



**STS. COSMAS & DAMIAN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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**CSAC – Meeting Minutes
November 19th, 2008
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Present – Donna Bonanno, Lisa DeMaria, Rose Polifroni-Ficara, Lisa McDonald, Lina Sconza, Joe Pisani, Ms. Bernardi, Ms. C Jaramillo, Ms. M. Boticelli, Domenic Scali, Ms. C. DellaPia, Mary Maudsley, Margaret Esposito-Perrella, Sabrina Aversa-Ginevro, Silvana Casa and Tony Dias.

Regretss - Domenic Fragale, Eva D’Andrea, Marisa Mammoliti.

Treasurer’s Report – 2008-09 School Year Budget was reviewed, and reconciliation of CSAC account presented. Balance as of end of October, 2008 was \$13,209 (\$12,385 on attached reconciliation statement + approximately \$908 from Dance-a-thon).

2008-09 CSAC budget was reviewed (see enclosed handouts)

- Allocation - \$22,975
- Actual Expenditures to date - \$1,440
- Balance (underspending) - \$21,534.91 (including School Sign – to be discussed in January CSAC meeting)

Principal’s Report – Ms. Bernardi report included:

- Safe Schools Committee at Sts. C&D – includes staff, caretaker and CSAC reps are Lisa McDonald and M. Esposito-Perrella
- CPIC (Cath. Parent Involvement Committee) will meet on December 9th, 2008 from 7-8pm at Cath. Ed. Centre (880 Sheppard Ave.).
 - Looking for representatives from each ward
 - Each CSAC will get 1 vote
 - Donna B. & Lisa McDonald to attend
- Intermediate Boys & Girls teams took part in the Volleyball tournament – enjoyed participating
- Anaphylactic training took place for staff (1of 2 for the year)
- Family Literacy package for Grade 1 is now available
- Vision Clinic for Deaf Hard of Hearing students was held for Sts. C&D students
- 1st Prologue Presentations was held on November 19, 2008-Things My Fore Sisters Saw
- Sts. C&D TLCP lead teachers participated in family of school’s meeting for area 5 last week
- ECO Update:
 - Wednesday morning trivia held
 - Presentation by Earth Rangers next week
 - Sts. C&D Eco Team won a “Green Prize Pack” from Canadian Tire
 - Green pack; lights; trees for school yard included



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- Capital Development Dep't of TCDSB has scheduled a meeting with landscaping company who will do renovations at Sts. C&D.
- Photos with Santa will be held on November 28, 2008 in the morning
- Guidance Department - presentation on cyber bullying for intermediate teachers
- School gym has been decorated with a large mural
- Fundscrip
 - Gift Cards for grocery chains are selling well; other items not nearly as popular
 - School has purchased gift cards that will be available to school community (e.g. Christmas gifts)
 - Gift Cards will be sold at Parent-Teacher Interviews
 - CSAC members were asked to share this information with family and friends
 - Discussion re: packaging these cards in a holiday "sleeve"
- CSAC will watch "lock-down DVD"; Toronto Police Dep't was invited to attend, but could not make it.
- Discussion re: lock DVD
 - Minimum 2 lock-down drills to be held in 2008-09
 - Binder with instructions are in place in each classroom
 - A map is place at each entrance/exit to facilitate Police work

Other Discussion Items:

- Dance-a-thon was very successful
 - Financially – result in a profit of over \$6,000
 - Any donations of over \$25 will be issued a tax receipt by TCDSB
- Lunch Offer by Lunch Lady
 - discussion was held
 - declined due to: ecological impact of packaging; would compete with Pizza lunches, which may impact Pizza sales
- Communications Committee
 - CSAC Newsletter was presented and reviewed
- Holiday Fundraiser
 - Discussion re: Poinsetta sale – declined due to lack of price competitiveness with large retailers (high cost/low profit margin)
- Community Mass will be held on December 15, 2008
 - Church Hall has been booked for after mass event
 - CSAC to provide drinks and snacks
 - Cookie Sales
 - Eva to share information with CSAC by email
 - Cookies will be made available at Community Mass
- Christmas Shoe Box Initiative
 - Ms. Bernardi will look into initiative
 - Time permitting – Sts. C&D will participate
- Pizza lunches
 - Some issues with dispensing – size of pre-cut slices



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- Sales going well
 - Form for 2009 will go out early in January 2009
 - Health & Safety
 - Parking at back of school (Viewmount) before and after school is very busy and dangerous as children are making their way in and out of school
 - There are hills on school property that are dangerous with snow and frozen
 - Concerns raised that teachers are not visible on yard duty in the morning
 - 5 staff on duty – 1 North-end; 1 East-end; 3 bus-duty on South-West Corner

Next Meetings:

- January 28th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
- February 24th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.