



Hamilton-Wentworth
Catholic District School Board

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CANADIAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, May 17th, 2016

In attendance: Claire, Lerida, Deb, Val, Sarah, Craig, Amy, Mrs. Traina, Mr. Messina (students- Lily, Abby, Arianna)

Regrets: Dolly, Melissa

- 1. Opening Prayer- Mr. Messina**
- 2. Welcome and Introduction**
- 3. Principals 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

Learning with Faith Goal

The Staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will explicitly teach the traditional Catholic prayers & meditations (including the Rosary and Stations of the Cross); as well, the responses to the four parts of the Mass, which will increase student knowledge, participation and leadership during daily classroom/school prayers, and school monthly and community weekly Masses.

May Focus: *Rosary: 4 Sets of Mysteries*

Literacy Goal

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES, through differentiated instruction, will work to foster the acquisition, and understanding of reading strategies to improve proficiency across the curriculum.

May Focus: *Evaluation – strategies for reading & effective text based evidence*

Numeracy Goal

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will introduce, expose and explore the 7 mathematical processes as they work to achieve the expectations outlined within the five strands of mathematics. This will be done through modeling, practice and open response opportunities to improve on student mindset towards mathematics and greater student success.

May Focus: *7 MP: Reasoning & Proving*

Pathways Goal

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will work to support students with explicit teaching and guided student exploration as students develop learning skills, work habits, and goal setting; and work through education/career/life planning.

May Focus: *Learning Skill: Collaboration*

Catholic Community, Culture and Service Goal

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will work to foster an inclusive, safe, and healthy school environment.

May Focus: *Earth Month & Caring Carnival*

Caring Carnival- 7 groups, students can wear their team colour, everyone will start with Zumba and then break off into groups- Yoga, Chill Zone (sensory activities, journaling with a social worker), buttons with caring messages, caring water bottles (how to cope with stress), music therapy, nutrition. The goal is to help with self-care/mental well-being. This is part of a 3 part message- 1) Mac nurses (bullying/treating others well), 2) Focus on the Environment and this 3) focuses on the self.

Suggestion: Next year bring your student to a meeting?

Principal's Report

1. **School Improvement Plan, March Focus:** see front page

2. **Student enrollment** - 191 to-date

Currently have straight grades (JK/SK, 1,2,3,4,5,6/7,8) if this doesn't work out then JK/SK,1/2,2/3,3/4,4/5,5/6,6/7,8)

Lose Miss Woods- Mrs. Traina to grade 1 and Ms. DeMello to JK/SK.

Won't know for sure until August.

3. **Staffing for September**

4. **Student Voice** – During Catholic Education Week the student council raised non-perishable food items for the Good Shepherd

5. **Catholic Education Week Summary Report:** Great success right from: Community Mass, System Mass, Pasta Supper, all the way to Student Director's Awards, Jump Rope for Heart and Scholastic Book Fair. Thank-you to Mr. Culina and our Parent volunteers: Mrs. Iantomassi, Ms. Stewart, and Mrs. Gilgrass for running such a successful book fair in our Learning Common.

6. **Extra-curricular:**

- Robotics Team
- CYO Track & Field – June 7
- Stamp Club Meeting – June 14

7. **Calendar of Events:** Please visit our website to view our May/June Calendar. Some highlights include:

- ✓ Kindness Fair/Carnival – May 20
- ✓ Victoria Day: No School – May 23
- ✓ Dental Education (Local Dentist Office, Dr. Elio Felice – FDK – Gr.3/4) & Dental Screening (Public Health – FDK & Gr. 2 and students who require screening)

- ✓ Grade 3 & 6 EQAO (May 25 – June 8) at Canadian Martyrs: May 25, 26, 27, 30 June 1, 2
- ✓ Two more Pita Pit Lunch Days – May 27 & June 3
- ✓ May Student Monthly Awards – May 30 2:00p.m.; June Theme: *Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations*
- ✓ CM "Hurray For FDK" Evening – June 14 at 6:00p.m.
- ✓ **Volunteer Needed- please contact Mrs. Traina** (We have moved our meeting day to this date so one of us will go down to talk to the parents)

- ✓ Graduation Breakfast – June 21
Take the graduates for breakfast at the Pancake House across the road- paid for by the school.
Students will pre-order their food.

