

Parent Council Minutes – May 16 2016

Present – Mrs. Vella, Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Piazza, Ms. Travassos, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. Geromella, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Pihack, Mrs. Molinaro, Mrs. D’Intino, Mrs. McGurk

Regrets: Ms. Jensen, Mr. Mauro, Mrs. Ban, Mrs. Cali

Opening Prayer – Mrs. Geromella

Motion to Pass Minutes – Mrs. Greco
2nds to Motion – Mrs. Travassos

Fundraising

- **Big Box of Cards**
- Ended May 5
- Raised \$6758.75
- 22 boxes still outstanding
- **Fuel For Kids**
- Raised \$1960
- Wonderful turnout from families

Motion for Parent Counsel to contribute \$10 towards school trips for each student (approx. 400 students) – grade 8 students not included, we do not pay towards their trip as we pay for grad dinner:
Mrs. Vella

Motion passed – unanimous vote

Motion for Parent Counsel to contribute \$26 towards cost of grad dinner (40 grads): Mrs. Vella
Motion passed – unanimous vote

Communicant/Confirmandi gifts have been picked up – Cross keychains with three saints, will be given out at May Crowning

Subday

- No subday in June

Ice Cream Sandwich Day

- Wednesday June 15
- Being ordered from Terracotta (school safe facility)
- Approximately 460 students

Upcoming Dates

- Play day – June 28 at Dofasco Park (Harveys to provide lunch)
- Grad – tentative date – June 20
- Grade 4 trip – Medieval Times (June 16)
- Primary grades – Soccer world (unsure)
- Grade 8 to Camp Brebeuf – May 30 to June 1
- Track and Field – June 9
- EQAO – grade 3 and grade 6 – May 25th to June 8

Treasurer Report:

- \$13224.34 includes Big Box of Cards Fundraiser

Nevada

- Balance : \$2938.86
- Two more cheques to come in June

Motion to pay for agendas in September: Mrs. Vella

Motion passed: Unanimous vote

Principal Report:

Mrs. Geromella thanked Parent Counsel for all their hard work this past school year

Highlights:

- Upgrade to front pathway of school, sidewalk to buses, this will provide a safer route

Track and Field

- June 9

Cross Country

- few top ten finishes
- great job done by all students who participated

Health and Safety

- One more lockdown and three more fire drills
- Lockdown has Community Officers McKnight and Hamilton attend and are pleased with our protocols
- New monitors in place for who is entering the school
- Early years is also getting a buzzer
- PA systems have been corrected so all zones can hear (day care and Early Years)
- Teachers are to get fobs for outdoor physical education toilets lowered, automatic sinks and toilets installed
- Security lighting to be adjusted
- Fire Inspection – improvements made, debris and clutter has been removed
- St. David was featured in video for board at principal meeting for safety record
- Email received stating new signage to be placed in driveway
- Arrows in parking lot to be repainted

Nutrition Program

- Use of gift cards and grants from Taste Buds
- We are now receiving produce at cost from Fortinos
- We now have insulated cooler bags and ice packs for the dairy products
- Hoping to possibly having parent volunteers next year

Run for Changed

- Happened past Wednesday at Bayfront Park
- Students raised over \$500

Catholic Education Week

- Great week
- The intermediates went to Cathedral for mass
- Directors awards took place during this week, attendees received tour of offices

Mental Health Day

- This coming Friday (May 20)
- Mrs. Sienna, Public Health Nurse and HAT Team running different activities and stations

Technology Grant

- One smartboard replaced and one new smartboard placed in another class

Kindness Bingo

- Took place on May 13
- Every class participated on smartboards
- Kids were very excited to get full cards
- There were winners per division

Warplane Heritage Museum

- We received a grant to participate in a program in affiliation with Bishop Tonnos High School
- Mentoring program with Grade 6 students with Bishop Tonnos students
- Model airplanes

- Intermediates went to art crawl on May 13

- Destination College – Grade 7 – Mohawk College, hands on, building and science

- Award of Excellence for Staff
 - o Mr. Funnell and Mrs. Sienna
 - o Were nominated from staff

- Father Mark is leaving St. Eugene, he will officiate last school mass of year on June 14
- Father Charlie will officiate May Crowning on May 26

- Focus on Youth to run again this summer, information on Board website

- Next meeting June 14, 6:30pm

Motion to adjourn - Mrs. Vella
2nd to Motion – Mrs. Greco