

Mary Ward Catholic School Advisory Council Meeting

October 28, 2008

Attendance:

Terry Pastore Chair	Dennis Hastings Vice Chair	Jerry Joseph Treasurer
Angie Cornacchia Secretary	Alemeshet Banjaw Council	Fouad Chalabi Council
Cecilia Coutinho Council	Jude Coutinho Council	Lisa DiGaetano Council
Andrew Farinha Council	Ermina Lumia Council	Marian Robertson Council
Alfredo Andrenacci Community Rep.	Bob Robertson Community Rep.	Jennifer King School Constable
Carmela Giardini Principal	Andrea Magee Vice Principal	Santo Visconti Vice Principal
Student Council		

Regrets: Jennifer King and Student Council

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Terry Pastore at 7:35 p.m. Copies of the agenda were circulated. Terry called upon Halpern's as they had to leave. Halpern's Representative - Vindhya Rathore and associate Yvonne todiscuss uniform recall. Pilling on the navy blue Gulf Shirts started June 1st/08. They intend to replace every shirt starting January 15th/09. Notification already sent to parents, but will be sent again in the Newsletter.

Opening Prayer: Was offered by Santo Visconti.

Student Council Report: The student representative was not available for the meeting, so no report was made.

Welcome: Terry Pastore started introduction of the CSAC council members and each member introduced themselves.

Agenda: Review to subtract or add details. To have it sent to members at least a week prior to the meeting. Terry Pastore motioned and Fouad Chalabi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Previous Minutes: No minutes were recorded, not a regular meeting.

Chairs Report: Presented by Terry Pastore.

The goal of CSAC for students is not about fundraising its all about community - not what we sell its what we give.

1. Provide a newsletter to parents every six weeks.
2. Develop a CSAC website linked from Mary Ward website.
3. Have a presence at appropriate school events.
4. Provide a steady stream of information to our parents.
5. Conduct computer training session for parents who are inexperienced in basic email and internet skills, so that they can communicate with out teachers and administration. They can also access available resources offered on internet websites which may be helpful to them in supporting their child's education.
6. CPIC sessions for ministry.

CSAC outreach to the Mary Ward Student Council – how can we help?

The new TCDSB parent/CSAC support staff, Frank Piddisi and Charlotte Aganna.

Follow up with the Minister regarding second visit to Mary Ward.

Thank you Marian Robertson for completing the grant for PRO, \$1000.00 funded for 2 years.

The E-News sent every week.

Upcoming Grade 8 information evening on November 11th.

TAPCE conference for CSAC members November 1st.

Principal's Report: Presented by Carmela Giardini. Report Attached.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Jerry Joseph. Report Attached.

Jerry was addressed by CSAC on the Smart Board for Math Dept., and the \$600.00 was removed. Bob Roberston seconded the motion, motion carried. Motion was carried for the Funding Schedule. Terry Pastore motioned for \$40.00 from the Chair's Discretionary Fund for coffee at CSAC meetings. Motion to bring own coffee, Lisa DiGaetano seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Establish Committees: Presented by Terry Pastore.

Special Education Committee - to help out is Alfredo and Lidia.

“Go Green” iniatives at the TCDSB, some funding.

Newsletter - To be sent December, April and June.

Safe School Committee - Terry Pastore is on Board, will supply information.
Events Coordination Team - Lisa and Urmina heading this up.

Adjournment: Terry Pastore motioned to adjourn meeting. Bob Roberston seconded the motion. The meeting was therefore adjourned at 9:35 p.m.