

**St Pius X CSPC
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2019**

ATTENDEES

Danielle Hough – Co Chair
Joanne Noble – Secretary
Christine Vinci – Treasurer
Jeremy Greven
Georgia Gerasimopoulos
Arbelle Manicat-Emo
Don Hunter
Marianne Ventrone
Barbara Sylvestre-Williams
Monica Diodati-Valerio
Linda Klaamas
Jennifer Janke Wasiuk
Catherine Santos
Monica

Pat Tari – Principal
Odile De Figueiredo – Vice Principle
Laura Cairo – Staff Representative

PRAYER

Led by Principle Tari

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2019 MINUTES

Danielle motioned to approve. 1st Barbara. 2nd Jennifer

TREASURERS REPORT

Christine reported on financials:

- Toronto Marlies update. The date is set for Saturday Feb 1 at 4pm. The “Fan Experience” for our school is a Fan Tunnel – the organization will come up to where we are sitting and will collect 40 students and take them to where the players enter and the students will line up for high-five’s as the players go on the ice. The students will then be brought back to their seats. Tickets are \$27 (last year \$26.50 and we charged \$30) What’s are cost this year - \$30 again? Indira will put on the website so parents can purchase online. We’ll buy 500 (the min is 50 tickets). We also get charged a percentage for online purchasing so should we raise our price to \$35 (if it’s centre ice location)? The deposit is \$250. The Marlies are also giving us 4 tickets for the Bazaar. Christine will double check our seat location.
- Teachers have used 8 of 66 Scientist in School. 8 have been paid (\$205) more presentations have been booked and are forth coming.
- Pizza profits came in – Sep/Oct \$1953.65 to CSPC and \$2001.23 for the school.
- Family Fun Day expenses have been paid, will have the net by next meeting.
- Dec. 2nd Christine is meeting with Principle Tari and a board accounting person regarding an HST recovery program whereby the school gets a percentage rebate on any cheques written. The board may start requiring CSPC to do all banking online.
- Teachers Expenses – they now come to CSPC first to request the funds, then go to Principle Tari - 1/3 of our teachers have used their funds already which is great – this system is working well.
- Activity fee has gone up by about 10 more. Another request will get sent out in January.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

- A new Library Technician was supposed to start this week but now it won’t be until April
- Our Instrumental Music Teacher on Mat leave
- Ms. Wright may be back later this month but this is still not for certain.
- Teachers voted 97.1% for strike mandate – if go on work to rule it shouldn’t interfere with the Bazaar, we will work around it.
- Shooting in Swansea Muse affected student in JK/SK who knew the family. Principle Tari attended a residence meeting to show support for our school. They pulled our students who live in the area and spoke to them.

- The Remembrance Day ceremony was a great – some students joined Principle Tari at Prospect Cemetery to lay a wreath on behalf of the TCDSB.
- We are getting swim team – coaching is being led by 2 parents. Saturday practices. The board requires a teacher at these practices so Ms. Agres and Tari will alternate Saturdays
- Wednesday Nov. 20th grade 2-8 parent info night
- Dental screenings were completed
- On Friday 2 brand new basketball hoops are being installed in north yard - thank you to Jeremy Greven for arranging this.
- The bell in North yard doesn't work properly – numerous work orders have been sent so hopefully this will get fixed. Is now a safety issue
- Mental health student well being: Covenant House has done 2 presentations for gr 6-8's. TO Public Health presented last Wednesday night on stress and student resilience. They are coming back Nov. 24th to do Home Alone course.
- MLSE – Huddle Up Against Bullying Initiative. We may get a Leaf or Raptor player to talk to kids about Bullying – to be booked in the New Year.
- Scientist in School is up to date – as reported by Christine
- The Halloween dance was a success
- Tomorrow NDP MPP Bhutla Karpoche is presenting to 6-8 students 9:30-10:30
- A ski trip to Hockley Valley is being planned for gr 5-8 students Jan 20th. We are working on pricing.
- The gr 8 Chicago trip is booked. 44 or 48 grade 8's are attending. We will open up to 6 grade 7 students to bring it up to the 50 person requirement.
- Issue with the schools spending on photocopying. As of Nov. 1st teachers have 1 pack of paper/moth because costs skyrocketed last year to \$13,725 dollars in photocopying (4 years ago it was at \$9300). It is a cost for number of clicks and toner. This is a huge portion of our annual allotted budget of \$47,000 /year to run the school. We want the money to go back into the classroom in more constructive way – ie technology.

