

## **St. Gregory CSAC – Meeting minutes**

### **Wednesday June 20, 2012**

Attendees: Daniela Balsamo, Frank Massari, Adam Grnak, Arlene Martin, John Shain, Gabrielle Benedek, Melanie Fernandez-Alvares, Luana Fanelli, Angie Severino, Debbie Birks, Anne Mishko, Nadine Lustri, Jack Giacco, Michael Olah, Vince Arone, Lisette Santos, Lori Tenuta, Maria Skinner, Jeanine Larmour, Natalie Semczyszyn and Tanya Giaquinto.

- 1) Welcome and opening prayer – Mr. Shain

#### Chair's Report – Adam Grnak

- 2) Update to meeting minutes from May 23, 2012 – The rotary system for grades 7 & 8 are for the English only students. History/Science/Geography will be included. There is a possibility that another 3 subjects will be added.
- 3) The Dance A thon netted over \$10K. Winners were Elle Leavoy, Stephen Pastor, Jaiden DaSilva, Mrs Marcello's JK AM class, Mrs. Steponaitis' grade 4 class and Mlle. Carniel's grade 7 class.
- 4) The BBQ Fun Night was a success. It was not a fundraiser, but still netted over \$4900.00.
- 5) The sacramental luncheon for grades 2 and 8 was held on June 15 2012.
- 6) The Grade 8 graduation will be on June 21, 2012. They will receive an engraved frame for their photos.
- 7) A community event to help maintain the green space/school yard is planned for June 29<sup>th</sup>. All volunteers are welcome.
- 8) The Curriculum night BBQ is planned for Sept 18, 2012. Teachers will remain in their own classrooms, and there will be 2 sessions as in the past. Exemplars of different grades of work will be made available for parents to see.
- 9) Kidessentials sent another cheque for \$646.25.
- 10) Advise CSAC that Mr. Shain is leaving St Gregs for a position with the board. We wish him all the best.

#### Principal's Report – Mr. Shain

- 11) The Track and Field team did very well. We had 100 students go to the first session and 67 to the second.
- 12) The entire school's photo was taken on May 30<sup>th</sup> in the yard.
- 13) Welcome to Kindergarten was May 31<sup>st</sup>, for students and parents.
- 14) EQAO and CAT4 tests were successfully completed.
- 15) There was a great turnout at the BBQ.
- 16) 150 students attended the sacramental luncheon (for grades 2 and 8). Father John spoke to the kids and Adam presented their gifts from CSAC.
- 17) The grade 8 graduation will take place on June 21<sup>st</sup>. They will have a luncheon and dance, and then mass at 7pm.
- 18) Sk Graduation will be on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- 19) The last school mass will be on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.
- 20) The students will be outside on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am to sing O Canada. The media is expected.

#### Treasurer's Report – Frank Massari

- 21) Presented the Interim Financial Statements from September 1, 2011 to June 18, 2012.

#### Health and Safety Subcommittee

- 22) The planned booklets on anaphylaxis and bullying are complete. They are going to be printed. Many thanks to Maria Skinner for all her hard work.

#### BRICKS Subcommittee

- 23) Foundation Builders winners and Student Recognition winners presented to CSAC.

#### Marathon Fundraiser

- 24) The soccer nets have been ordered and will be installed July 5, 2012
- 25) The final total for the fundraiser was \$16,509.00.
- 26) There will be a presentation at St. Paul's on June 26 at 9am.
- 27) A final slideshow will be presented to the students at the last assembly.

#### Air Conditioner Proposal

- 28) Due to the temperature concerns on the second and third floors it is proposed that we purchase portable a/c units for each third floor classroom. They are vented out the window and plug into the wall.
- 29) These units have been used successfully at other schools where they are run continuously.
- 30) They would cost about \$3600.00 which we have in the CSAC account.
- 31) The school board has advised that they will not provide a/c for the school.
- 32) CSAC will invite an electrician into the school to see if the circuits can handle this additional pull.
- 33) Open vote by CSAC to purchase 9 portable a/c units to be installed on the third floor. Ensuring this complies with CSAC bylaws and is okayed by and electrician. 11 member and 3 proxies are present. 13 for and 1 opposed.

#### Communication

- 34) Parent class reps are being suggested. These are volunteers who act as a communication intermediary between the teacher and the parents for one particular classroom.

35) A form for September inviting parents to join will be reviewed. Along with rules and guidelines for the process. (IE all communication must be okayed by the office).

Pastoral Council – Vince Arone

36) We will soon have some new priests joining Father John. Father John Uhusu from Ghana and another TBD from the archdiocese and Father Henry.

37) Engineers will be looking at the parking lot during the summer.

38) Coffee Sunday was well attended on Father's Day.

39) As of July 1<sup>st</sup> the new mass times will be Saturday at 5pm and Sunday 9am and 11am.

Misc Items

40) A suggestion to purchase a BBQ instead of renting. Motion to allocate \$3000.00 for a BBQ to be purchased over the summer from this year's budget. Motion Vince Arone, second Tanya Giaquinto. 8 yes and 1 opposed. Motion passed.

41) The cost of a bingo machine will be investigated over the summer as well.

8:55 pm meeting adjourned.