# **Corpus Christi CSS - School Council Meeting**

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 6:30 p.m.

Location: Microsoft Teams

Attendees: Kathleen Moro, Pat Brophy, Mike Silvello, Lisa Mikitzel

Facilitator: Kathleen Moro Log Recorder: Pat Brophy



Welcome	
Prayer	Corpus Christi School Prayer  Heavenly Father, You call us to be the body of Christ to others. May our eyes look upon the world with Your compassion. May our feet hurry to help others and to do good. May our hands reveal Your blessing upon humanity. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.
Land Acknowledgement	Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history. As we gather today on these treaty lands we have the responsibility to honour and respect the four directions, land, waters, plants, animals, ancestors that walked before us, and all the wonderful elements of creation that exist. We would like to acknowledge and thank the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for sharing their traditional territory with us.  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=33qSTVF-niU&t=2s
Action Items	
Discussion Items	Election of Members and Assignment of Roles – Chair, Parish Rep Trish: Chair Pat: Parish Rep
Principal's Report	Population: Total 1091 (1025 in person & 66 remote)
Kathleen Moro	Grade 9: 262 Grade 10: 263 Grade 11: 242 Grade 12: 317 (including Grade 12+)  CSC Account: \$7155.76  - Past councils have contributed to our Mac Lab, Guest Speakers, School Play, - \$1000 contribution from CSC account to Faith Day budget  Covid-19 Protocols  - Considering the protocols that needed to be put in place, the school start-up was very successful - Staff remain flexible to adapt as protocols continue to be refined - Many of our protocols and daily structures are based on the decisions made by trustees and senior admin We welcome feedback from staff, students and parent community in order to best serve the student community throughout the year
	<ul> <li>Sports Spectators         <ul> <li>Newly established protocol: Outdoor Sporting Events can have spectators.</li> <li>75% capacity</li> <li>Football games will be our first spectator-welcome sport of the year</li> <li>Indoor sporting events will be forthcoming—information yet to arrive. As of now, no spectators can attend indoor events.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Photos         <ul> <li>This year, we will be having student photos taken.</li> <li>October 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 13<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Virtual students will also be included between 2:30-4:00 – email has been sent out for sign</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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#### **Servery Update**

- So far this year, the servery has been closed.
- Two new ovens are being installed during the closure anticipated arrival of those ovens is before Chartwells opens back up at Corpus
- Anticipated reopening is November 8th.

# Field Blessing/Track Update

- Field was completed mid-September
- Last week we had the Gr 12s attend a blessing facilitated by Father Andrija
- Track will be completed in the Spring

### **Indigenous Spirit Walk**

- On National Truth and Reconciliation Day, we hosted a spirit walk.
- Walk included a smudging ceremony with Doug Dolittle (representative from Six Nations)
- Many students had not experienced a smudge before and were given an opportunity to learn about it from a second generation residential school survivor.
- Excellent showing by students. Thank you to the Equity Group and Daniel D'Souza for organizing

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#### **Gratitude BBQ**

- Thursday will be a school-wide BBQ
- Paid for through a contribution from student activity fee

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# **School Opening Mass**

- Facilitated by Student Council
- Streamed on YouTube for all students (in-person and virtual)
- Only school in the board that can celebrate Mass Thank you Father Andrija
- Communion in the time of Covid We have developed a protocol to ensure COVID protocols are maintained

#### Safe School Committee Member Request (BPI Plan)

- Kathleen has worked through the updating of the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan
- Corpus is prioritizing the reviewing and implementation of the board plan at the school level.
- We are committed to championing equity, inclusion and addressing anti-black racism.
- We want to look at our practices through a new equity lens in order to protect traditionally marginalized groups.

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# **Subject Awards**

- Seeking approval for our next CSC to be hosted in person. Currently we are not allowed to gather with parents and other non-essential visitors. Protocols continue to change and we will make adjustments when allowed.
- Subject awards will be done virtually so parents can continue to be involved Honour Roll and Award winners to be notified during live/recorded Morning Announcements throughout the week of October 25-29.

#### **World Teacher Appreciation Day**

- Thank you teachers!
- Faith Day lunch for staff

#### Faith Day

- Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup>
- Going to Country Heritage Park in Milton
- HCDSB has a partnership with this space where we can utilize
- Corpus will be having our Faith Day at Country Heritage Park
- Agenda for the day includes a guest speaker (David Wells) and an introduction to Indigenous Spirituality.
- Asking if CSC would be willing to support the lunch for staff at Faith Day
- Thank you CSC for your support we will make sure that it is know that CSC is supporting the

# lunch for Faith Day **Student Uniform** Last year, we switched from ISW to McCarthy's Several parents requested a long sleeve option (rugby or long sleeve golf-shirt) Student Council Uniform Sweater Option IT Corpus shares an IT staff member between Notre Dame Our most recent IT staff, Sarkis Martikian, has moved on to a position in program design We are currently operating in a hybrid model short staffed and without our regular tech support. The IT department continues to work diligently to meet the demand, but the realities are that we have numerous outstanding tickets and ongoing issues. Please be patient with the teaching staff due to disruptions – issues are known and we are working on solving outstanding tickets. Student council elections **Student Rep Report** Mya Pellegrini & Elections took place mid-September Natalia Szezpaniak Google Form was released to student body Students declared their interest in running Campaigning was conducted on School Instagram Account The voting process happened via Google Form Significant turnout for positions and also turnout in voting. Grade Nine turnout was exceptionally high—this is a good indication of the willingness of grade nines to get involved and make positive impacts on the school community! **Morning Announcements** Daily, the Student Council are hosting our Virtual Morning Announcements It is great to have students back leading the announcements and getting involved Having the student council on morning announcements have been beneficial for raising the profile of the roles and making sure that students know who represents them on student council. Teams & Clubs Update: Chess Club, Student Council, Longhorns for Wellness, Equity, Be You Love You (GSA) Although we are restarting a lot of clubs/groups this year after a break due to COVID, students have been very interested in joining and getting involved. Longhorns for Wellness is promoting mental health Be You Love You (GSA) is promoting equity and establishing a safe space. It is a club that helps establish an understanding that we want everyone to be who they are. Be You Love You is not only for those that identify as LGBTQ+ but also allies Our mandate as a Catholic institution is to make it known to all that all are welcome and all are beloved. **Student Council Proposals** 3 proposals have been submitted by Student Council o Floodlight – Looking for opportunities to have students experience an important student experience. Yearly, the Floodlight is one of the most cherished events. Halloween – Costume Contest Pumpkin Carving Contest – Each first period class to participate (October 29<sup>th</sup>) **Teacher's Report** Teaching in a hybrid learning model Lisa Mikitzel With 66 virtual students throughout the school, many classes do not have a virtual

If there is an online learner, teacher is expected to create a virtual space

Although, thanks to an amazing teaching staff, they are making it happen for those virtual

Teachers have reported connectivity problems

learners and creating enrichment, where possible

community going.

	<ul> <li>How parents can support</li> <li>Parents are encouraged to continue viewing the D2L/Google Classroom platforms to stay up on the learning</li> <li>Parents are encouraged to connect with the teachers – the key to a good partnership is the communication piece</li> </ul>
Next Meeting	Tuesday, November