



ST. JOHN CSPC MEETING - MINUTES

February 1, 2022 | Meeting called to order by Principal Ann De Agazio

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In Attendance

CSPC Members: Nadia Niccoli & Anthony Reyes, Co-Chair | Claire O'Shea, Treasurer | Gajendran Sathanathan, Secretary | Sonia Pagliarello, Tanya Bismayer, Beth Mielniczuk & Tom Horn, Fundraising | Terry Ann Isaac, Cathy Blewett, Diversity & Inclusion | Barry Chatterton, Parish Rep | Marianne Internicola, OAPCE Rep

Regrets: Robyn King, Tara Wiseman, Melanie Battaglia
Faculty / Admin: Ms. Horbay, Ms. Hatch-Ennis, Ms. DeAgazio

Approval of Minutes, Outstanding Updates, Old Business

Nadia Niccoli proposed that the minutes from the December 7, 2021 St. John CSPC Meeting be approved and the motion was seconded by Marianne Internicola. Motion was passed.

No old business presented. Special thanks to Beth Mielniczuk for the creation and implementation of the new proposal forms. The form is available on the CSPC website and was also sent out to the CSPC.

Principal's Report

Staff Update:

Ms. Mendez, the school secretary has returned to work from her leave of absence. Ms. Reford (SK/Grade 1), has taken a leave of absence for an undisclosed period of time. Fortunately, Ms. Nelsenik will be teaching Ms. Reford's class in her absence.

Enrollment

On January 19th, 2022, enrollment for students in Junior Kindergarten was opened for September 2022. To date, St. John's has received approximately 30 Kindergarten applications which fell from 40 Kindergarten applications from the same period in the previous year. Efforts have been made to bolster enrollment via the various school social media platforms, the January Newsletter, and a paid advertisement in the Beach Metro which was posted February 22, 2022.

Staffing Needs:

No current needs identified.

Morning Protocols / Testing

The students and staff have continued to adhere to the safety guidelines which includes continued use of masks, maintaining physical distance, staying within their own cohorts and frequently sanitizing and/or washing their hands throughout the day. Furthermore, parents are returning to the routine of signing the Covid-19 passports, keeping their children home if they are exhibiting any symptoms and proper testing.

Students were provided a Rapid Antigen Screening Kit in the week of January 24, 2022 which included two tests along with instructions on proper usage. Additional tests will be provided to schools on a bi-weekly basis. Oral Swab Tests will



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continue to be made available to students and staff that are symptomatic and Michael Garron Hospital will continue to receive said tests.

During the Christmas break, we received confirmation of one positive Covid-19 case, and the person did not return to school after the Christmas break. As well, on January 31, 2022 a notification letter was sent via the School Messenger service to the relevant classes that we had two positive Covid-19 cases in one family.

It should be noted that student absences are reported daily to the Ministry of Education and tracked by the school board. If the student absences reach 30% in a given day, a discussion a school closure will take place. Fortunately, based on Covid-19 Vaccination Data for the City of Toronto, approximately 80% of residents five years and older, in the Beaches Area have received at least 2 vaccination doses.

Budgetary

The current budget allows for a Block of \$12,654 and Ghost/P Card of \$6,366 which totals to \$19,020.

Ontario Active School Travel & Traffic Safety Program

On Friday January 21, 2022 a meeting on the Ontario Active School Travel group took place where the Green Community representative Ms. Niroonand shared the results of her school site visit in December, her observations of traffic flow and the survey data that was collected and tabulated in December. On Wednesday, February 16, the Ontario Active School Travel group will reconvene to undertake a neighbourhood site visit to observe areas of most concern. Subsequent meetings will be scheduled to determine an Action Plan on how best to address these concerns for the next 3 years.

Diversity & Inclusion Initiatives

Ms. DeAgazio continues to be supportive of the proposed initiatives. Furthermore, the following initiatives have started:

- Kiaunna Bennett from TAIBU Community Health Centre will be running a two-part virtual anti-bullying workshop for the junior and intermediate students.
 - Part One took place on January 24, 2022 for the Grade 7, Grade 7/8 and Grade 8 classes
 - Part One took place on February 1, 2022 for the Grade 5/6 and the Grade 6/7 classes
 - Dates for Part Two has not been released
- Aubrey Horonha will be running a workshop called "*Colour Blind? The Heart of the Matter*" for parents on February 8, 2022. A similar workshop has been rescheduled for March 4, 2022.

