

Sacred Heart Catholic School Council

Date: Thursday November 19, 2015
Room: School Library
Attendees: Mrs Ssemanda (Prinicpal); Lisa Almonte (Secretary); Ann Marie Melo (Chair); Marie Victoria Uy (Treasurer)
 Mrs. Cristante (Teacher Rep); Miss Martins (Staff Rep); Mr Hubbard (Parish Rep); Silvia Fischer; Amanda Shelley; Nadine Stacey Hamilton; Karen Geddes; Karen Sciore

Topic	Discussion	Action
Guest Speaker	Fundraising	bring ideas to table- committee votes
Teresa Hartnett		can form sub- committee
	General Protocol	all conversations should be at the table- not outside the room
		put the tables together- gather around- not broken out in small grps.
		communication- emails/texts- should include all if they are required
	Agenda	agenda should be set prior to meeting-with set times
		any topic running over- committee agrees to defer to next mtg
		or continue
		establish date when agenda items are due prior to next meeting
		example 1 week prior
	Council	should be about our children
		all discussions should be at the table-not outside of mtg
		in smaller groups
Parish Rep	Parish Fundraiser	Special Fundraiser Dinner as the Parish Hall - Sat Nov 21st
Mr Hubbard		doors open 5:30pm, dinner at 6:00pm
		Tickets \$15.00 per adult, \$7.50 per child
		Family \$40.00
		profits will go towards the Sound System

		120 tickets avail/100 currently sold
		raffle prizes
	Year of Divine Mercy	starting in December
		Special Poster already hung in Parish
		Sacred Heart has been chosen as one of the Pilgrim Churches
	Kids for Church (KFC)	begins at 9am Sundays
		Fr. Saju leads the children through prayers
		teaching parts of mass/Saints
		assisted by the Choir Master
Chair's Report	Last month's minutes	approved
Ann Marie Melo		
	New Council	welcome
	Meet and Greet Teacher BBQ	well represented
		BBQ was catered; some families did not receive what they ordered
		Parents want an open house atmosphere- see their child's
		classroom- meet teacher
		Many teachers were assisting with BBQ- not available to parents
	Fundraising	1st Fundraiser- Vessey's Bulbs
		raised over \$2000.00, our profit approx \$1000.00
	Ministry Grant	should go towards Guest Speaker
		deferred to next meeting
	Parent Conference	attended at Bishop Ryan HighSchool November 7th
	Christmas Activities	Advent Season
		December 3 begin in Parish- Fr Saju will

		lead prayer liturgy and lighting of the Advent Candle
		after- families will gather in school gym for an Advent craft
		and refreshments- provided by Parent Council
Teacher Rep	Staff Wish List- funds from fundraising	projector screen- for gymnasium
Mrs. Crisante		speakers- for whiteboards in classroom
School Nurse	HAT- Healthy Action Team	here once a week-typically Thursday for 1/2 day in AM
Shannon Collerman		work for City Of Hamilton - Health Dept.
		promoting healthy schools - youth engagement
		Healthy Eating & Literacy
		assistance from grade 6-8 students- leadership role
		1st meeting - next week
		Foundation of Healthy School
		include in curriculum/support teachers
		Shannon.Collerman@Hamilton.ca
		905-973-4493
Principals Report	Faith	Reconciliation Date- Wed. Nov 25, 2015
Mrs. Ssemenda		Family Advent Evening- Thurs. Dec 3, 2015
		will begin in church with a prayer liturgy led by Fr. Saju
		and lighting of the Advent Candle
		Advent Craft and refreshments will follow in the school
		gymnasium- provided by Parent Council
	Monthly Assembly Awards	December 16, 2015 @1pm in school gym
		will also be singing Christmas carols- parents welcome
	EQAO Results	Grade 3- 15 students participated
		reading 61%; writing 72%; mathematics 48%
		mathematics numbers fell provincial wide
		Our FOCUS will is NUMERACY

