



Canadian Martyrs' Catholic School Council Minutes

Tuesday, November 25, 2014

In attendance: Lerida DeLuca Drosi, Jennifer Rutkowski, Cristina Tofano-Pasher, Amy Gillgrass, Sarah Dennison, Deb Tallevi, Melissa McGrath, Erin Horrill, Lina Cannella, Dolly Palin, Val Iantomasi, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Messina, Mrs. Traina, Katherine Cardwell, Claire Beauvais, Amelia Conz

Opening Prayer: Erin Horrill

Welcome and Introductions: All

Principal's Report: Mr. Messina

Bus Update: Friday, November 21. Bus #1 30 minutes late in arriving. New Bus protocol during inclement weather: After 10 minutes if no bus present, students to wait in gym, one staff to wait at fence, staff to communicate via walkie-talkies. HWCDSB winter rule "feels like -15C = indoor recess"

Learning with Faith Goal: The staff of Canadian Martyrs will work to enable students to integrate knowledge and Catholic doctrine across the curriculum in order to grow in faith and virtue, and to deepen their commitment to Christ in the Church.

Literacy Goal: The staff of Canadian Martyrs will work to foster the acquisition, understanding, and independent application of literacy competencies in all areas across the curriculum.

Numeracy Goal: The staff of Canadian Martyrs will provide a more intense focus on basic and multi-step operations in all five strands of numeracy, and work towards providing students with reinforced practice.

Pathways Goal: The staff of Canadian Martyrs will work to improve student achievement by guiding and supporting students through the Catholic Graduate Expectations, as they transition from year to year as life long learners.

Catholic Community, Culture and Service Goal: The staff of Canadian Martyrs will work to establish and foster equitable, inclusive, healthy, safe, and engaging school and classroom environments.

Student Enrolment/Staffing:

- Student enrollment 200 to-date
- Mr. Fletcher assigned as VP at St. Peter & Paul effective Monday

Liturgical Celebrations:

1. Grade 7 Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal – Saturday, November 29th, (10:00a.m.-1:30p.m./ 1:30p.m.-2:00p.m.)
2. Grade 7 Confirmation Commitment Mass – Sunday, November 30th, (4:00p.m.)
3. Grade 7 Confirmation – Saturday, December 6th (5:00p.m.)
4. Advent School Mass – Thursday, December 18th at 9:00a.m.

5. Advent Family Celebration at Church & Hall - Thursday, December 18th at 7:00 p.m. Social in church hall afterwards (arranged by staff).

Special Days/Events:

1. Liaison Officer Clarke *On-line & Social Media Awareness* Presentation to Grade 8 Class – Nov. 25. Plans to repeat for Grade 7 Class. Suggest Officer Clarke as guest for future parent council meeting.
2. Life Touch Re-take Picture Day – Thursday, November 27
3. Student of the Month Awards Assembly - Friday, November 28 (Theme: Peace Maker & Caring)
4. School Council Christmas Turkey Luncheon – Tuesday, December 16th
5. Student of the Month Award Assembly (Theme: Participation) – Thursday, December 18th

Extra-curricular

- 3 on 3 Hockey Tournament hosted by Cathedral High School at the Quad Wed., November 26th. Mr. Fletcher and parent Mr. Morgan coaching

School Council News:

- December 16th CSC Meeting Cancelled in lieu of Turkey luncheon preparations/clean-up/debrief

School Improvement Plan 2014-2015

- Final draft with focus on each of the 5 pillars,
- Superintendent Monitoring SIPSA visit – Nov. 13
- Posted on Website

Programs

- EQAO – Grade 3 & 6 beginning practice booklets/questions
- Integration of multiple choice into primary grades (grade 1, 2, 3)
- View New Layout of EQAO Assessment (3min. segment)
- Numeracy Classroom Tutor (Clarissa) for Grades 3 & 6 students (half day a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday)

Budget/Fundraising

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>PROFIT</u>
September, 2014 to November 2014			
Opening balance as of Sept 2014	\$1,653.86		
State Farm	\$500.00		
Parents Reaching Out Grant	\$1,000.00		
Mom-to-Mom Sale	\$88.75		
MacMillan Fundraiser	\$2,169.00	\$1,280.75	\$388.25
Purchase of Kernels Popcorn		\$126.53	
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Popcorn Sales	\$147.50		
Popcorn Sales	\$87.50		
Popcorn Sales	\$125.80		
Purchase of Snowblower		\$415.84	
Christmas Store Expenses		\$243.96	
Toyota Grant Total Remaining	\$1,062.94		
TOTAL	\$6,835.35	\$2,049.12	

Outdoor Classroom Update:

	Income	Expenses
Toyota Grant	\$2,000.00	\$1,191.42
Mrs. Cipolla Donation	\$1,000.00	\$140.00
		\$304.28
		301.36
Total	\$3,000.00	\$1,937.06
Balance Remaining	\$1,062.94	

- Report submitted to council from Mrs. MacIsaac
- Balance for this month: \$4,786.23
- Spring - Chocolate Bar Fundraiser: March 23 - April 7. Lots of great prizes to motivate our sellers.

Steps for Improvement

- Communication – Website/E-mail discussed as tools to deliver more immediate news rather than monthly newsletter. Website highlights include: banner, Buzz Board, subfolders (school, our catholic faith, athletics & groups). Encouraging all to enroll for email notification. Once you subscribe you will be entered in a draw for a chance to win a Starbuck's gift card
- Monthly divisional team meetings – Collaborative Inquiry
- Monthly staff meetings
- Monthly Catholic School Council Meetings

Co-Chair Report: Lina Cannella & Erin Horrill

Christmas Store:

- Thank you to all who helped wrap last week.
- Requesting donations for raffles. So far posters from Mr. Begin and Chocolate basket. Dolly to follow up with Linda H. re cookie nativity set
- Discussion re snack sales during store. Vote to agree to baked goods and trial with healthy snacks. Reindeer carrot sticks one suggestion.
- Need multiple volunteers if we decide to continue for 2015.
- Set up & decorating: December 8
- Christmas Store: December 9 & 10. Volunteers needed each day and to bake for sale.

Turkey Lunch: December 16.

- Much to prepare.
- 2 turkeys to be donated from Main Street West location
- All special guests have agreed to attend. ?need to increase turkey amount?
- Many volunteers needed. Assistance with shopping requested. Requesting intermediate students to assist with set-up.
- Mrs. Traina to discuss dessert options with allergy families and follow up with committee. (Last year Bear Paws were purchased for JK & SK students).

Samko Sale: November 27 - 30. Please tell your family & friends

- Group agreed to cancel December meeting due to large number of December events.

Lego Robotics Update: Mr. Fletcher

- Requesting School council support.
- No available private funding at this time.
- Motion brought forward for \$400 funding for Lego Robotics. Unanimous decision to support.

Meetings:

Remaining meetings for the year: January 20, February 17, March 24, April 21, May 19,
June 16

Closing Prayer: Erin Horrill