Safe School Committee

Ms. DeAgazio met with two members of the Safe School Committee, Tara Wiseman and Beth Mielniczuk, and three ideas were suggested for implementation:

- Create a designated Safe School Committee page to be placed in the monthly newsletter to update parents on school initiatives as it relates to anti-bullying.
- Allocate a designated bulletin board to the Safe School Committee to promote awareness. The focus would be to extend the "Be Kind" theme initiative of Anti-Bullying Week which took place in October. It would incorporate the virtue of the month and encourage more student engagement. Further information will be available shortly.
- Educate students around internet/phone safety.



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Finance / Budget Update

The opening budget effective December 5th 2021 was \$15,433.80. The revenue streams for the period ending February 1, 2022 totalled \$3,992.23 which includes the In-School Performances from a previous period in the amount of \$55.25, the first Pizza Lunch in the amount of \$1,769.00, the first St. John Spirit Wear in the amount of \$1,394.68 and lastly a bi-annual tax refund of \$773.30. The expenditures for the period ending February 1, 2022 totalled \$2,996.86 which includes Classroom Materials in the amount of \$738.34, DEI 2019 in the amount of \$131.61, the deposit for the Parents' Night Out event in the amount of \$600.00 and the first Pizza Lunch in the amount of \$1,526.91. This resulted in a reconciled ledger balance effective February 1, 2022 of \$16,429.17 which consists of approximately \$4,113.80 in unused swim team funds and CSPC funds of \$12,316.08.

Based on the current initiatives and planned events, the projected revenue for the 2021/2022 year is \$19,104.72, proposed expenditures for the 2021/2022 year \$26,556.66, with a \$5,000 float value. While there is a projected deficit of -\$581.86, it is important to note that it is unlikely that all expenditures will occur.

Committee Reports

The Spirit Wear campaign successfully raised \$1,394.68 in its first round of sales. This amount consisted of the sales of two items, 127 t-shirts and 92 hoodies, and was run for a short period. It is projected that the second Spirit Wear campaign will run between March 28, 2022 to April 15, 2022 with a forecasted revenue of approximately \$1,500, with an anticipated delivery date of May 16, 2022. The second Spirit Wear campaign will consist of the following six items:

- Navy Blue T-Shirt \$20.00
- Navy Blue Hoodie \$40.00
- Navy Blue Shorts \$28.00
- Navy Blue Track Pants \$32.00
- White T-Shirt \$22.00
- Embroidered Baseball Cap \$20.00

The Parent Night Out event was originally scheduled for February 2022, however due to health regulations and occupancy limitations it was shifted Saturday March 26, 2022. Unfortunately, due to current events, the Parent Night Out event has been moved once again to Friday May 13, 2022 at The Balmy Beach Club (360 Lake Front, Toronto, ON M4E 1A7.) The Balmy Beach Club does have a full vaccination policy in effect.

The Legacy Fund initiative has started to move forward beyond the preliminary stages of development. The Legacy Fund initiative centres around the graduating Grade 8 class raising funds to support one of three proposed initiatives. The proposed initiatives will be chosen with the assistance of staff, parents and students and will ultimately be voted on by the graduating students. It is estimated that if every graduating student raises \$25, a fund of approximately \$1,400 will be available for the chosen initiative. Fundraising for this initiative will commence near the end of the 2021/2022 school year.



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Parish Information

The first Holy Communion registration is currently active and will continue until February 15, 2022. First Holy Communion will be held on March 5, 2022 and March 8, 2022. Registration is available through the St. John's Parish website, <https://stjohnsto.archtoronto.org/en/>

Faculty / Administration

The faculty / administration has requested approximately a thirty-minute block of time during the next CSPC meeting in April to speak about Special Education and support for the parents. A Google Form will be sent to the parent committee to generate questions in relation to the Special Education.

Work to Rule Information / Trustee Update

Traditionally the main issues under negotiations are not discussed outside of said negotiations, however the board has chosen to release two of the issues under review, teacher absenteeism and staffing. No monetary issues are under negotiation and there is a status quo on non-financial issues.

Angela Kennedy, Toronto Catholic School Trustee - Ward 11 East York/Toronto, joined the CSPC Meeting and reported that negotiations appear to be optimistic. Currently, the union is eager to reach a resolution to the contract negotiations and meetings are ongoing. The board has brought in an external negotiator to represent their interests.

Next Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Nadia Niccoli at approximately 8:30pm.

- April Meeting – Tuesday April 5, 2022
- June Meeting – Tuesday June 14, 2022