**Father Fenelon Catholic School**

**Minutes for December 2016 Parent Involvement Committee**

**Present:** Mike O’Neill, Linda Cook, Christine Ashton McDermott, Carla Wilson, Daphne Khoo, Dee-Ann Ramirez, Janelle Edward Myers, Martine Nieuwland-Martinez, Mary Riches, Sheelagh Macina, Sonya Barrie, Victoria Heron, Denise O’Keefe, Cherylann Pelage

1. **Courtesies/Announcements/Regrets:**

Regrets: Iren Tarczali, Sandra Doyle Lisek, Nadine Marshall, and Steve Marshall

1. **Chair's Report – Christine Ashton McDermott**

* Discussed the Welcome Booklet

1. **Principal’s Report - Mike O’Neill**

Student Engagement

* Update on Tchoukball intramurals.
* Discussed House of Code.
* Updated milk bag weaving. Last year the students completed 13 bags and this year they have already completed 5 bags. Parents reminded to send in more clean milk bags.
* Discussed multi-cultural clubs.
* Discussed Tree Bee.

Facilities Update

* The YMCA childcare will have its final inspection in 48 hours and the doors are scheduled to open shortly.
* The students are currently working on the outdoor space, including the buddy bench, the inclusion garden, and selecting where the 3 basketball nets will go. The school will be removing the soccer posts and replacing it with new nets.

School Improvements

* Reviewed the strategic action, which focuses on teaching and learning, pathways (opportunities), and community culture and caring.
* The staff are meeting twice monthly and on PA days to review the strategies.

Safe Schools

* The results will be out soon for the wellness survey of grades 4 - 8. There was 100% participation.
* Discussed bullying prevention.

Budget/Purchasing

* Advised that the RazKids subscription had been renewed.
* Advised that we raised over $32,000 by the chocolate sales. A big thank you to Mary Riches for everything.
* Advised that the year-to-date amount provided to subsidize busing costs is $700.
* The PIC agreed to have this year’s big budget purchase be 30 new Chromebooks and a cart.

Other

* Confirmed the Christmas Concert will be on December 14th at 6:30 p.m. A big thank you to all of the teachers for giving up their evenings to organize and run the concert.
* Confirmed the Shopping Night will be on December 20th. Parents and high school aged children asked to volunteer.

1. Committee Reports

* No committees formed as of yet
* Agreed that we need to form a Parent Math Night Committee. The Math Night will be on February 22nd.

1. **Adjournment:** 8:40 pm

**Next Meeting: February 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**