

**Minutes of Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC)**  
**MEETING OF THE 2008-2009 CSAC**  
**St. Louis Catholic School**  
**\*May 28, 2009\***

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	
Valerie Devine – Chair Ida Foisy – Co-Secretary	Rosanne Morris – Principal Connie Gemma – Treasurer
Mrs. DiCarlo – Teacher Representative Mr. Enzo LoFaso – Parent Representative Mrs. Maria Brooks – Parent Representative	Bernadette Aman- Co-Secretary
CSAC Members Absent: Claudette Piscione - Member-At-Large, Joanne Yano - Member-At-Large, Michelle LeBlanc - Member-At-Large; Oriana Bono-Member-At-Large , Connie Antonacci - Member-At-Large ,	

**Prayer – For Catholic Education**

O, Holy Spirit, source of truth and grace for those entrusted with the Christian development of children, enlighten our minds, strengthen our will, fill our hearts with generosity so that our homes, our parishes and our schools may co-operate effectively with You, and with one another in the mission of Catholic education. We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen

**Welcome and Introductions**

\* Ms. Devine welcomed all in attendance.

**Approval of the Minutes from April 23, 2009**

\* The Minutes from April 23, 2009 were approved and seconded.

**Principal’s Comments**

Thank You -

To all CSAC members for generous support this year of our school projects and needs:

- sports buses
- excursion buses
- First Communion and Confirmation
- Teacher Allowances
- SK and Grade 8 Graduation
- Enrichment Activities

- School Power Point Projector
- Ms Morris presented the treasurer with receipts for reimbursement for some of the above approved expenses

### **June Newsletter**

- will highlight updates on recent and upcoming school events:
  - great success of the students at Track and Field at Varsity
  - recent excursions to Tennessee for Destination Imagination
  - Gifted Program Trip to Queen’s University
  - RBC Economics of Staying in School presentations to our grade 8s with Ms Devine, and Ms Devine-Turiff
  - British Delegation visits the PAST Program tomorrow morning with the Ministry of Education
  - So much more...

### ***Fundraising Timeline from Past Years:***

1. Fall CSAC Fundraiser—Acorn Cards, Silent Auction
2. Spring CSAC Fundraiser—Dance-a-Thon near Valentine’s Day
3. Staff Guided Projects:
  - Purple Day in May—for Meagan’s Walk
  - ADVENT Global Outreach—Project Harambee, Brick by Brick for Kenya, Bed Kits, O Happy Day!—this year in Lent
  - LENTEN Local Outreach—Ernestine’s Women’s Shelter, Megan’s Journey—this year during

### **Fundraising Discussed and Approved for 2009/2010 School Year:**

Fall (September) – Acorn Cards  
 Early November – Chocolate  
 Advent – December (Liturgical - teacher run)  
 Feb. – Valentine’s Dance  
 Lent – April (Liturgical - teacher run)  
 Megan’s Journey

## Treasurer's Report

- \$3,000 GIC is available for next year's council.
- CSAC has had an unexpected expenditure of \$146 for a tent. This money had not been previously committed, however as it was spent by the school to buy a tent for outdoor sports activities, CSAC will pay for the tent. This means that the CSAC account is in the red by \$126.00.
- We did release the Dance-a-thon funds for a pizza lunch and water, totaling \$150.00. We also released \$98.00, of the \$150.00 for the Confirmation refreshments. We are awaiting the receipt for \$52 from the St. Leo's CSAC Chair, before we pay this amount to St. Leo's CSAC.
- We agreed to commit funds for Play Day. The money was to be used for refreshments. I thought we spent between \$50.00 to \$75.00 last year but when I checked the books, we actually spent \$110.00. Please approve if this revised amount is acceptable. This amount has been approved by Valerie Devine.

## CSAC Chair's Comments

\* We will have a Meet The Teacher – Curriculum Night and also have a BBQ (perhaps from European Meats) to encourage parents to attend school functions – This will be on September 17, 2009, 6:00 pm for the BBQ and then 7:00 pm in the Gym for a short 15 minute presentation. At 7:15 pm, parents will be invited to go to their child's classroom and speak to the teachers. The remaining funds from the PRO Grant will be used for this evening – to increase parental involvement. (\$798 - \$200.05 (Vikki King + Munchies) - \$280 (Kindergarten Night) = \$317.95)

\* School may have a Monte Carlo night – still in discussions.

## New Business

\* Play Day will be on June 22, 2009 – We will have (250 bottles) water and (250) freezies for the children. No ribbons will be bought. Left-over ribbons from last year will be handed out to participants.

\* **Dates for CSAC Meetings for 2009/2010 Year – Please schedule into your calendars**

- \* September 24, 2009
- \* October 22, 2009
- \* November 26, 2009
- \* January 21, 2010
- \* February 25, 2010
- \* April 22, 2010
- \* May 27, 2010

## Adjournment

\* Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.