
**ST. MARGARET MARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2014 AT 6:30PM**

Eternal Father,

You entrusted St. Margaret Mary with the grace to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Help us embrace the love of Christ by following Saint Margaret Mary's loving example.

Guide us along the right path and bless us as we seek to unite ourselves to you in all our thoughts, our words and our actions.

May we like Saint Margaret Mary, always find lasting strength, courage and peace in you.

We ask this through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever.

Amen

1.0 Call To Order & Welcome

2.0 Opening Prayer(St Margaret Mary Prayer)

3.0 Roll Call of Members Present

3.1 Present were:

Grace Saturnino/April Almeida., Chair/Co-Chair;

Mr. J. Coons, Principal

Ms. J. Iacozza, Principal Intern

Mr. D. Curto, Staff Rep

Adriana Ammendolia, Treasurer

Tina Allen, Secretary

Sue Graham

Mary Horvath

Christine DeGregorio

Kim Impagiatelli

Anna Pannaci

3.2 Absent were:

Mario Cupido, Parish/Community Rep

4.0 Declaration of Interest

4.1 None Declared;

5.0 Lunch Lady Presentation (Hot Lunches) - Linda Bresnahanrace . www.thelunchlady.ca

5.1 Presentation on Hot lunch program-noted by Linda, our speaker, that SMM CSC is "most well attended school council" that she has visited so far;

5.2 Hot lunch menus, online ordering, peanut and nut free lunches; special event menus also available; school may receive some fundraising through meals(approximately .35cents), minimum order of 25 lunches per delivery for the fundraising; school's goal is to get hot lunches, not fundraise so possibly fundraising money could go towards lunch for families that cannot afford the cost of a meal;

- 5.3 'The Lunch Lady' menu and additional information can be found on the website www.thelunchlady.ca;
- 5.4 Discussion of various advantages and concerns; involvement of school requires paper order and distribution of forms and collection of money, if not done online by parents; discussed how to get information to parents/families; will trial the program for 3 months and have a committee to get the lunches up and running for the trial. Sue G. will head up the committee with other parent volunteers to determine menu options and timing.
- 5.5 **Motion to trial the Lunch Lady lunch program for 1 x wk for 3mos – start date to be announced;**
Motion: Sue
Second: Kim
PASSED

6.0 Chairperson/Co-Chair's Report – Grace Saturnino/April Almedia

- 6.1 Milk Program Update – previous milk distributor is ready to go; have parent volunteers available for milk program – attempting 3 days/wk(Mon, Wed, Fri); discussed that school will go with same distributor (already have fridge on loan from them); Information will go out to parents, shortly, then program will start. Alicia and April will work with volunteers;
- 6.2 Christmas Gift Program – age specific gifts; families can choose age specific tags; Mary H. is going to cut out Angels and set up Christmas tree for parent/teacher interview night.
- 6.3 Lighting outside in school ground area-Mr. Coons discussed with the Board Occupational Health and Safety Committee (monthly visits) and Board is aware (exterior issue);
- 6.4 First Aid kit will be installed by the gym, so groups here after hours will have access to kit; Mr. Coons will follow up;
- 6.5 Kitchen needs a lock on the door – Mr. Coons to follow up;

7.0 Principal's Report - Mr. Coons

- 7.1 Feasibility of Christmas Concert – staff was consulted, it will be difficult to hold a night concert due to size of gym, number of people that would have to be accommodated; many activities are currently scheduled in December, but, for this year it was discussed that school will go forward with a daytime activities to invite parents to for JK, SK and primary classes;
- 7.2 **Motion to purchase a Christmas Costume (Santa) for approximately \$150.00-200.00.**
Motion: Mary Grace;
Second: Adriana;
PASSED

- 7.3 Date for Family Mass – Tue, Dec 9 @ 7pm @ SMM Church; reception afterwards in gymnasium; coffee/tea/juices, cookies provided by visiting schools; Mrs. Amos, Director of Education, will be attending;
- 7.4 Mr. Coons will confirm with other 2 school principals (St. Kateri and St. Anthony Daniels) that they will provide refreshments;
- 7.5 EQAO Information – overview and presentation of results and significance for school and parents; goals discussed and reviewed, e.g. Literacy goals; principal discussed importance of these goals and that parents need to be aware and informed; led to a discussion of educational event, such as a “literacy night” for parents;

8.0 Financial Report – Adriana Ammendolia – presented finance report;

- 8.1 See Financial report; approximately, \$8000.00 of monies remains to be spent from fundraising; profit of about \$13,000.00 on chocolate fundraiser-excellent- Thank You to all volunteers, students, families and all involved;
- 8.2 About 10% of CSC fundraising proceeds goes to our chosen Board approved charity, Camp Marydale;

9.0 Fundraising Report – Christine DeGregorio/Alicia Charles

- 9.1 Highest sellers for chocolate fundraisers will get prizes on Nov 13;
- 9.2 Thank you to all;
- 9.3 Fundraising ideas for 2014/2015 tabled to next meeting in January.

Motion to table Fundraising to Jan Meeting;

Motion: Mary Grace;

Second: Adriana

PASSED

10.0 Special Events – Sue Graham

- 10.1 Sue will arrange skating/family event in Jan;

11.0 Secretary’s Report – Tina Allen

Motion to Accept Minutes of Oct 21/2014

Motion: Anna

Second: Mary Grace;

PASSED

12.0 New Business – Grace Saturnino

12.1 Topics for next meeting & Date – Tue, January 13/2015 @ 6:30pm in Learning Commons;

12.2 Math Education event, available through the Board, to be arranged in New Year for interested parents;

13.0 Adjournment