



**St. Mary of the Angels
Catholic School Advisory Council**

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September 28, 2015 AGM Meeting Minutes

End of year Catholic School Parent Council 2014/15 Meeting - Preceding Elections

CSPC Meeting Attendees:

Executive: Paul Matos (Chair), Cindy Matos (Treasurer), Dora Simoes-Pereira (Secretary),

Members at Large: Gabriela Torres, Gina Perreira, Nancy Teves, Silvia Mendonca, Olivia Almeida and Lina Gikas.

Staff/Admin: Colleen Pontello (Principal), Alice Tamburro (Teaching Staff), Filomena Silva (Support Staff)

Meeting Commenced at: 6:30 p.m.

Opening Prayer:

By Paul Matos

Meeting Minutes Approval:

The minutes of June 15, 2015 were approved as circulated.

Chair:

- Chair welcomed new principal and everyone in attendance.
- Reviewed previous year's CSPC activities
 - 100th Anniversary Family Carnival
- Presented the Annual Financial Statement – see attached.

Principal:

- Principal introduced herself to Parent Council.

CSPC Elections 2015

CSPC Elected Members:

- Paul Matos, Chair, re-elected
- Olivia Almeida, Treasurer, new member
- Cindy Matos, Secretary, returning member
- Lina Gikas, OAPC Rep, new member
- Gina Perreira, Voting member, new member
- Nancy Teves, Voting member, new member
- Silvia Mendonca, Voting member, new member

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Chair's Report:

- Presented school funds allocation
 - Fans for school – 14 fans were purchased, total cost \$695.92
 - Curriculum enhancement – Scientists in School – \$1750.00
 - Classroom funds - \$2200.00
- Announced the Board's Safe Schools Committee is seeking members
- Presented possible fundraiser initiatives – to be discussed further at next meeting. For initial discussion, council members to research fundraising using Oliver's Labels, and Mable Labels. CSPC members to provide updates to Council at next meeting.

Principals Report:

- Classroom reorganization established and finalized.
- Visit to the school from Portuguese Author Alice Vieira and a representative from Portuguese Consulate who donated Portuguese books for the school library.
- Curriculum Night Wednesday Sept. 30, 2015; evening to be initiated with an assembly and then curriculum review by teachers in their classrooms.
- Me to We presentation Wednesday Sept 30, 2015.
- Terry Fox Thursday Oct. 1, 2015; minimum \$2 donation requested. JK-Gr3 will run in school yard and Gr 4 to 8 will be running around the school vicinity.
- School Mass Friday Oct. 2, 2015; Mass to be held at St. Mary of the Angels church and will be hosted by St. Bruno Catholic School.
- Fire drills; 3 drills to be held per term. First fire drill held on Sept. 25, 2015 with great success, only took 3 minutes to evacuate the school.
- Lock down drills; 2 held per school year - one in the fall and one in the spring.
- Police presentations on safety were held at the school on Wednesday Oct. 14, 2015.
- Picture day on Wednesday Oct. 21, 2015.
- Elaborated on fundraising material received by different organizations.
- Pizza Day (No Worry Wednesdays) – To be run by school staff every other Wednesday and funds to be allocated to the school.

New Business:

- Dress Code; council voted to add navy blue tops as an option for students. Information to be shared with family during Curriculum night and via the school's newsletter.
- Hot lunches were discussed as an option in addition to the Pizza Days. Council members to further research the Lunch Lady, Subway and Pita Pit. CSPC members will review findings and further discuss options at next meeting.
- Last year's Family Carnival was a success. The Parent Council wants to keep it as an annual event. June 4, 2016 was discussed as a possible date.

Subsequent CSPC Meeting Dates for 2015/2016 School Year:

- October 28, 2015
- November 25, 2015
- January 27, 2016
- February 24, 2016
- April 20, 2016
- May 25, 2016
- June 15, 2016

Next Meeting:

October 28, 2015 at 6:15 p.m. in the school's library.

Adjournment

8:15 p.m.