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Improving student achievement and school performance.

Notre Dame CSC Nov 16, 2021 @ 6:30pm, ND Cafeteria

Attendance- Stephen, Norman Roberts (Principal) Julie, Christine, Danielle Piantoni (teacher rep) Cait, Marysia, Matthew, Tiana, Helen, Kim, Charmaine, Andria, Cheryl (via t/c), Mark Ilczyszyn (VP)

Regrets- Jeannie, Debbie, Marc, Gail

Welcome & Opening Prayer- Mr. Roberts

Approval of minutes (October meeting)- Moved by Helen, Christine

Approval of Agenda- Cait

Student Council update-

- Bullying prevention week: Tiana -next week bullying prevention week (different topics) IG posts, ect
- Planning events for Christmas
- Jan 2022- career day gr 10- speakers come in to talk about careers

Principal's Report-

- Tiny Home: constructions class near Owen Sound working with habitat for humanity; First Nations communities.
- Human rights and equity advisory committee- looking for parents to join. Racialized, get student and community voice, systemic racism, etc. Board advisory committee.
- Wellness survey- wellness team: survey conducted during first quad regarding: safety, vandalism, vaping, large group in the washrooms, academic supports, mental health supports, homophobia, racism, and sexism. Will be reported to student body and parents.
- Student Investment- know teachers, VP's, know ND culture, combined lunches, clubs, know lunchroom supervisors
- Uniform- we wear a uniform for: safety measures, builds community, eliminates judgement

Shorts problematic: kids wearing shorts and jogging pants on top and trying to wear all day.



- Structure- late (period 2 lunch), uniforms, breaks (longer classes, students need breaks; breaks will be in class)
- Grade 9 destreaming-almost all gr 9 subjects will be destreamed
- Mark reporting- Marks available Nov 18.
- Police academics- session with gr9 discuss drugs, drinking, online bullying, human trafficking
- EQAO –Mark: (practice) logistical hiccups; Wi-Fi is an issue, internet hubs that supply wifi for sections of the school. Plan to write it over 2 days; smaller numbers will be more beneficial in a controlled environment.

Parent Questions:

Quad/semesters for rest of the year: No info yet; equity an issue

ND Coat drive- Nov 30 "Halton Cares"; challenge with cCrpus and Assumption HS, then Angel campaign (raise \$ for needy families in our school community) Connecting with St Vincent de Paul. Gift cards for families.

Pro Grant- Christine; subcommittee Assumption, Corpus Christi and ND had a mtg and came up with a proposal. Mental health aspect. \$1500 between 3 HS's (see power point presentation) Event to be in early Feb 2022.

Council of chairs meeting - see email from Cheryl (power point)

Bishop's Dinner- Still access tickets available for any parents wanting to join

Sponsored the event with \$1000.00 donation

Communication update- (Julie)

- Cobs Fundraiser poster: Pushed out on Parent Facebook page, Twitter and Mark posted to the CSC web page, has not been on IG or newsletter yet.
- CSC minutes for September were posted on the school web page, as were the October minutes prior to approval by CSC. If there are any changes/Updates will ask Mark to replace the document.



- CSC meeting dates have been added to the school web site under the Upcoming Events calendar for the remainder of the year
- Changes to the parent Facebook group by that parent / administrator (not me): Feedback: too much info / posts, individual questions etc were getting lost. Web links and Instagram groups have been listed as an announcement. Parents to be responsible for getting info via active school channels. Ie) web page, IG and emails.

Fundraising- (Christine) Little Caesar's fundraiser. Walkers/ Upper Middle location. Potentially 2 weeks Dec 4-18? or Dec 4-11? Return to school is 15% Mabels Labels-Fundraiser to be started (was apparently previously started, however its linked to an American school in Iowa)

Long-term financial goal- football score board Activity fee- not a lot of parents have paid activity fee last year and this year d/t pandemic. Mr. Roberts to send out a notice to parents.

Parish Update- Father Paul (St. Gabriel's) Father Paul (St. Paul) to start visiting the school once a month. Advent videos and different religions seasons. Students to volunteer to clean the church, pews, ect. Food drive

OAPCE- Cait – No update yet

Treasurer report- Emailed out

Covid update- No cases in over a month. Social distancing still. Can have more chairs in cafeteria. Still no assemblies. Masks on all the time. Spectators at the sports games are allowed. Indoor sports will be starting. 4 ppl/player to watch. Cannot check the vax status of students/teachers but spectators must show proof of vax.

Traffic Flow- New signage, paving, resurfacing. Long-term goal. Senior level board approval and student-centred parking area

Next mtg Dec 14 to start earlier @ 6:15pm

Motion to close the meeting- Charmaine and Christine

Closing Prayer- Mr. Roberts