CHAIRS REPORT

- Danielle reported that there are no open issues at this time.
- Question asked about Activity Fee response; Christine suggests we send out another reminder. She will check online and get us the percentage were are sitting at.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Social Justice (Jennifer Janke)

- The Adopt a Senior Campaign is a success - 65 out of 138 seniors have been adopted so far. The Toy Drive with Bishop Allen is going to be only 4 days (Dec 2 – 5) because Bishop Allen need everything for Dec. 10 and they asked delivery for Dec 5.
- Regarding when CSPC hosts it's Staff Appreciation Lunch, Jennifer asked Principle Tari if a Christmas Lunch would be something the teachers would like instead of doing it in the Spring. Principle Tari said that Ms. Oliveriera helps organize something for Christmas so lets keep the CSPC lunch for end of year.
- We used to have a rainbow flag in the gym but it went missing after the gym was painted. Jennifer asked if we can we get a new one. Motion made to purchase flag - all were in favour, non apposed. Jeremy Greven will order one from Amazon (3 x 5 is \$12.00)
- Regarding CSPC Christmas Gift Card, Christine needs a breakdown from Principle Tari of families in need

Spirit Committee (Charlene McGlaugglin)

- Charlene is on vacation so no update. Juvenile Diabetes day is tomorrow. Parent Mat DeAbreu's son Ethan has diabetes and has asked if we can change the charity to a different diabetes organization next year– a Canadian charity they'd like our civvies funds to help support.
- Christmas Bazaar day students wear red, white & green civvies. There is no other spirit day in December

Running Club (Arbelle Manicat-Emo)

- A reminder has been sent that they will be starting Nov. 22. Another parent has stepped up to help so

there are 3 parents volunteering to run this now. (Arbelle, Emer Finan, Lisa Durante)

Pizza Lunch (Marianne Ventrone)

- We have just started on our Nov/Dec & Jan orders.

Apparel (Jen Cahalane)

- Jen is not here to provide an update. Christine provided the following details post meeting: Since September 2019 we've had 33 apparel orders, and have grossed \$2263. The estimated approximate net should be \$565 based on our previous profit margin. This is the amount CSPC made all year for 2018/19 so a good utilization.

IT/Website (Indira Guevara)

- Indira is not here to give feedback on website. Danielle put together comments about content/ideas and has asked members to do the same so they can be sent to Indira and we can discuss at next meeting

Social Media (Carmen Watkins)

- Carmen is not here to provide update.
- Danielle shared that we are up on Instagram now. Handles were on the last newsletter. We should give her a number of how many volunteers we need for Bazaar so she can send a notice out – maybe breaking it down to 1 hour time slots will help generate some volunteers.
- The November Newsletter went out. The next one can probably wait until January.

Playground (Ruby Patrickson & Jeremy Greven)

- They are putting up 3 new basketball nets on Thursday or Friday in the north yard. The board approved design consultant hasn't been able to get us any further with board. We were aiming for something by Spring but unfortunately she has not made any progress for us.
- Next Thursday there will be a meeting for Fundraising at 7pm at the school- 3-4 parents want to contribute along with a group of other parents who are interested in helping. He will draft room parent communication that Danielle will have sent out
- He'd like to have a banner made that says "thank you for donating to our playground fundraiser" along with sponsors names.

Christmas Bazaar (Marianne Ventrone)

- Barbara is doing the volunteer schedule. She has 10 for set-up. 8 for clean-up. The distribution of volunteers is: 49 people from 8:45 - 12:00, 44 people from 12:00 – 3:30, and 13 people from 3:30 – 6:00
- We are very short of volunteers for the after school time slot.
- Elf tickets: are selling on Monday. Thank you to Melanie MacDonald and Janet English for organizing.
- Vendors: Joanne has 7 vendors booked.
- Bake Table: Coleen Bailey-Moffitt and Marcia Martin are organizing
- Cupcake station: Ornella is running
- Spin wheel: Laila is running
- Social Media: Carmen is doing the Twitter & Instagram updates
- Silent Auction / Raffle Tables: Wendy, Laura, Catherine & Tara – are organizing
- Treasury: Christine will manage
- Donations: are thin. Mark Anthony is not donating like previous years which is a huge loss - a reduction in 200+ baskets and presales. We have some nice beauty kit items and our jewellery is good
- Food items: we lost a few sponsors, but gained a few. Monica is helping with that. Baking is starting mid next week.

At the end of the day this will still be a wonderful and fun day for the kids.

The Christmas Craft – will happen in December. Information will be going out after the Bazaar.

OTHER BUSINESS

Danielle reported that the Board voted to adopt the new language from the Human Rights Code which is a positive outcome.

ADJOURNMENT

Danielle motioned to adjourn:
1st Jennifer, 2nd Catherine