



St. John's CES – CSAC Agenda  
Monday February 6th, 2023  
6:00pm – 7:30pm

**“Inclusion is not bringing people into what already exists; it is making a new space, a better space for everyone.” George Dei, 2006.**

Item	Time		Details/ Action
Opening Prayer	5 mins		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Antje will lead the group in prayer</li> </ul>

## Focus on Student Achievement / SIPSA

**Time: 30 mins**

**Nurturing our Catholic Community**

**Previous minutes posted on website**

Welcome to our new members Leann Minutillo (teacher rep), Krista LePage (parent), Craig Hennessey (parent). We are so glad you have joined us!

[WCDSB MYSP: Multi Year Strategic Plan](#)

- Principal will share the Board's plan and connections to the work of Council

**Community Cafe update** (5 minutes)

- Catholic Education Week: May 1st - 5th
- Community Cafe: Friday May 5th 8:45am - 9:45am (followed by Open House 9:45am - 11:30am)

**Council outreach for increased membership** (10 minutes)

- current members will invite community membership
- we can have a parish member and a community member on our Council as per School Councils mandate
- we can add information to the parish bulletin in the new year to seek parish rep / increased parent/ guardian membership

**Shrove Tuesday: February 21st**

- Remember Me Inc. will be catering our Pancake Breakfast
- cost is \$3.00 + tax / student
- all students will receive 2 pancakes St. Vincent de Paul will be making a donation to our school to support the cost of this breakfast
- we will also ask for donations on School Cash online
- we welcome the help of volunteers to assist with distribution of pancakes, helping to cut in Kindergarten/ Primary classes, and clean up
- Volunteer commitment is from 8:45am - 10:45am

### **Volunteer recruitment** (5 minutes)

- Pizza day on Thursdays 11:30am - 1:00pm
- washing N4L bins on Friday afternoons 3:00pm - 3:45pm
- Strong Start reading program (Grade 1 teacher Jen Ruston is contact)
- student clubs at lunch in the Learning Commons (e.g., board games, reading club, robotics, etc.)

Volunteers need to contact Main Office for package

**\*\*Important clarification:** volunteers must be parents of students or known adults to school community (e.g., retirees, etc.).

**Time: 20 mins**

**Student Engagement, Achievement, & Innovation**

### **Black Heritage Month**

- My Place in this World
- daily messaging on board and school Twitter accounts/ in-school announcements
- unlearn poster gallery walk (Jr/ Int students & staff)
- ongoing JEDI training for staff

### **Healthy Schools update**

- framework for the school year
  - we have a plan but it has been challenging to get this work off the ground with all the staffing shortages we are experiencing
- role of student/ staff/ parent representatives
  - students need to be afforded the opportunity to lead and take ownership/ responsibility for school culture and community
  - parents/ guardians are supporters of the work (i.e., volunteers, helpers for school wide events & celebrations, etc.)
- Safe Schools team is a ministry mandate; must meet 3 times per school year
  - plan is to have first meeting prior to March Break, #2 b/w March Break & Victoria Day, #3 before year end
- our Healthy Schools team meets this mandate provided all membership groups are covered (e.g., parent rep)
- parking lot is a growing concern particularly at the end of each school day
  - many people are attempting to drive through the school parking lot while buses are loading students and/or crossing the parking lot to leave the property
  - we would gladly welcome parent volunteers to assist with safe dismissal at the end of each day
  - this would be a 10-15 minute commitment at the end of the day
  - school will provide safety vest/ umbrella/ training
  - thank you for connecting with school principal if you are willing/ able to help us

### **Financial update**

- Principal will provide update (5 minutes)
  - no update from December meeting

<b>Time: 20 mins</b>	<b>Building Capacity to Lead, Learn, &amp; Live Authentically</b>
<p><b><u>TD Friends of the Environment Grant</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• discuss next steps for planning committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ this work in in progress</li> <li>◦ parent group needs to define the scope of work and provide all necessary components of <a href="#">APF003: Proposed Renovations or Alterations to School Grounds or other Board Faciliites</a></li> <li>◦ school principal will complete the necessary paperwork once all the required information is supplied</li> <li>◦ work cannot be approved or proceed until this step is completed</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>New Items</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• questions/ concerns/ upcoming plans/ events</li> </ul>	
<b>Next Meeting Dates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday April 3rd, 2023 (Chair: Hebron)</li> <li>• Monday May 1st, 2023 (Chair: Janice)</li> </ul>

Together, we will build a strong community that is committed to lifting up others, repairing harms of the past, and creating a better tomorrow for all. #Awaken

Attendees: Antje Hulburt, Nicole Schmidt, Lorraine Harris, Leann Minutillo, Krista LePage, Craig, Hennessey, Tonya Reesor

Regrets: Janice Levangie, Julie Bundscho, Hebron Gebre-Mariam