school year

Mr. Panozzo - prayer

1. Housekeeping - sub committees meeting dates. See web site for posted dates.

2. Adam G. would like to thank Tanya G for getting the bricks plaques ordered and put up on the school walls.

3. Principal's/Vice Principals Report:
 - a. Current school enrollment is 690.
 - b. Construction in church parking lot for 6 weeks. Parents need to be cautious when dropping off and picking up children.
 - c. School co-ed hockey team gr.6-8 about to start. Several other sports have been up and running.
 - d. Re: Heath and safety - school had 3 fire drills and a lock down practice. Will have another lockdown practice in March.
 - e. Successful Halloween parade around school grounds.
 - f. Gr 8's have handed in high school applications.
 - g. Progress reports went out.
 - h. Book fair ran during week of parent interviews.
 - i. First term report cards and parent teacher interviews coming in February 2016.
 - j. EQAO results came out today. More discussion next meeting re: specifics. Note there is some concern around junior math. Planning to have teachers meet

with other schools to share best practices to work on improving skills. Principal and VP will prepare a report regarding EQAO results with a plan of action.

- k. Parent / community engagement with schools document from ministry of education handed out.
 - l. It was discussed that any information on sports teams should be sent to web site for posting.
 - m. In recognition of remembrance day students attended mass and shared moment of silence over PA.
 - n. School budget opened with \$53,088, spent 25% so far. Spent in kindergarten area, extended French supplies and replaced damaged math text books.
 - o. Bully awareness week - Mr. Vennare presenting various initiatives to raise awareness. Classes working on posters with sentiments on bullying .
 - p. QSP fundraiser presented BMX show at school .
 - q. Christmas concert grades 1-3 Monday Dec 14th in the evening.
4. Treasurer's report - accounts still open from 2014 because we are still unsure how to allocate 'Canada Helps' funds of \$4469.89. \$3425.00 raised from cycle Yonge. Leaves a balance of \$1044.18. We are unsure as to where these extra funds came from.
- In the absence of clarity of source of (event) funds CSPC has decided to allocate the 'extra' funds to the dance- athon fundraiser, where they can then be allocated to any 2016 budget item.

Diana M - will do banking catch up next month. The treasurer report will cover Sept-Dec 2015 and then monthly thereafter. Diana needs to get access card for read only rights for account balance so we can discuss at meeting . Cheques that have gone out - purchase of p.e. equipment, swim team support of \$1500, 1 teacher reimbursement, pizza nova, Mr. Dairy, signage and books for extended French.

5. Sub committee reports - Andria D - 553 students enrolled in pizza lunch fundraiser. CSPC will clear \$17,000 once pizza and supplies have been covered. QSP - final sales are just under \$40,000. Once prizes are paid this fundraiser will clear \$10,000. She noted that it was a bit more difficult to get the older classes to meet the 70% mark. Intermediate classes had significantly less participation.

Adam G -Community building event: we do not charge. Tuesday Dec 8/15 Mr. Pannozzo gave us a permit for the gymnasium. We would like to have movie night and sell water and

popcorn. Motion passed. Movie recommendation → “Inside Out”. Request to start the night at 6pm to accommodate younger students bedtimes.

Will promote the event with posters around the school and send forms home. Note home to tell parents sharp start of 6:20 pm. No sign up required.

Fundraising -Christmas food drive idea. Sheri B company U-Be-Livin-Smart has developed a program called the ‘first annual jingle fundraiser’. A case of treats (muffins to gummy pocket treats) costs \$40. Eight packages per case. Fifteen dollars from every case sold comes back to school. Balance goes back to second harvest in same food product. This is a buy one feed one program in partnership with second harvest. Our school gets 38% kick back.

CSPC comments: majority supported the idea. Make cases with 1 item of every product in catalogue vs. having to purchase 8 of the same item in one case. Promote the fundraiser with samples of food product at parent attendance event. Offer samples to parents and students (only as long as parents are present so as to not put any child with an allergy at risk).

Majority of CSPC members agreed the funds raised from this event will go directly to IT for the school.

2- opposed to funds going to IT.

Students will attend a SHORT school assembly (15 min) to watch video on what Second Harvest does and how the fundraiser works.

3 abstentions - to not having the fundraiser.

Pastoral Council - Domenic R. - meet on a monthly basis. Coffee Sunday get together which CSPC sponsors. He suggested that we sponsor one on January 17, 2016. We are committed to sponsor this date. CSPC will pay approximately \$200 for baked goods and coffee to be shared in the church basement. Students attend and play band instruments or sing choir. Parishioners are welcome to attend after mass.

Domenic mentioned the pastoral council is interested in joining CSPC in running an event. We would keep all funds raised.

Father John is running the classes for communion and confirmation.

Major construction in church, new radiators and new roof.

6. Vito V - IT notes:

- a. 1st item - IT issue of what is currently being purchased for the school. Report to follow. Mr. Pannoza reported \$10,000.00 being spent. Specific items to be advised next meeting.
- b. 2nd issue IT fatigue - need a room by room inventory of what it is that we need and what currently exists.

- c. Sub committee meeting on IT in January
 - d. Currently no wifi in certain parts of school. We are on wait list with the board to have this issue rectified.
7. Other notes: Vito V. Presented concern regarding the Glen Agar building development. Developer has put in a proposal to build 116 town house units. An impact assessment on our school has stated that we will be affected with increased enrolment. Possible to end up with portables at our school. Traffic, parking, streets were flooded several times last spring, busier intersection. We are the closest school to this development. Idea to change boundaries to school access. Development at Rathburn and Glen Agar.

Options - Etobicoke council will make final decision. Density too high. Development is going to happen issue is density as that will affect our school.

Steven Holiday can be contacted directly and parents can call him with concerns. Let people know what is going on. We should raise awareness of this issue because it can affect all of us.

Vito will draft a letter for parents to sign to send to the city. The board study does show the impact on the school. We will also post notice on our web site.