

Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School
CSC Meeting #1
Wed Sept 27, 2017

1. Opening Prayer and Introductions

In attendance:

Zaldy Perez	Jessica Vasic	Tisha Dayap-Berrio
Pia Augello	Dave Cheeranjie	John Raposo
Dayana Sovran	Mary D'Souza	Giulia Spadafora Falco
Andrew Lumsden	Cristina Geissler	Ainsley Hoare
Sue Verrelli	Elena Minicucci	Kimberlee Derkach

Regrets:

Julie Denardi
Cherie Scordino

2. Quorum and Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve: Andrew Second: Ainsley

3. Election of officers for CSC 2017/2018

Appointment of executive officers:

Chair: Tisha Dayap-Berrio	(Mary/Cristina)
Vice Chair: Andrew Lumsden	(Mary/Zaldy)
Secretary: Cristina Geissler	(Tisha/Mary)
Treasurer: Mary D'Souza	(Jessica/Tisha)
Parish Rep: Jessica Vasic	(Tisha/Mary)
Community Rep: John Raposo	(Tisha/Cristina)

Councillors: Dayana Sovran, Zaldy Perez, Giulia Spadafora Falco, Kimberlee Derkach, Ainsley Hoare, Cherie Scordino, Julie DeNardi

Teaching Rep: David Cheeranjie

Non-Teaching Rep: Pia Augello

4. Chairperson's Report: Tisha Dayap-Berrio

Feast Day Pasta Dinner: Thurs Dec 7/17: not meant as fundraiser but more of celebration of the feast of Immaculate Conception (as close to that date). Grade 8's do the serving and cleaning. In 2016 we had one seating of 175-180 in attendance. Previous years saw two seatings with an overall attendance of 225. Hoping for another successful evening among our school community.

Goal setting for 2017-2018: defer to Mrs Verrelli

5. Principal's Report by Mrs Verrelli

New principal is very impressed not only by the IC staff and teachers but also with the students and families of this community. She has felt very welcome and supported in her new role.

Past fundraising initiatives: Tisha

Smart boards for every classroom, 5 rovers for FDK classrooms. 10 year goal accomplished in 5 years.

3 basketball nets completed in 2016

20 ipads for classrooms

School logo on gym walls

2017: another basketball net already budgeted

Art club materials

Sue Verrelli fundraising ideas:

- Add to technology: laptop and cart for upstairs (currently only downstairs) focused towards an intermediate need for key boarding proficiency. Cart is costly. Looking for 15 laptops
- Robotics programming focused to grades 4-8 to encompass science/engineering/mathematics
- Maker Space Club for junior grades (4/5) that will include robotics, coding, programming, art, creating, building, inventing. Ms Baktawar is sourcing costs
- FLL JUNIOR (First Lego League) for grades 1 through 4, specializing in 4). Inter-curriculum for language, science, oral, visual and mathematics (water cycle). Board will pay for the license, we have to pay for the lego kits (that will be tied computer programming)
- Coding Club
- Hydration Station upstairs
- Scientist in the Classroom - We pay per visit. Hands on science facilitated by local scientists in the community. Teachers also in the classroom. Cross curriculum program.

Pro Grant: \$1000 for the school- spending TBC

Landscaping of school grounds. Board paid for some. Balance remaining of \$6441 to be paid by school Council. Vote: Landscaping owing cost of \$6441 (Mary/Jessica) *all in favour *paid by December 2017.

BASS fund (determined by pupil ratios): \$58,000

From BASS fund 15 ipads purchased, 15 matched by school board. 3 charging stations (\$1000) also purchased). Plus programs/text books.

Tisha: \$50 per homeroom/teacher/PPT for 2017. Dec 15th bill submission deadline. Already accounted for from last years budget.

EMERGENCY MEASURES:

3 fire drills in the Fall (first once Sept 27th very successful – all out in under 3 minutes)

1 bomb threat *NEW

2 lock downs *HPS will assist

Supply teacher folders will now contain classroom keys for lock down procedures

EVACUATION SITE: Redeemer College

By Law Officer: Call made regarding illegal parking at school pick up times at crosswalk at Emick
Traffic pick up times continue to be a challenge

We could close the staff parking lot gate if “kiss and ride” continues to be misused

John Raposo: Community Police officer enforcement would/could issue tickets for violations ...in the interest of children’s safety

Mrs Minicucci:

Updates on current school staff summary provided

New assistant clerk (Deborah) now 3 days a week

Rover Smart Board reconfigured to Grade 1 classroom (FDK classrooms went down from 5 to 4 classes)

Enrollment at almost 600 students

SIP (School Improvement Plan) distributed and reviewed

EQAO information distributed and discussed. Continued need for focus on mathematics. Challenge in maintaining current IC high scores reading, writing and mathematics

MATH COACHES available but spread throughout the board.

Grade 4’s CANADA’S KIDS through CANADA 150 continuing this year. Note that on Oct 11th

Immaculate Conception will be profiled in THE SPEC

A new maple tree has been donated. Planting ceremony in FDK area TBC.

Nov 4th Parent Conference at Bishop Ryan. Registration online. Great event, lots of swag/give-aways for this event

First mass was last week. Beautiful experience for the new principal – everything from the set up to kids behaviour to the choir.

6. Treasurer’s Report

No summary provided yet

Fundraising report to Superintendent – completed by Mrs Verrelli

Halloween Move-a-thon. Not a fundraiser. Looking for door prizes for the kids. DJ has been free in the past. Will be approached again this year to see if he will do it again.

Last year we asked for a one-time donation from IC families, in lieu of asking repetitively throughout the school year. Guide of \$50/family will be asked of families again for 2017/2018 year.

2017/2018 School Year Charities to be supported:

1. Equal Opportunities Funds
2. Food 4 Kids
3. The Good Shepherd / and We Mazonod Door

7. New Business

CCAS Hampers "Christmas Wish Upon A Star". We donate 25 hampers. Ask for profiles of the neediest families with children no older than 14-15 years old. Equal Ops in other schools to be considered in addition to CCAS. Book gym for Dec 18-19th (TBC) with a pick up on Dec 20th (early morning pick up) 20 hampers to CCAS + 5 hampers to Equal Ops

CSC meeting dates for 2017-2018 school year: Need a minimum of 4 meetings.

Wed Oct 25th (7-9pm)

Thurs Dec 14th Christmas Social (7pm) *location TBC

Wed Jan 31st (7-9pm)

Tues Feb 27th (7-9pm)

Thurs April 19th (7-9pm)

Thurs June 21st Dinner (7pm) *location TBC

June 25th: Grade 8 Grad

8. Committee Reports

Lunch Days - Mrs Verrelli asked to keep kids in class, instructional time is sacred, for any food distribution student volunteers

Open Discussion:

Kimberlee Derkach asked about Sunday weekly emails: Mrs. Verrelli will not be continuing this weekly email. Monthly newsletter and additional emails when required will keep IC families up to date.

Closing prayer and adjournment

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm