

Cedarview School Council meeting Jan 17, 2024

In Attendance: Tracy Radbourne, Cheryl Strautman, Krystal Dodd-Wass, Nick Wakeham, Laura Bloom, Jennifer Stadler, Laura McLellan, Stefanie Rowan, Shelley Neill, Cristin Graham, Dan Bloom, Wenser Estime, Heather Moulton

Virtual: Amy Montiel, Krista MacIsaac, Sara Homme, Donna Owen

Regrets: Diane Rivard, Nadine Gagnon, Margaret Ferrall, Sarah Wise, Brendan Ziolo

Agenda Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Taken/Person responsible
Welcome and introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm 	Laura McLellan
Approval of Agenda/Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve the agenda/minutes made by Krystal Dodd-Wass, second by Laura Bloom. All in favour, none opposed. 	Cheryl Strautman
Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not much to report since 2-week break, With colder weather trying to get students adjusted to dressing appropriately for being outside and for the weather School Climate Survey - only 71 participants for Cedarview out of 668, generally folks will reach out when they want to be heard, Across the scales, 3.5+ range out of 5 across all sectors, In open ended questions - a lot of concern around student behaviour, student congregated behaviour, groups that were bullying, and feeling that there were no consequences. School is not allowed to divulge to other parties what consequences occurred, in those cases it is difficult for families to see the results, There are progressive disciplinary policies and so by stating what the consequences are it divulges more information than the school is allowed to share, Families can't always see how the school is managing the situations, school is able to share that a consequence is being given but can't say what that consequence is, Shelley is feeling like this year is different, particularly around how students are behaving in the school Shelley wants the school community to know that they take behaviours seriously and they do react, They are working hard at Cedarview to work on those behaviours, they are still feeling the consequences of COVID lockdowns and changing behavioural expectations, Cedarview is working on skills that students are struggling with - executive functioning skills - the schools' SLP is an expert in Executive Functioning Skills - PD Day learning is going to be focused on Executive Functioning skills - how it affects their abilities and relates to the report cards, working with the teachers to explicitly teach to these skills, Working towards teaching the students the executive functioning skills 	Jennifer Stadler

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the structure of the OCDSB Code of Conduct for students - working to personalize it for Cedarview, will provide it to families to provide feedback and be aware, • Snowhawks is a go - there is a waitlist - it's full, now getting them in to meet with the students to move forward, • Cedarview is moving back to closing bathrooms during nutrition breaks and recess, enormous number of students congregating during breaks and during class time, also aware that vaping is occurring at that time, • Washrooms will be closed 10min before/after breaks. • Difficult to manage from a disciplinary point of view for the school administration, • The issues are the vandalism, the vaping, other students not feeling safe, • Staff are not allowed to walk into the bathroom unannounced, they must knock and provide clear direction that an adult is coming in, • Staff is checking lockers if there is a suspicion of vaping, but students are hiding the products, • Concern from Laura Bloom about access to the bathroom - Shelley reinforced that students can come to the office, Shelley will ensure that it is explicit to students and staff about bathroom access, • Question if this will be a consistent policy for remainder of the year, • Trying not to flip flop through the rest of the year, • For now bathrooms will be open during the instructional time, and they will be closed during the breaks, • If parents have specific concerns, then please bring those individually to administration. • Question from Wenser - can there be a gender approach? The school does send male staff into the bathrooms. • Specific incidents should be brought to the school to discuss it, • Question - What is the policy if a student is caught with vaping equipment? - Mandatory suspension - and police report as it is a "criminal" offence, and safe schools involved. • School is feeling that the student behaviour related to expectations is getting worse at this time, • Dan's question if the school feels that this is a problem with no solution - Shelley reporting that they are taking various strategies to mitigate the situation. The school has had to follow up on various situations to date. • Laura M questions whether the anonymous reporting through the OCDSB is for these types of situations - Shelley reported that the school is trying to get CCTV in all the hallways, • Jennifer's comment is that the Anonymous Reporting Tool any comments from there would come to Cedarview's administration. • Bell times for next year - not likely for next year, but could be 2 years out 2025-2026 • Stefanie Rowan - she emailed the school or wanted to email the school - prior to Christmas break there was a person filming the school standing in front of the church - did anything come of this? Jennifer will follow up. 	
<p>Teacher's Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls volleyball participated in board finals, volleyball is winding down - will end with teacher vs. student volleyball game • Basketball tryouts started up this week for boys and girls, 	<p>Cristin Graham</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a couple of presentations coming up - JMSS Concert and Jazz band are coming February • MASK presentation - arts experience to schools using professional/high quality performances - 2 performances - subsidized through a grant Musabo - West African drummer and dancer. • Ms. Chadha - excited about drama classes writing, performing, and creating their own costumes, • Have high school course selection going on now - Cristin can provide help if students are uncertain, • Snowshoes are available for teachers for Phys Ed, now that we have snow, • Mini enrichment is happening again this year - opportunity for Gr 8 students to participate in university courses to see what's available through the local universities, • Donna question what is the time frame for the mini enrichment - Cristin is unsure - she will look it up - Donna to send Cristin an email. Feels that March may be the deadline. Registration has opened even though the school hasn't received any information. April 29 - May 3 for the courses, deadline is February 23rd for registration • Have registered the school for Mini Musicale - March Madness for French songwriters - students vote, teachers are on board, good for engagement, • French Public Speaking contest within the school - organized by Mme. Heffernan, March 7 is date - it is voluntary, 3 categories - French Immersion, Core French and Francophone Speaker • Gauss Math Competition - not mandatory, for students who want to participate. • Question from Wenser - is this info posted somewhere - Shelley reporting that they are trying as a school to post this info consistently on the website. 	
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deposit from Purdy's cheque \$1151.19 • Total in account \$6323.01 • PIC account \$902.50 	Amy Montiel
OCASC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting will be tomorrow! • More to come next meeting. 	Wenser Estime
Online Communications Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pretty quiet - some cheers to the volleyball teams, • Questions and comments and concerns about bussing, • Route 683 - concerns with buses not showing up on time and being too full to board, • Shelley will follow up with the supervisor with lates in the a.m. • They are trying to keep consistent drivers on the routes so when there are illnesses it makes it hard to re-deploy • There are some reports that at the end of the day when the bus stops at Marketplace that general public are getting on, 	Tracy Radbourne

<p>PICC and PRO Grant</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRO Grants were officially due last Friday, but Krista has asked, and they will still accept them, • Looking for options - My Life Online - came back as very expensive - approx. \$3000 for 2 sessions in the same day, • Looking at Media Smarts - it is more affordable - \$750 for virtual, and \$1000 for in person, have some new programs, • Contacted Rideauwood - went through their website - haven't heard back from them about what they have that might be applicable, wasn't clear on their website - sessions directed to parents and caregivers experiencing substance abuse in youth, • Shelley reports that Rideauwood does not currently have a person who can come in to do the presentations even to the students, • Have some flexibility - can apply with some vague wording, • Dan's comment that he wonders if the PRO Grant process is not worth it as there doesn't seem to be buy in, they have seen this at other parent councils where there is discussion and work for not good result, • Discussion that council still feels that it is worth trying and getting the funds for an in-person presentation, • Laura's concern with the volunteers necessary to hold an in person social - some council members spoke up that they would volunteer • Krista is willing to do the application - will include a request for a media and/or online safety presentation and that it will be an in person event with potential for social component. • This was proposed to the council who was present and there was no opposition. 	<p>Krista MacIsaac</p>
<p>Grad Committee Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krista will be sending an email to the grad committee to start the discussion, • Will send a note for the weekly communication to offer up to request for volunteers for the grad committee. 	<p>Krista MacIsaac</p>
<p>Little Caesars Fundraising</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krystal only able to speak to someone at Little Caesars this morning, • The flyers will be to Krystal by Friday, posters are included, • Will promote through email in weekly update as well as a stand alone email later in week • Live on Monday, Jan 22, 2024 - orders will close on Monday, Feb 5, 2024 - any paper orders will be picked up on February 5, due to them on Feb 7, 2024 and Krystal to do this • Delivery on February 22, 2024 - will need a delivery cheque at some point - will be asking for volunteers, 	<p>Krystal Dodd-Wass</p>
<p>Misc. Items/Discussions/Inquiries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question from Krystal Dodd-Wass - discussion from her student that students are breaking into lockers? Breaking/cutting locks? • Shelley reporting that this is not the case - kids are choosing not to lock their locker - then other students are coming along and pulling them and either breaking them, 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School is putting it out to students that they need to have a lock on their locker by the end of this week - there are locks available at the office, • Discussion that Dudley locks may be a good option 	
Next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting - Wednesday, February 21, 2024 - 630pm in person with virtual option. 	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tracy Radbourne and seconded by Stefanie Rowan at 7:56 p.m. 	