

## **St. Gregory Catholic School Advisory Council**

### **Minutes of meeting for Wednesday October 20, 2010.**

Attendees: Daniela Balsamo, Frank Massari, Adam Grnak, John Cassidy, Jackie Dansereau, Kathy Stafford, Christina Aukler, Rick Sarabia, Vita Peri, Michelle Niedbala, Jeanine Larmour, Anne Mishko, Vince Arone, Alex Coelho, Nadine Lustri.

7:05 Opening prayer, Mr. Cassidy

- 1) Change required to minutes of the Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Michelle Niedbala removed from 2010/2011 Health and Safety sub-committee. Motion to approve minutes with this change – Jackie Dansereau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeanine Larmour.

#### Chair's Report – Adam Grnak

- 2) Permits for the CSAC meetings must be obtained. Due to schedule difficulties Adam will apply for permits for Tuesday evenings. CSAC meets on the third Tuesday of the month and sub-committees are reserved for the first Tuesday of the month. CSAC – Nov16, Dec7, Jan19, Feb15, Apr19, May17 and Jun14. Sub-committees – Nov2, Jan4, Feb1, Apr5 and May3.
- 3) The Principal's report and the Treasurer's report will be postponed to next meeting to allow review of the budget.
- 4) Fundraising discussed before budget. Possible increase in pizza slice prices to be postponed until children try Panago Pizza who are offering us a better price per pizza. Trial set for Oct21st. If children prefer Pizza Nova then we will have to consider increasing the price. Also mentioned possible fundraising using the Kidssentials program we are already enrolled in. We are advised that the amount of work involved in using their fundraising procedure is too labour intensive for the amount of money we would earn. Jackie to speak to Kidssentials about possible grants or gift from the company as we are one of their largest customers.

#### Budget Sub-Committee – Michelle Niedbala

- 5) The budget sub-committee met on Oct 6<sup>th</sup>. See attached Budget. Motion to approve – Rick Sarabia, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vita Peri. Adam requests that there be a unanimous vote by council to approve. All those present agreed to accept the budget.
- 6) Notes on items in the budget. A) Council expenses are the coffee purchased for the Curriculum BBQ and Parent/Teacher Interviews. B) CSAC to fund one Scientist in the School per class this year. C) Library funds are to purchase the books used by the Book Club. D) Enrichment/Drama funds are going to a company called Big Kid Entertainment who put on two shows and then have the actors visit the classrooms to work with the children directly. This is booked for March. E) Community Building funds are to set aside to cover incidentals as these events are expected to break even or in some cases might be used to fundraise for a particular reason. F) The invoice for the LCD electrical connections might be covered by the school board. If this is the case then the funds will be directed to purchase science equipment for the school.

#### Pastoral Council – Vince Arone

- 7) The church is starting a fundraising initiative this year to replace the pews. This is a yearlong endeavour looking to raise over \$200,000.00.
- 8) Permit updates and details regarding the upcoming Public Information session will occur following the municipal elections on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### Other Items

- 9) Jackie advises that QSP earned over the initially projected \$8,000.00. Despite the increase in taxes this year (from 5% to 13% HST) we still netted \$10,300.00 profit for the school. It is also noted that internet orders are accepted throughout the year and will continue to earn us money.
- 10) New protocol for the CSAC meeting minutes: Once typed they are to be emailed to the whole committee for review. Once a majority approves them they are to be posted on the website for the community.
- 11) Nadine raises the question of a password required for access to anything beyond basic information about the school. Adam will contact our webmaster to look into the requirements for this.