- ✓ **Mass, Liturgy & Sacramental:**
 - ✚ May Crowning Liturgy – May 26 at 2:00a.m., Canadian Martyrs Church
 - ✚ Graduation & Year End Mass – June 23 at 9:00a.m.
 - ✚ Graduation Liturgy/Awards Ceremony & Dinner Dance – June 23 at 5:00p.m. & 7:00p.m.

- ✓ Final Two P.A. Days – June 10 & 24
- ✓ Year End Field Trips:
 - Grades 6-8: Canada's Wonderland – Thursday, June 9
 - Primary & Junior Division: Camp Marydale – Monday, June 27- **we got a reduced rate and one bus paid for due to Mr. Messina's efforts**
Council will give \$5/student

8. School Communication Reminders:

- School Correspondence: Phone, Student Agenda Books, Notes
- School Website: Banner/Buzz Board/Tabs/cama (weekly e-mail up-date blitz)
- Monthly Calendar
- School E-mail - cama@hwcdsb.ca
- Protocols - Arrival at School, School Visits, Playground
- Appointment with Principal or Teaching Staff

4. Treasurer's Report:

CANADIAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
TREASURER REPORT
as of Tuesday, May 17, 2016 Meeting

Ending Balance as of April 19, 2016 \$ 5,021.13

DESCRIPTION	INCOME	DESCRIPTION	EXPENSES	PROFIT
Sale of Popcorn	\$ 105.00	Purchase of Kernel Popcorn	\$ 113.00	
Pasta Dinner Tickets (direct deposit on-line)	\$ 660.00	Pasta Dinner – items purchased	\$ 33.90	
Pasta Dinner tickets (cash)	\$ 180.00	Pasta Dinner – Roma Bakery	\$ 493.81	\$ 312.29
<i>Please Note:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toyota Grant Balance Remaining (incl.) \$42.69 • Xmas Store Profit 2015-2016 Balance Remaining (incl.): \$ 1,136.42 • Cake Raffle Profits – Robotics Team 		<i>Pasta Supper items purchased- expenses covered by Parent Involvement Grant Totalling: \$295.86</i>		
		<i>Upcoming Expenses:</i> <i>Grad Award</i> <i>Grad Yearbooks</i> <i>Year-end Trips - \$5.00 per student</i> <i>Play Day – Hot Dog Lunch</i>		
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 945.00	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 640.71	
Ending Balance as of May 17, 2016	\$ 5,966.13			

Made a small profit on the pasta dinner.

Can council help pay for laminating film? \$200-300- Vote: unanimous yes

Staff departure gifts- electronic vote later

5. Co-Chair Report:

- Voting May 16-June 3
 - Can we arrange to have a voting station at the kindness fair? Yes we will try to give kids the opportunity if they would like to vote. Will let parents know they will have this opportunity in note home.
 - We will hand out pamphlets in the neighbourhood to encourage voting- will divide up the region in question.
 - The emails etc... have gone out to spread the word and let people know how to vote.
 - Will send a simple sticker explaining the idea/process in agendas.
- End of year Trips- we will pay \$5/student to help with costs
- Playday: Will discuss this on-line and make decisions

72% adoption rate for cash on-line!

Query: Can we ban water bottles at Canadian Martyrs? Next year we will ask if any student needs a reusable water bottle and provide it and remind students frequently to use them.

Perhaps we should pay for and distribute a reusable water bottle next year?

6. Topic Selection for Future Meetings- Moving the last meeting from June 21 to **June 14 at 6:30** in the staff room so we can discuss end of year events

Playday- June 28

Staff leaving gifts

Staff luncheon- June 20

7. Closing Prayer: Mr. Messina