		Grade 6- 11 students participated
		reading 85%; writing 75%; mathematics 60%
	Tutors	total of 7 Tutors will be volunteering at Sacred Heart
		6 from Neighbour to Neighbour Centre- will work with students in
		grades 1&2 -starting next week- Reading
		Tutors- Math and Literacy - assistance for students in Grades
		3 & 6 - will work with students for 6-8 weeks
		Mr. Jim Daly former Director in our board- tutors Grade 7 & 8
	Homework Club	will be restructured with a new model- will keep you posted
	Technology	white boards and LCD projectors have all been installed
		goal is to be functioning by next week.
		Board has provided us with 20 new IPADs; school total is now
		30 IPADs. 18 for intermediates; Junior and 2 Primary classes
		will have 4 each to use in their classrooms daily.
	Musical Instruments	set of Xylophones and Tamborines
		provided to enrich our Arts Program
	Curriculum Supports	Mr. George Lamparski advised Mrs. Ssemanda about the
		Charity for Hope; after discussing our schools needs
		Mrs. Marcanti - visited our school-assessed our needs- we were
		granted \$4000.00 to use towards our students
		Tandia Credit Union on Up. Wentworth- they donated \$1500.00
		to our school.
		they will also teach our intermediate students about financial
		literacy- just need to pick a date.
		They also volunteer every other Wednesday with our Breakfast

		Program and will be volunteering to read with our students.
	Groove A Thon Fundraiser	held October 30th
		we fundraised just over \$2000.00.
		3 students received gift certificates 1. \$50.00; 2. \$35.00; 3. \$25.00
		Principal for the day was Samantha Paglia
	Trips	FDK- Pumpkin Patch
		Grades 1 to 3- Battle Field House- December 3, 2015
		Grade 5- went to Camp Marydale
		Grades 6 to 8- Burlington Performing Art
	New Staff	2 new Teachers
		Miss Townsend- teaching grades 1-3 Science, Health and Phy Ed
		and Phy Ed to Miss Bozzo's FDK class
		Miss Oliveira - teaching French to grades 4-8 as well as Py ED to
		Miss Donahoe's FDK Class.
		EA- Mrs. Jabora who is working with Sadie.
		Mr. Mandula is off sick- keep him in your prayers
	Multi Year Strategic Plan 2015-2018	documents provided-read through
		Council members to provide input by December 18, 2015
Fundraising Ideas	Fundraising for 2015-2016	
	Vessey's Seeds/Bulbs	held September 15-October 15
	Selling Poinsettias	council voted NO
		did not want to have this as our 2nd fundraiser for the year
		others felt it was too soon to Christmas to have another

		fundraiser
	Family Night	Stacey recommended - movie night
		this would require a permit to show the movie- too much \$\$\$
		suggested board games instead
Treasurer		
Marie Victoria Uy		current balance is \$3521.96- includes \$1000.00 grant
Mrs. Shelley	People of Education Conference	www.peoplefor education.ca
		independent organization working to support public education
		in Ontario's English, Catholic and French schools.
		also provided a copy of the Address that was given by
		Mrs Liz Sandals-Minister of Education. Topics addressed were:
		how to use technology effectively
		child care
		aboriginal affairs- will be standard
		90% attend publicly funded education
	Fundraising	is not part of our missions statement for council
		we can bring forth ideas to be presented; however
		Mrs. Ssemanda as final say.
		fundraising ideas should align with our School's Improvement Plan
		establish a plan-prepare a budget-communicate -utilize social media
	Ministry Grant	defer to next meeting- need to choose a guest speaker
	Agenda Items	discussions should be only be taking place at coucil table if it effects
		most of the school population- not just 1 or 2 particular children
	Committee Members	we are all volunteers- show respect to all
	Student Engagement	mentorship- reading buddies - literacy
		engaging our childrens - helps them to become better citizens

Closing	Next Meeting	Thursday January 7, 2016 @6:30pm

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