

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council Meeting
September 24, 2012
6:30 p.m. – OLMC Library

1. Welcome at 6:35 p.m. In attendance: Terri & Sante Visca, Mary Byers, Anna Racine, Angela Morocco, Elizabeth Davey, Mary D'Uva, Melissa Roma. Nicole Aubin.
2. Opening Prayer: Led by Mrs. D'Uva
3. Anna Racine presented the following items: An overview of Catholic School Council yearly activities, Parent Reaching Out Project activities for the 2012-2013 year – "You're the Chef" funding for two sessions this year.
3. Election of Chair – Anna Racine was nominated from the floor and accepted the nomination for the position of Chair of OLMC Catholic School Council. Mrs. Davey will be the secretary for the Council.
4. Members signed up for the following committees:

School /Board / Council Activities for 2012-2013

| Activity | Date | Lead Person |
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| Meet the Teacher Night | Sept. 13, 6:30 p.m. | OLOMC CSC reps |
| Food Days | 3-4 times per year | |
| Annual Catholic School Council Opening Mtg. | Saturday, November 3, 2012 Notre Dame College School | |
| Confirmation | Pentecost Sunday | ----- |
| Family Advent Mass | December 2 nd First Sunday of Advent | |
| Bishop's Gala | April 19 | |
| Dance-a-thon | Feb. 14, during Kids helping Kids week | |
| Shrove Tuesday | Feb. 12 (after Family Day) | CSC and parent volunteers |
| Faith Formation CSC | | |
| Annual CSC Spring Convention | | |
| Partners in Cath. Ed. | | |
| Gr. 8 Grad. | June 24 | |

Prayer and Refreshment Sign up

| Meeting date | Prayer | Refreshment |
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| Sept: 24 | OLMC | OLMC |
| Nov: 19 | Anna | potluck & meeting |
| Feb: 4 | Sante | Sante |
| Apr.: 15 | Nicole | Nicole |
| May : 13 | Melissa | Melissa |

Catholicity: Mrs. Byers will be the lead in this year's school and family project. The idea of the keepsake of the reflection tube was discussed. This will be discussed with the staff for input.

The idea of making school chapel in one of the empty classrooms was discussed. The annual Advent family Mass was decided upon for the first week of Advent. Mrs. Davey will confirm the date and the format with Father Peter.

Food Days: Mr. Visca will be the lead on food days this year. The first food day is scheduled to be Sub Day.

Principal's Report: Mrs. Davey presented the 2011 -2012 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council Annual Report. The school year started off smoothly. Meet the Teacher Night was successful and very positive comments were made by the parents. Journeys Program was very successful. We had excellent weather and excellent parental turnout for the Mass and dinner. Our first school Mass was held on Sept 13th Preliminary EQAO results showed very good results in the areas of writing and reading. Mathematics is an area that will continue to be a focus. It is a need across the Province. An overview of the four school improvement goals were presented to the council as a focus for the year's activities. Literacy – TLCs, Numeracy - problem solving, Pathways – supportive transitions from division to division as well as to high school, Culture of Caring – CSC, Church connections, Bully Prevention through social skills teaching. Marathon Challenge: October 21st. We will need parent volunteers for the race. Mrs. Davey and the staff will be reviewing all safety protocols for the month of September so that the staff is prepared to respond to an emergency should one arise.

9. Next meeting date: Tuesday, November 19th, 2012 @ 6:30 p.m. (Library).

10. Adjournment @ 8:30 p.m.