

Minutes of Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC)
MEETING OF THE 2008-2009 CSAC
St. Louis Catholic School
November 20, 2008

ATTENDEES	
Valerie Devine – Chair	Oriana Bono - Member-At-Large
Ida Foisy – Co-Secretary	Connie Antonacci - Member-At-Large
Bernadette Aman- Co-Secretary	Claudette Piscione - Member-At-Large
Connie Gemma – Treasurer	
	Fernando Campese – Parent
Rosanne Morris – Principal	Enzo LoFaso – Parent
CSAC Members Absent: Joanne Yano - Member-At-Large, Michelle LeBlanc - 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 June 2008

* The Minutes from October 23, 2008 approved and seconded.

Principal’s Comments

- * A review of the school calendar and enrichment activities – November 30, Advent Project begins, Local Outreach Program, 1 can of food for Christmas Pageant on December 11 (JK to Grade 6)(First Huron Christmas),
- * Silent Auction – note of thanks to Mrs. Piscione.
- * Acorn Cards- note of thanks to Mrs. Devine.
- * Banking Audit – note of thanks to Ms. Gemma for an excellent job on the audit.

- * At the last meeting, AV equipment was discussed and the board will review options.
- * Fundraising Time Line:
 - Fall – Acorn Cards
 - Advent – Local Outreach – Staff Guided
 - Christmas – Silent Auction
 - Lenten – Global – Me to We Experience (Mark Cousineau and Mrs. Wiley to discuss Kenya)
 - Purple Day – Staff Guided
- * Many staff attended in-services.

CSAC Chair's Comments

- * Ms. Burke sent CSAC a Thank You Card for gift received.
- * A suggestion was made that we could ask parents for donations toward school activities as this is something that a local high school is doing. We could send letter outlining procedure with report cards.
- * A special thank you to Mrs. Senatore for taking the time to teach students how to knit.

Old Business

- * PRO Grant application was filed to get two Wellness Presentations at our school - in an attempt to increase parental involvement in our CSAC activities.
- * Acorn Cards - Profit made was \$577.33 to go towards children's activities.
- * Lunch Lady has received many positive comments. We will try for two more months until February. Just a reminder that if your child has a trip on Wednesday, please cancel your child's lunch by calling or online.
- * Silent Auction – Various items have been collected

New Business

- * 100th Anniversary of St. Leo's was well attended by past priests and all of them gave their best wishes to the school community. There will be a date in 2009 for a 100th Anniversary Celebration for the St. Louis community.
- * Children have been invited to serve as altar servers at St. Leo's Church. Contact the church directly if your child is interested.

Treasurer's Report

- * \$3,000 GIC is available for next year's council.
- * CSAC committed the following:
 - * \$200.00 for the Grade 8 and SK Graduations.
 - * \$200.00 for First Communion and Confirmation.
 - * \$50.00 for the Dance-a-thon prize and \$100.00 for the pizza lunch for the class which raises the most money.
 - * To give each teacher an allowance of \$100.00. Our total commitment is \$1,250.00 for this school year.
 - * \$3,600.00 for buses.
 - * Pay up to \$200.00 for shared sports buses.

Dates for CSAC Meetings

- * January 15, 2009
- * February 19, 2009
- * April 23, 2009
- * May 28, 2009
- * June 2009 (to be determined)

Adjournment

- * Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.