

CANADIAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Attending: Mr. Messina, Greg McCormick, Stephanie Roberts, Claire Beauvais, Lerida Drosi, Craig Rushton, Dolly Palin, Deb Tallevi

Regrets: Julie Deane, Ms. Lamparski, Magdalena Sztajnmecc, Tierney Thorne, Kate Prangley, Lina Cannella

- **Opening Prayer** – Lerida Drosi
- **Principle Report** – Mr. Messina

THE MISSION OF THE HWCDSB

The mission of Catholic Education in Hamilton-Wentworth, in union with our Bishop, is to enable all learners to realize the fullness of humanity of which our Lord Jesus Christ is the model.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – SCHOOL GOALS 2017-2018

Believing:

The vision of the staff at Canadian Martyrs CES is to foster student knowledge, participation, leadership and a deeper understanding of what it means to live out the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations.

Achieving:

The vision of the staff at Canadian Martyrs CES is to place greater focus on the mathematical process of problem solving. This will include:

- a) Students able to identify and highlight the important information in a problem
- b) Students can select the appropriate operation
- c) Students understand how to compute the problem
- d) Students can communicate what solution they chose and why

Serving:

The vision of the staff at Canadian Martyrs CES is to foster an inclusive, safe and healthy school environment with a focus on mental well-being.

Principal's Report

A. Distribute February calendar

B. Extra-Curricular:

- a. January: CYO Junior Boys Basketball & Junior & Senior Girls Volleyball
- b. Stamp Club continued

C. Student Voice (Student Council): Mardi Gras / Valentines Day Activities Tuesday, February 13th

D. Upcoming Canadian Martyrs School Summary of Events:

- a. Major School Fundraiser – World's Finest Chocolates (Feb 12 – Mar 1)

- b. Mardi Gras / St. Valentines Day Activities & Pancake Shrove Tuesday (Tues Feb 13)
- c. Hamilton Bulldogs Hockey Game (Sun Feb 25 @ 2.00pm, Free!)
- d. French Café (Thurs Mar 1)

E. Public Health Report for Canadian Martyrs’ absences for Monday February 5, 2018 was 11.24%. Please adhere to the attached Norovirus Fact Sheet by Public Health.

F. Board Policy Review 2018 – Staff and Council will submit their individual opinions (if interested) directly to Emilia Rastelli at rastellie@hwcdsb.ca no later than February 23, 2018.

G. School Communication (standing item):

- School Correspondence: *Safe Arrival*, Phone, Student Agenda Books, Notes
- School Website: Banner/Buzz Board/Tabs
- Weekend/Daily e-mail blasts (*School Connect*)
- Monthly Calendar
- School E-mail - cama@hwcdsb.ca
- Protocols - Arrival at School, School Visits, Playground
- Appointment with Principal or Teaching Staff

Questions...

- **Treasurer’s Report** – Julie Deane

Date	Transaction	Description	Expense	Income	Balance
		Balance Forward			\$4,781.43
01/10/2018	Cheque 1694	Mrs. Sztajnmecc (Christmas Store Receipts)	\$88.99		\$4,692.44
01/31/2018		Closing Balance			\$4,692.44

- **Co-Chair Report** – Deb Tallevi / Lerida Drosi
 - A. Christmas Store Review – Craig Rushton looked into new opportunities for the next school year, specifically Ten Thousand Villages. They are interested in collaborating on a festive sale to replace the traditional Christmas store. Options were discussed, specifically that they would “run” the Christmas store for us selling their items. This would include a presentation done one week before with a preview of their for-sale items. Intermediate students could help the younger students wrap the gifts. Another option is to have a Canadian Martyrs Day at the actual storefront, and 10% of their sales would go back to the school.
 - a. Craig Rushton will follow up and see if there is a preview of items they would sell – will follow up at the next meeting in March.
 - b. It was agreed that the Canadian Martyrs Day at the storefront was a good idea.
 - B. Drum Fit night – review of event – feedback?
 - a. Well attended and tons of fun! See school website for highlights.
 - C. Mardi Gras Dance-A-Thon – letters were sent home but it was not clear as to the expenses for the kids for the day, Mr. Messina to review the letter and include details in his weekly email blast (i.e. kids will need cash to pay for TCBY, popcorn and pictures).
 - D. Pancake Tuesday – we need volunteers for this day. Ms. Tallevi to review prices of griddles to purchase for use.

E. Suggestions for next meeting -

- a. March – Easter fund-raising event ideas? Raffle? Decided there was too much going on this year.
- b. May - Catholic Education Week (in past years we have hosted pasta dinner and math night). Need someone to run the event (plan, organize, decorate, collect money/forms). We discussed options – i.e. game night/pizza night, working with Bienenstock on filling the outside planters, etc. At the next meeting we can pick a date.

- **Parish Report** – Altar Servers Needed. *“We are in need of additional altar servers for all Sunday liturgies. We welcome those in Grade 4 and up to consider joining this special way of helping out at Mass. We thank all current and past altar servers who are faithfully present at Mass each week and service. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact Sr. Mary McIntyre at mmcintyre@csjcanada.org.” Training is scheduled for Saturday February 10th if you are interested.”*
- **Closing Prayer** – Lerida Drosi

Thoughts, ideas, notes:

- Next Council meeting is set for Tuesday March 6, 2018