

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

### **Minutes of meeting for Wednesday October 19, 2011.**

Attendees: Daniela Balsamo, Adam Grnak, Frank Massari, Anne Mishko, Nadine Lustrì, Marianne Williams, Jennifer Pyz, Phil Vokins, Jackie Dansereau, Edward Filippozzi, Jeanine Larmour, Jack Giacco, Steve Peters, Vito Vaccarelli, Lori Donato, Antonella Wild, Anna Iwasykiw, Tanya Giaquinto, Sarah Jacinto, Gina D'Alessandro, Luana Farelli, Pilar Perez de Chaves, Riccardo Agostino, Alessia Ribeiro Vince Arone, Angela Severino and John Shain.

7:00p.m. Welcome and opening prayer – Mr. Shain and parents.

- 1) Student Ben Bacic's presentation to CSAC about his trip to China with the Me to We organization. He needs to raise \$4245.00 through various fundraising initiatives. The students chosen will be going from July 3 to July 24. They are going to build a school and will work with a Shaolin monk orphanage.

#### Budget Sub-Committee – Nadine Lustrì

- 2) Presentation of the proposed budget as decided at the Oct 5<sup>th</sup> subcommittee meeting. The SLIP (School learning and improvement plan) used was from the last school year. This year's will be completed by the end of the month.
- 3) Teacher allocations are \$150 per full-time equivalent. Teachers to be advised that they now have a January deadline and any funds not used will be re-allocated by CSAC.
- 4) CSAC advised that some of the items on the budget are a result of direct requests from staff.
- 5) CSAC advised that some of the gym equipment is in need of upgrade. It is noted that St Greg's does host many tournaments.
- 6) The Arts are identified as a priority for parents this year. Any programs/wish list items not on the budget presented will have to be addressed by the fundraising committee.
- 7) A request to add another \$1500.00 to tech renewal will bring the closing cash balance down to \$1533.00.
- 8) Adam puts forward a motion for CSAC to accept the "St Greg CSAC 2011-12 Budget Oct 19". 13 in favour, 0 opposed. Motion passed.

#### Fundraising Sub-Committee – Angie Severino & Antonella Wild

- 9) The Mabel's Labels fundraiser to be extended again so as to coincide with the delivery of the Plain and Simple dress code items. Projected earnings are \$500.00. Motion Luana Fanelli – 2nded – passed.
- 10) Fundscrip is being planned again with a November launch. Projected earnings of \$3000.00 for a full year fundraiser. It is noted that offering on-line purchasing will increase participation and possible credit card use. We would lose 2% for the credit card purchases. Motion Tanya Giaquinto – 2nded – passed.
- 11) BBQ Fun Night is being planned for this year again. The suggestion was made to offer the interlocking stones for personalization again as some new families may be interested.
- 12) Other initiatives mentioned were a marathon fundraiser as well as a maple syrup fundraiser along with the B & A program.

#### Health & Safety Sub-Committee – Angie Severino & Tanya Giaquinto

- 13) Plans for Anti-bullying week include the slogan "Kindness, like a boomerang, always comes back." Skits planned have an emphasis on kindness as well as the anti-bullying message. The 10 virtues will be addressed throughout the week with teachers and student council members handing out boomerangs.

#### Other items

- 14) CPIC to meet on November 5<sup>th</sup> at the CEC. Full child care provided for ages 4 to 12. Breakfast and lunch offered.
- 15) Babysitting to be made available at CSAC meeting for parents who want to attend but cannot make arrangements. Info will be included in next newsletter and parent email.
- 16) CSAC members are asked to review minutes as soon as possible after receiving the email. Once they are approved they can be posted to the website. It is noted that minutes are not a verbatim record of the meetings, but a review of items discussed.

8:59 p.m. – meeting adjourned.