

Connaught School Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 5, 2023
6:00 pm

School Library

1. Agenda Approval - motion to approve and passed
2. Additions to the Agenda - none
3. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting - motion to approve and passed
4. School Report

Teacher

Girls Volleyball Ms. Linton is running

jr. has tournament in May

intermediates have tournament end of month

~ Yoga Club - Miss Marshal in April for primary, jr., and intermediates

~Chess Club - Mrs. Sweeney tournament tournament in March

~ Art club - Mme. Greene excelling with a lot of interest from all ages

~Intramurals - Mr. Lintern primary grades can participate on days 1,2,3 & 5 kids are quite excited to learn new skills (ball handling, running, responding to whistle, coachable skills)

~gr. 8 transition to high school meetings happening now and are ongoing with Spec ed. teachers from CCI 1\1 meetings about the program, IEP's

~Patty Fedorco is the student success teacher comes once every other week to help with goal setting, career exploring, courses and my blueprint

~gr.7\8 trip to Mansfield Outdoor Ed. Centre, 2 nights 3 days June 3-5 , have an unplug and play experience, fundraising in the works including Glow in Dark dance at the end of Feb. and Business Fair during the week before March break - monies raised will go towards reducing the cost of the overall trip for all students

~ February 16 report cards go home

Principal

- **SAEP - condensed SAEP - goals, strategies, communication, data - collecting**

~ TEAM consists of 5 teachers: Mr. Lintern, Mrs. Ironside, Mme Greene, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Ferguson and Principal: Mrs. Ottewell

~focus on diagnostic assessments and using results to make small groups catered to student needs, using unit check ins and block assessments from SCDSB Course of Study in math

- focus on diagnostic assessments and using results to make small groups targeted to student need in phonological awareness in literacy - using evidence-based programs like UFLI, Acadience Screener, SRA, Lexia)

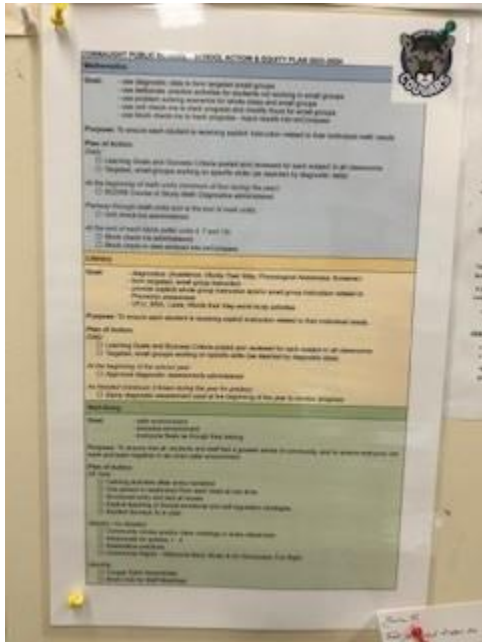
- data comes from: 3X year there are student surveys, climate surveys, EQAO, report cards

~ well-being goal is to make every school community member feel safe and like they belong

- goals shared with students and families - newsletter in Feb.

~reputation here is a positive one all staff have something to contribute in a positive manner 25% of our kids feel they have no-one to connect to however 100 % of our kids are proud to be a cougar

- see attached photo of Condensed SAEP - hanging in every classroom



- **Playground Update - repairs**

- ~ 7782.00 in account with 5500.00 accounted for on repairs
- ~ we have received a generous donation from Burnside Engineering of \$1100.00 that is being used to go towards the School Yard Improvements\
- Rob will draft a letter asking for donations in helping with this improvement to our yard!
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- **What's Next? - fence/gate at front of school**

~ a gate has been installed at the North side of school, there are negotiations being discussed regarding a gate to be installed at front of school near office

- **Character Education Nominations - staff** - Ms. Jessica Bible (EA working in kindergarten), **student** - Asher Stouffer, grade 7 student

- **Grade 7/8 Trip to Mansfield - upcoming fundraisers - see above**

- **New School - Wasaga Beach**

Opening September 2024 with new Principal TINA HOLROYD, Connaught will be losing both staff and students approx 1 class and 2 teachers because we have 30 students currently residing in the area that will be going to the new school;

We are now able to use the small schools act making us eligible to have gr.6 students to participate in more activities without having to forfeit at sports\tournaments. Ms. Linten can use her practise squad

We are an open to out of area school and cannot accept these requests if there is room in classes; however, transportation will not be provided by the SCDSB

Parents are encouraged to put feedback in writing to our superintendent and/or trustee to discuss concerns about the diminishing population

Boundaries for Collingwood will not be changing

- **Reflection of Music and Art Showcase**

Great turn out, beautiful show. We will continue to host this next year.

Thank you to all who helped out - we appreciate all your hard work leading up to this wonderful event

Our goal was to have something to draw people into the school to help promote our silent auction fundraiser

Door prizes a huge success - let's add even more next year

Update from Silent Auction Themed Basket Fundraiser

- **Monies raised**
 - \$1833.35
 - small baskets work better - more affordable
 - try to gather and push door prizes in addition to the basket
- **Changes required - accountability for finances; contacting families; collection of monies** ~ this is to only be handled by Sara Jo (principal) including the collection of any money and phone calls to the winners
- **questions and concerns**
- next year we will use silent auction bidding sheets, so that everyone can see the bids to make bidding more transparent

5. School Council Report - NA

6. Next Meeting Date - Monday, March 4th at 6:00 pm