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Minutes of Iona Catholic Secondary School Council meeting
 Monday September 24, 2018 at 7:00pm
 Library

In Attendance: Siena Perrotta, Julie Kowalski, Dilma Dulin, Joan Lanza-Santos, Betty Chong, Chantel Kowdrysh, Suzanne Pinto, Mary Dolban, Yvonne Jakob, Debbie Foss

School Administrators: Carl Cini, Sharon Hobin

1. Opening Prayer
2. Welcome and Introduction
3. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda

- All in favor

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED

CARRIED

4. Review and Approval of Minutes from June 2018

- All in favor

Discussion

- Parent Initiative Grant for Mental Health was given last year
- Given the rights to show the film "Scream-angers" but due to timing the screening has not yet taken place
- Possibility of combining Council meeting in conjunction with the screening
- Talks around Cannabis use for this year's Parent initiative Grant was discussed

Action Items

Decision on the best time to screen
 Decide on possible topics for this
 years Parent Initiative Grant

Person responsible

Council
 Council

Deadline

October meeting
 Ongoing



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5. Board Trustee Report: Delivered by Sharon Hobin

Discussion:

- Budget was passed in June 2018.
- Was agreed upon last year for a 5% increase in wages over 3 yrs, however this has now been put on the shelf by Ford Government.
- Other budget cuts have affected Special Education.
- Kindergarten numbers are very high with some class sizes as high as 26 in some school because there is no hard cap on numbers.
- Grades 1-3 have a hard cap of 20:1, however, combined classes can and do occur.
- Feeder school numbers are up which is beneficial for our secondary schools.
- EQAO scores – No issues with academic math scores, but applied math scores are low.
- Talks around how math is taught and how changes are needed.

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person responsible</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
To keep Council and school updated	Sharon Hobin	Ongoing

6. Principal Report: Delivered by Carl Cini

Discussion

- Excited to be a part of Iona community
- Communication is very important and Iona Catholic Secondary School will be very active on Twitter.
- Other areas of communication will be through email blasts, school messenger, phone calls, text messenger etc...
- Talks around having a Facebook page and student council will be approached about a Snap Chat account.
- Would like to encourage everyone to promote our school through word of mouth.
- School requires an uplift and art students will help in painting and adding some zest to the hallways, making the school come alive and more energized.
- enrolment.



- Noted that our location is not great and does nothing to assist in increasing enrolment.
- Important Dates to take note of:
 - October 12 – Progress reports come out
 - October 18 – Parent interviews
 - November 8 – Grade 8 Open House
 - November 14 – Grade 9’s take child to work day

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
To continue communication to parents, Students, and community.	School Administrators	Ongoing

7. Future Meeting Dates:

- Meetings will take place on Mondays
- Monday October 29, 2018 6:30pm
- Monday November 26, 2018 6:30pm (possibly with screening)
- Monday January 28, 2018 6:30pm
- Monday February 25, 2018 6:30pm
- Monday April 24, 2018 6:30pm
- Monday May 27, 2018 6:30pm

8. Adjournment

- The meeting of the Iona Catholic Secondary Council was adjourned.