

Saint Catherine of Sienna
CSC Meeting Minutes
January 25th, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Attendees: MS. Pompili Bosco, Mr. Iannica, Ms. Carlesimo, Mr. Shiekh, Ms. Mendoza, Ms. English, Ms. Espinosa, Mr. Fernandez

1. **Ms. Pompili Bosco** – Opening Prayer and Land Acknowledgement
2. **Diana/ Ms. Pompili Bosco** - Welcome and Introduction
3. **Ms. Pompili Bosco** – Principals Report

a) Catholic School Council Meetings Standardizing of Process:

- The purpose of the change is to support a more consistent approach to how meetings are conducted, how the information is shared, and how to respect and elevate the voice of all stakeholders.
- All schools will publicly share with all parents/guardians of all children in the school to outline the agenda, date, time and means of accessing the catholic school council meetings, that includes via zoom link that provides access to attend meeting virtually. Will be sending out letter with all the information to all parents/guardians.
- All schools will be using a standardized agenda template.
- In creating the agenda, a call for agenda items will be sent to Catholic School Council members and the items will be carefully reviewed by the Chair.
- If non-voting members want to have an item on the agenda, it needs to be voted through voting by the members and needs to be processed. More information is to follow.
- Items will be reviewed at least one week prior to the meeting.
- Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes will be posted on the school website within 2 weeks of being approved by the Catholic School Council.

b) Presentations: January Highlights

- Elizabeth Fry Society, Human Trafficking Presentation for all grade 7 and 8 students: January 9, 10, 11, 2024 (positive experience from students and will invite her again to come back)
- Earth Rangers in person presentation grade 1-8: January 19, 2024

- Iona Secondary Students presentation on Arts Program for 6/7A, 7/8A, 7/8B, 8A: January 26, 2024
- Sidat Presentation (Equity and Inclusion) K8: January 29, 2024
- Indigenous Presentation for 3/4A-8A: February 8th and 13th

c) Faith Formation and Social Justice

- Self-control Virtues Assembly for Grades 4A and 4/5A: January 15, 2024
- Shrove Tuesday February 13, 2024 – school will be providing pancakes for all students, parents are welcome. Communication will be sent out to parents/guardians.
- School wide retreat March 1, 2024. School will provide pretzels for all students. Parents have the option to opt out. Communication will be going out to parents/guardians.

d) Wellness:

- Wellness crew continues to increase awareness Re: Mental Health and Wellness in the school.
- Weekly mindful meditation, announcements, promoted by Bell Let's Talk Activities: January 24, 2024.
- MIND UP Pilot Project at Siena (3A, 516B, 8A). (1 School representative from the South). Ms. English will provide some information on the program.

e) Speech Competitions Grade 4-8:

- School level Competition will take place on March 6, 2024.
- MS Family of Schools Competition: April 10, 2024. Siena will be hosting.

f) Math: Board Updated Mandate

- Board Mandated Math Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). Cycle 1 January-March.
- Focus on Math confidence and getting to know the learner.
- Two Grade 2, Two Grade 5, resource staff, and administrators will participate in PLC.
- Will attend sessions with other schools in MS facilitated by the MS Fit committee and sessions in the school with the school team. Siena hosted the FOS sessions.
- All students Grade 1-8 will participate in Math survey. Communications went out to parents on January 24, 2024, via school messenger.

g) Athletics: Basketball Seasons

- Junior Boys Basketball POD Tournament February 6, 2024. Siena is hosting.
- Junior Girls Basketball POD Tournament February 12, 2024. Siena is hosting.

4. **Mr. Bruno Iannica** – Recap about Human Trafficking

- Jan 18th, 2024, Presentation was a success. Parents participation is positive. The feedback was good about how parents learned about the habit of being human trafficked.
- One of Ten most wanted Pedophile in America was already caught
- Was featured at W5 TV show
- Highlights about educating the kids

5. **Diana** – Chair and OEPC report

- Gingerbread Decorating is a success, looking forward to next year again.
- Easter Spring Craft Event: Ideas are Welcome.
- Parent Resource: Survey is still going on how to provide what you can share to advocate.
- Blog Post: Fully Alive Curriculum- will roll out next school year. Website is available.
- Training session for different committee
- April 12, 13 2024: Ministry of Education Stephen Lecce will be present for the presentation

6. **Ms. English**: Educator

- Mind Up Pilot Project Sharing (Resource to Support Mental Health Wellness)
- Outlined preferably for teachers: Pilot by Goldie Hawn: New Resourced and Lots of Training
- Lesson plan for Grade 6-8 to break down into three and will roll slowly next school year
- Stem Sharing: Jr. Intermediate Classes: Intercoding Project made before Christmas. Obstacle Spral Ball and activity map were student made as a programmer.
- Presented the Coding System
- Showed the Video presentation of Ms. English Class doing the spiral Volt.

7. **Open Discussions**

- More resources (Core Math) Support from the Staff

- CTV Crew Video clip Student from Wellness made a Christmas Message and was aired Dec. 25th, 2023
8. **Ms. Pompili Basco** – Closing Prayer