

Mary Ward Catholic School

Advisory Council Meeting

April 20, 2010

Attendance:

Dennis Hastings Chair	Annie Cheung Treasurer	Angie Cornacchia Secretary
Lisa DiGaetano Council	Andrew Farinha Council	Erminia Lumia Council
Marian Robertson Council	Lidia Kairska Council	Nancy Gregorio Council
Bob Robertson Community Rep.	Patricia Coburn Principal	Rhea Rebello Student Rep.
Pierre Cuschieri Staff Rep.		

Regrets: Terry Pastore, Anita Atri, Diane Roach, Alfredo Andrenacci, Violet Keenan, Derek Chen

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Patricia Coburn.

Opening Prayer: Was offered by Patricia Coburn.

Welcome: Patricia Coburn welcomed everyone that attended.

Student Council Report: Prepared by Rhea Rebello.

- SAC (Student Activity Council) is having a Movie Night on April 22nd, featuring Sherlock Holmes.
- Student Council Elections start the week of May 17th, and Election Day is May 21st.
- SAC is holding the annual Barbeque on May 27th.

Teacher Representative Report: Prepared by Pierre Cuschieri, along with 2 students, Albert and Justin.

Requesting a proposal for the next school year 2010/2011 on starting a **Student Emergency Response Team**.

I have been a teacher at Mary Ward for the past ten years. Having been on a similar response team at McMaster University, a Lifeguard Supervisor, Medic with the Reserves, and First Aid Instructor with the Hamilton Red Cross, I feel confident in leading a similar student team at this school

The response team would consist of about 6-8 mature and responsible grade 9 and 10 students who already possess a CPR certificate. My goal would be to have the selected groups get certified in First Aid, after which they would be able to respond to emergencies during the school day and some after-school home games. The plan is to have students sign up in pairs for set days during the week and to be on call during their assigned day. Each student on-call would wear an identifiable medic shirt and carry a radio and First-aid kit. Should an incident on school grounds occur, the office secretary would dispatch the students on duty by radio. I also would monitor any happenings via radio, and overlook emergencies.

I am hoping to purchase 5 First Aid Kits (\$20 ea.), 8 custom shirts for students (\$30 ea.), and 4 radio sets (\$80 ea.). Some of the prices were obtained through materials management department at our school board. The total cost may turn out to be about \$700.00.

I realize this cost is high but our team would appreciate any amount that your council can provide. We promise to use the funds carefully, and provide full details on all the purchases made.

Agenda: Patricia Coburn asks for a motion to approve the agenda Erminia Lumia motioned to approve the agenda and Lisa DiGaetano seconded the motion. Motion passed.

February 23rd Minutes: Patricia Coburn asks for motion to approve the minutes. Erminia Lumia motioned to approve the minutes and Lisa DiGaetano seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Principal's Report: Prepared by Patricia Coburn. Report Attached. The Ministry of Food and Beverage is implementing a Food and Beverage Policy to come into effect September 2011 for schools to follow. It is a very strict policy on the intake of Fat, Sugar and Salt. There will be 10 school days that will be exempt. Every school will be given \$150.00 to promote this.

Chair's Report: Prepared by Dennis Hastings.

- The Pro Grant deadline for next year is September 30th, more info to follow.
- Following up with Father George, it is Father Dave that does the masses at the school. I will send the minutes to Father George to keep him updated.
- John Del Grande will also receive the minutes.
- Tool Kits - looking to see if the Calendars can be translated into different languages. We have added Andrew Farinha to the volunteer list to help with the Tool kits. More information on the different languages to follow.
- CSAC Mary Ward email access. Any members interested in having a hand in this can contact me.
- May 18th is the CSAC Dinner. Information to members will follow by email by Angie Cornacchia on time and place.

Treasurer's Report: Prepared by Annie Cheung-Chu. Report Attached. A correction has been made towards the Principal's Discretionary Fund. The Budget should be at \$500.00 not \$200.00. Dennis Hasting motioned for the correction, Erminia Lumia motioned the correction and Lisa DiGaetano seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Adjournment: Patricia Coburn motions to adjourn the meeting. Angie Cornacchia seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.