

St. Wilfrid Catholic School Advisory Council

MINUTES of the **MEETING** of St. Wilfrid Catholic School Advisory Council held in the library at St. Wilfrid Catholic School, Tuesday November 14/2017.

Council Members Present: Louella Di Francesco, Sylvia D'Souza, Barb Perrott, Jubelda Premnath, Keisha Petrola, Christine Rudder, Mike Young, Mike Neubauer, Julia Tapp, Cathy Duncan
Community Representative: Sherry Cybulski

Regrets: Joe Przybylo, Keisha Petrolo

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Item 1.1 Opening prayer

Mr. Young led the group in Opening prayer and asked for council members to have Mrs. Felteau in our prayers as her father has just passed away.

Item 1.2 Welcome & Courtesies

Jubelda Premnath called the meeting to order at 7:05 and welcomed all in attendance.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

THAT the St. Wilfrid Catholic School Advisory Council approves the Agenda for the November 14,2017 meeting.

Moved by Keisha second by Julia Tapp.

Carried

3.0 Actions to be taken

Item 3.1 Approval of minutes from October 24/17.

"That the St. Wilfrid catholic School Advisory council approves the minutes of the October 24/17 meeting.

Moved by Louella second by Keisha

Carried

4.0 Presentations

Item 4.1 DPA Mike Neubauer

Mr. Neubauer played a video that states this generation is expected to live 5 years less than their parents.

Daily physical activity or DPA is being looked at board wide. The school is going to approach it by breaking up the DPA into 5 minute pockets instead of one 20 minute block. As the 20 minute block can be difficult to schedule. Research tells us a 150 minutes of vigorous exercise per week will extend life 4 to 6 years. No more than 2 hours per day of sedentary sitting is recommended. Brain scans show the brain is more active after movement and physical activity. Incorporating movement as teachers are reviewing information and learning is a new goal. Teachers are brainstorming this PD Day Nov 17/2017 on this subject. Teachers are going to be doing some of the DPA energy break outside. It is important to dress appropriately for outside activity.

5.0 Announcements

Item 5.1 Next CSAC Meeting January 23/2018.

6.0 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Item 6.1 Chair Report

No chair report at this time.

Item 6.2 Principal's Report – Mike Young

Program News

Indigenous education is being incorporated into lessons in the school. Pickering school does not have many indigenous students but still very important to educate our students. Mrs. Mueller Chang active in the indigenous community.

Happenings

School Fundraiser very successful \$15,000 approximately was raised.

Bus Evac Presentations

Orange Shirt Day

Rosary Apostolates

Picture retakes

Grade 8 trip to St. Mary's

October celebrates Assembly

Parent Conferences almost completed

Grade 4 Bible ceremony was today

Upcoming Liturgies

Advent mass December 5

Upcoming Events

Milk Presentations – Nov 16
PA Day Nov 17
Mary Poppins Play at St. Mary's Nov 20
Junior Girls Volley Ball Nov 21
Junior Boys Volley Ball Nov 22
Grade 7 and 8 Immunization clinic Nov 23
Rosary Apostolate Nov 24, Dec 8, Jan 12
Junior Movie Wonder Nov 27 Was subsidized by the school fundraiser
Senior Boys Volley Ball Nov 29
Senior Girls Volleyball Nov 30
Celebrates Assembly Dec1,22
Family Christmas Night Dec 5
School Bus safety presentations Dec 6
Grade 8 St Mary's visit dec 7
Primary Christmas concert Dec 12
Kindergarten Christmas concert December 13
Christmas Break December 23 – Jan 7
Grade 1 Scientist in the school Jan 6
PA Day Jan 19

Item 6.5 Parent Involvement

Pizza days every Thursday. In January it is planned to go to cash online. A report will be given to school on how much pizza to order and it will be phoned in. Mr. Young is not sure how it works for cookies and drinks. We may have to phase out drinks and cookies to make things easier. Mr. Young feels it will be an easy transition to cash online. It will be for everything at the school. All trips and activities that cost money will be cash online.

CSC balance \$2555.44 up \$1827.22 this year. We have had 6 weeks of pizza approximately \$300 dollars a week is earned for the school.

Item 6.6 Parish Report

No Parish report at this time.

7.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

Item 7.1 CSAC Elections

Council did not have anyone come forward to be elected as chair. Mr. Young explained the responsibility is to set the AGENDA FOR THE MEETING. Mr. Young put forth the suggestion to rotate the responsibility. Keisha Petrolo is going to chair the next meeting on January 23, 2017.

Item 7.2 Family Christmas Night

Tuesday, December 5/2017 is Family Christmas night. Goal to bring new families together to celebrate community Christmas festivities at St. Wilfrid. The event is 5:30 to 7pm. Keisha went through the program plan. A Volunteer form has been sent home to families and is due back Nov 16/17. The event requires about 25 volunteers for the night. A week before a formal invitation will be sent out to the families of St. Wilfrid. We encourage families to bring food donations and or purchase something for the giving tree. We want to heavily promote this to families. Keisha outlined activities for the night. Choir, ginger bread station, jelly bean guessing, pizza can be bought. Santa comes from 6 to 6:45 with Santa. Santa gives candy canes. Sherry from the YMCA will also ask to see if any staff would like to volunteer from the YMCA. Sherry will let families at YMCA know about the event.

In regards to the giving tree at the school. Mr. Young said St. Vincent is better equipped to know what the families in need would benefit from. Mr. Young said he will think about a better option for the giving tree. Mr. Young said St. Vincent helped 60 families last year and that St. Vincent does prefer gift cards and not physical gifts. At this time the giving tree will be done as it has in the past but will be re-evaluated for future family Christmas nights.

Item. 7.3 Lunch Time Eating Times

Our kids have an hour lunch at 10:45 to 11:45. Currently they eat first then go outside. We are examining the possibility of switching that. Staff have been brainstorming advantages and disadvantages of this. Staff are thinking they will have an appetite after recess versus before recess. As well moving the time would protect instructional time by switching the lunch. Some staff are not in favor but they are discussing this. Council did say it could be challenging for classes who have gym right after lunch. Mr Young did say older kids tend to have gym after lunch and they eat quickly. Christine did mention students in program support tend to eat lunch at last snack because they are not hungry that early. Mr. Young says we need to give it a good time period to see if it works then re-examine.

A Board speaker Dr. Craig is coming in to do a Safe school presentation. It is from 1 in the afternoon till 3:30 at board office. Mr. Neubauer asked council to check their schedules and get back to him if anyone was interested in attending.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER

Closing prayer was led by Jubelda . The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm

``That the St. Wilfrid Catholic School Advisory Council meeting of November 14, 2017 adjourn.

Moved by Mike Young , Second by Sylvia,

Carried

