



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

# Cardinal Newman Catholic School Council

## Tuesday, April 25, 2017

### Grade 7 Room – 6:30 pm



#### 1. Prayer

-Mark started with a prayer

Present: Mrs Bender, Mrs. Taddeo, Mrs. Fabiano, Mrs. Hollett, Mrs. Watson, Mr. Evangelista, Mrs. Blue, Mrs. Manders,

Regrets:

#### 2. Report from the Chair

##### i) Food Days – May / June

- Pizza Day is Friday April 28th, Student council talked about the possibility of having a June BBQ. They also talked about a Pita Pit day.

##### ii) Trivia Night Feedback

- Turned out well and the profits were similar to last year (about \$3700).

##### iii) PRO Grant

- Mr. Kerho explained that the parents reaching out grant is a grant to get parents involved in the school community. Proposals are taken and Ministry approves. Mr. Kerho said we have until May 26th to submit any ideas - this can be looked at online and if ideas talk to Mr. Kerho and Mrs. Hollett.

#### 3. Principal's Report

##### i) Policies for vetting

The following Policies and Administrative Guidelines are currently being reviewed as part of the cyclical Policy and Administrative Guidelines Review process.

To be considered, all submissions must identify the specific policy and include your name, phone number, address and affiliation with Niagara Catholic.

- [Educational Field Trips Policy 400.2](#)
- [Privacy Policy \(New\)](#)

*Please submit your feedback to [Jennifer Pellegrini](#) by **May 10, 2017***

*Anonymous or pseudonymous submissions will not be considered*

##### i) System Priorities and Planning

- Mr. Kerho went through System Priorities and Planning recommendations sheet and spoke to the parents about things they might like to see. Parents provided thoughts and notes were taken on the planning form.
- Mr. Kerho will email the form to interested parents who can send ideas back if they wish.

##### ii) Library Renovation

- Mr. Kerho explained the process of the boxing of books, renovating, etc. and the delay for our library. Mrs. Blue asked what was going to be happening in the library and Mr. Kerho took the group for a tour to the library to look at things.

- iii) Intensive French Program (Grade 5/6)
    - Mr. Kerho explained the process that lead to the 5<sup>th</sup> class that will be starting in September 2017.
  - iv) Catholic Education Week April 30 – May
    - Begins Sunday, which is also the date of the 1st Communion
    - Mr. Evangelista spoke about the procession of Mother Mary around the school.
    - Friday is a walk to school event.
  - v) Catch the Spirit Award
    - Mr. Kerho informed everyone that the recipient is Caroline Candeloro and that the ceremony is Monday at BT.
  - vi) EQAO
    - Mr. Kerho outlined the times and dates for EQAO
  - vii) Sacraments Grade 2 / 8
    - 1st Communion and Confirmation dates shared
  - viii) Fun Day / Track and Field
    - May 23 for Track, and Play-day Friday, June 16th in the a.m.
  - ix) Chromebooks and feedback from technology
    - Mr. Kerho talked about a technology purchase of Chromebooks. We will be looking at getting more of the Chromebooks we currently have at CN. Mr. Kerho asked for thoughts from the Parent Council. Mrs. Blue asked about textbooks and access to them.
  - x) End of the Year Field Trips
    - If you haven't heard, you will be hearing about this
    - Mrs. Taddeo asked about the number of staff that attend Medeba. Mr. Kerho updated everyone as to the likely numbers and the additional staffing at camp Medeba.
  - xi) Safe and Accepting Schools Team – Lockdown Upcoming
  - xii) School Travel Planning Walk to School Event
    - Any interested parents may wish to sit on a committee for Travel Planning
  - xiii) End of the year Requests
    - Parents are encouraged to check the calendar for how to submit requests for their child and information about what learning needs are best for their child
4. Treasurer's Report
  5. Mrs. Manders spoke about the upcoming Math night that will be around the end of May. Mr. Kerho will ensure the information is communicated to parents.
  6. Next Meeting Date : May 30, 2017 6:30 pm

Meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm

Total Fundraising General	1459.04
Total Dance-a-thon	3118.25
Lottery Trust	900.00
Trivia Night	<u>2690.98</u>
 TOTAL	 8168.27

Only change in balance from February 21, 2017 is in Trivia Night.