

## CSC Meeting Minutes for October 11, 2023

### **PLEASE REVIEW**

#### **Attendance:**

Principal- Tensy Kalaparambath (TK)

Teacher Representative: Debra Calabretta

Parent: Melissa Requiell

Parent: Michelle De Couto

Parent: Lariza Quintana Silva

- Welcoming prayer and Land Recognition
- Presentation of agenda and CSC By-Laws

-discussed how transactions are processed for the school

-treasurer is responsible of verifying money

-at the beginning of each meeting, minutes (agenda, notes, account) from the previous meeting need to be reviewed and approved by the CSC

-teacher representative is a voting member plus the council members

-agreed that 6:00 pm on Wednesday is a good time and day for the committee to meet

-there will be four meetings for 2023-2024 and communication will ongoing and through email

-Parish representative is needed for communion/confirmation dates, sharing with the parish what is happening in the school

-cash can be accepted for small donations, such as popcorn/cookie sales, all other monies are to go through School Cash Online

-office can send an email blitz for all families who are not enrolled in School Cash Online

-TK will send email reminders and countdowns for fundraisers to excite students and inform community

-fundraiser prizes, make them "condo" friendly, not all families have a backyard for outdoor equipment

-church communication- review online church bulletins

-OAPCE rep- to attend event to view all vendors that schools can use as fundraising opportunities, held on a Saturday, all of ON Catholic School Council is invited

### **Meeting 2023-2024 Official start**

-TK to report events happening at the school

-DC to record and send TK minutes of this meeting

-new staff members: Ann Colallilo, LTO Gr 1/2

E. Ardiente, PT/Spec. Ed.,

D. Edgecomb PT, Spec. Ed.,

N. Ferrari, LTO PT, PE, Health, Music, Media

S. Casale, permanent Grade 3/4

-student enrollment was 280 August 2023, and currently 330

-TK- St. Giovanni will grow again, 8 new buildings to grow, enrollment will be up on the next 5 years

-Sept 27/23- School Open House

-Sept 28/23, Opening School Mass

-Virtue Assemblies began and certificates are being handed out, one per class, one per grade for a split grade class

-Terry Fox Walkathon, Sept 22/23 generated \$1305 for cancer research

-Orange Shirt Day- Sept 29/23

-Saidat Show Oct. 10, 2023 - message of inclusivity, kindness and respect

-TK would like to offer spirit wear for the school, using board approved vendors (hoodies with school logo, pink shirts for anti-bullying and orange shirts), spirit wear does not generate a lot of funds for the school, will also look into patches to put on clothes, backpacks, etc.

-Thanksgiving food drive was supported by the school community

-CYW, Milena Chita- Wellness Wednesday Committee for grades 7 and 8, whole school wellness announcements happen right after lunch

-TK sourcing companies for wall murals for the school, updating gym mats with new school logo

-new math and literacy resources for Junior classes

-TK- introducing Fun Friday music in a.m. for students to dance into, Friday Funnies- student submit jokes for the principal to read to the school, Friday p.m.

-four SMART boards have been ordered for primary classes

-soft entry started

-upcoming events: XWorld (equity) Nov 13-17, 2023, during Anti-Bullying week, Nov. 16/23 parent night, same evening as parent/guardian/teacher interviews

-Paul Davies-workshops talking to parents about online responsibility, May 8/24, Cath. Ed. Week (gr. 4-8)

-TK's message to students- using school technology, everything can be traced by the school board, be responsible online

-2 fire drills this year, 1 more to go,

-2 lockdown drills per year

-Reading programs being used- Lexia, Nelson, Empower, Corrective Reading

-Extra Curricular- Terey Fox, Food Drive, Choir singing at Miss. Steelheads Game Oct 28/23, Wellness Group, Eco Schools, Lego Club, Games Club, Knitting Club, Jr/Inter Volleyball, Cross Country, PALS

-Oct 19/23 at St Francis Xavier-ME CSC meeting, principal and CSC chair, lite dinner

-TK- parent weekly updates

-CSC 2023/2024 [meeting dates](#) 6:00 p.m.: November 8, 2023, February 7, 2024, April 10, 2024

-school fundraiser, Big Box cards

-Michelle to inquire with the company about timeline for ordering and receiving boxes before Christmas

-fundraising dates November 3, 2023- November 17, 2023 (2 weeks to sell)

-boxes to be handed out the last week of November in time for the holiday mailing season

-\$35 per box, \$11 profit for school

-TK will send fundraising information email to school community

-donations for prizes from Classic Bowl, Planet Bowl

-prizes- how will they be earned by students

-school to have a kick-off assembly, video to show classes about Big Box

-May 2024-Jungle Sport in the gym, each class two times per week, parent evening with Family BBQ

- Halloween Dance- decorations donated by a family within school community, music provided by TK

-post Halloween candy drive for Children's Fund of Canada with Dr. Simone

-students can bring in candy to donate, candy donations go all over the world

**-Meeting Adjourned**