



**STS. COSMAS & DAMIAN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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**CSAC – Meeting Minutes
May 28th, 2008
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Present – Rose Polifroni-Ficara, Donna Bonanno, Margherita Esposito-Perrella, Joe Pisani, Felicia Manocchio, Sara Maltese, Ms. Bernardi, Silvana Casa, Sabrina Aversa-Ginevra, Lina Sconza and Tony Dias.

Absent – Eva D’Andrea, Domenic Fragale, Linda Silva

Treasurer’s Report – 2007-08 School Year Budget update and reconciliation of CSAC account presented (as at May 28/2008). Balance as of May 28th, 2008 was \$8,821.47.

Some expenses in 2007/08 budget had not been incurred (\$6,474 to be spent; \$9,017 spent – 15475 Budget).

CSAC was to receive \$4390 from TCDSB from parental contributions.

Thus, \$8,821 Balance + \$4,390 coming from TCDSB - \$6,474 to be spent from CSAC budget = an end of year balance of approximately \$6,000.

Note: Parents can make donations to schools and CSACs through TCDSB’s website.

Principal’s Report – Ms. Bernardi provided an update of on-going and upcoming events at Sts. Cosmas & Damian, it included:

- Eco School Team (Ms. Manocchio & two students present at CSAC meeting) – Gold Certification was obtained.
 - 10 Sts. C&D students provided overview to judges; with Q&A’s
 - Presentation was made at TCDSB board office
 - \$120 was obtained for Sts. C&D butterfly garden
- April 25th, 2008 PA Day – Staff had Reflection Day @ St. Gabriel’s (only certified ECO-Church)
- 3 person panel will judge speech/public speaking contest
 - Awards will be provided to participants
- Indigo Night \$1,400 was spent by parents; we got 15% or ~ \$210
- Music Monday – outside concert in May
- Music Night with Jack Grunsky for Grades 1-4 parents
- Final Rosary celebration has taken place
- Grandparent celebration was held on April 29th, 2008
 - A celebration for mothers and fathers will be held on May 16 and June 16



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- Aerial shot of school done again
- Summer camp by TCDSB got cancelled
- Presentation on Bugs without Boarders was held – K's
- OFIP days have taken place
- EQAO tests up and coming
- Survey to parents of grade 2-5 students re: uniforms in schools to take place
 - Initial consultations
- Grade 8 trip to Ottawa – students left on May 28th, 2008
- Lunch time supervisor is back & healthy
- Track meet has taken place but some of our students were leaving for Ottawa and did not participate
- May 29th, 2008 – Parenting Workshop at Blessed Mother Teresa (7-9pm)
- Join the Dance (Ballroom Dancing) we are on to the finals – to take place on June 23
 - Sts. C&D will participate again in 2008-09
 - Sts. C&D will look to fundraise to cover some of the costs
- TCDSB Trustee Issues – Special Advisor Norbert Hartmann has released his report re: TCDSB Trustees
- Final Mass of the year will also be a “Thank you Mass for Volunteers”
 - CSAC reviewed its letter to volunteers
 - It will be held on June 24th, 2008 @ 1:30pm
- Sts. C&D got \$70 for Parent Involvement initiatives
 - It will be used for expenses at Annual Sts. C&D BBQ
- CSAC will do a flyer for Annual Sts. C&D BBQ

Sub-Committees – The following were discussed and/or agreed to:

- *Budget* – as per Treasurer's report (1st item of the day)
- *Safe Schools*
 - Gate Closure issue – waiting to hear from 13th Division
 - try to secure presence of 13th Division “Community Safety” Officer at curriculum night.
- *Social/Spiritual Sub-Committee*
 - Annual Sts. C&D BBQ
 - Equipment rented
 - Food warmers rented
 - CSAC staff will run the BBQ
 - Hamburgers not recommended as they require longer to prepare
 - Lady York will donate everything except sausages (\$300), including water



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- Other attendees: Toronto Fire Dept; working on getting Vintage Police Car and EMS; Ice cream truck
 - CSAC members will get ice and prepare garbage and recycling stations/bins; purchase freezes at COSTCO and freeze them by Friday
 - Prices:
 - Hot dogs - \$2.50
 - Sausage - \$3.50
 - Pop/Water - \$1.00
 - DJ will be available
 - CSAC will look into Jumping Castles – if permitted
 - 50/50 draw will be held; face/finger painting, tattoos and bubbles will be available.

2008/09 CSAC Elections – September 23rd, 2008