

### ENGLISH CATHOLIC CENTRAL SCHOOL

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# **MINUTES**

Catholic School Council and Safe Schools Committee Meeting May 30th, 2016

Present: Heidi Donck, Billie Richer, Matt Turner

Regrets: Rachel Batisse, Heather Godmaire, Peggy Miron

#### Prayer was shared

#### Amendment/Approval of Agenda

- Agenda approved

#### Amendment/Approval of Minutes (April 18, 2016)

- Minutes approved

#### **Business Arising from the Minutes**

- Matt will enroll us in Fundsrip
- Temporary shade structure coming soon
- No school cash online in the Board
- I have not been contacted regarding the Medical centre yet. Billie suggested I contact Jennifer Pye at the City.

#### Financial Report & Fundraising

- Budget Statement shared
- PRO Grant ideas were discussed for next year
- Inflatables expense to Council will remain \$500

#### **Principal's Report**

- Shade Shelter: We need a diagram from Engineer drawing, and a utility assessment prior to beginning. Next year we can begin planning.



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Summer work: Unknown at this time, however the front parking lot was intended to be

done this spring/summer School will be "Nut Aware" for the 2016-17 school year.

#### **Sudbury PIC symposium**

- This was attended by Heidi. Thanks Heidi!
- "Helicopter" parenting as well as other parental issues was the focus of the main speaker
- Aboriginal education and culture was the focus of the closing speaker
- Heidi shared many resources she collected from this event

#### **Safe Schools Committee**

Safe School Report shared

#### **New Business & Questions**

- Parental engagement at the school/Board and its impact on council membership was discussed in detail. If parents felt more connected to daily classroom life, then perhaps council numbers would increase. It was suggested that we ideally just get people to take the first step and "join" council with no upfront commitments, then we can look at expanding our efforts and activities. We will host a parent BBQ and open house on Thursday September 29, 2016 where we can advertise our council. Then, we will hold a "loose" first meeting/parent information night on Monday October  $3^{\rm rd}$  at 6:00 pm. This will be an opportunity to share our goals, and to get input on direction. Matt suggested that now that he knows people better, he can directly ask staff/parents/guardians to join council.
- Using municipal busing for student trips etc was discussed.
- Playground painting will occur again soon. More 4-squares would be ideal. More pavement possibly from Miller was also discussed.

# Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Next Meeting: Monday October 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm