Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School Council Meeting Minutes September 22, 2015 6:30 p.m. – OLMC Library

Attendees: C. Taylor., S. Turner, C. K. Morneau, M. Roma, A. Racine, N. Aubin, G. Morawek, B. Stoddart B, K. Ratelle, D. MacDonald, M. Duva, E., Davey Regrets: T. Artista Marsh

Prayer: D. MacDonald led the Council in prayer

- 1. Welcome and Introductions: Mrs. Davey asked those present to introduce themselves and to identify the names and grades of their children.
- 2. Mrs. Davey gave an overview of Catholic School Council & roles, responsibilities and duties.
 - Mrs. Davey reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the members and that the council is to maintain a school wide vision;
 - Councils were established to encourage active participation of parents and guardians in Catholic Education and to improve achievement of all students;
 - CSC is an advisory body;
 - Term of office for elected positions will be one year term in order to encourage increased parent/guardian involvement and leadership;
 - CSC shall use consensus where possible as the usual method for developing recommendations and plans.
 - Quorum needed to be reached in order to proceed with the meeting.
 - Meetings are open to all parents/guardians of students enrolled in the school.
 - Fundraising: Must be done according to Board policy on fundraising. OLMC will have two major fundraisers this year: The Twelve Days of Christmas in December and The Dance a thon in February. Input for expenditure of funds will be requested prior to the principal's decision.
 - Mrs. Davey informed that the dress code and uniform policy I sup for review and that stakeholders are encouraged to offer input.
 - Mrs. Davey presented via PPT presentation the new safe arrival attendance procedures.
 - Mrs. Davey gave an overview of annual activities offered by the Board as well as the annual activities offered at the school. This does not preclude other events from occurring. Suggestions are welcome.
 - The school has received a number of parent volunteers for the various activities occurring in the school. A spread sheet will be done and given to the co-chairs for a contact list.
- 3. Staff Reports: A report was given on the activities of each division thus far.
- 4. Community/Church Rep report: A. Racine has been selected by Father Peter Rowe to be his representative. A. Racine reported on various church events i.e, Vacation Bible School was a well attended activity in July. Many students entering Grade 9 students received their community service hours by volunteering for this activity.
- 5. SEAC Report: A. Racine is the Chair of the Board's SEAC Committee. She will be giving a report at each CSC meeting.
- 6. Election of Chair: Co-Chairs of the OLMC Catholic School Council for 2015-2016 are Cindi Taylor and Sarah Turner.
- 7. Possible items for next agenda: No items were placed on the agenda.
- 8. Next Meeting: November 17, 2015
- 9. Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.

School /Board / Council Activities for 2015-2016

Activity	Date	Lead Person
Food Days	3-4 times per year	Sante/Terri
School Nutrition Program	October-June	
Annual Catholic School Council Chairs and Members meeting.	November 19tha @ 6:30 p.m. CEC	Cindi/Sara/Liz
Family Advent Mass	December 1 st First Sunday of Advent TBD by Fr. Peter	
Dance-a-thon	During Kids helping Kids week. February 12, 2016	
Movie Night	April 19, 2016	
Math Night (Pro Grant)		
Shrove Tuesday	February 9, 2016	
Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast	April 11th, 2016	
Bishop's Gala	April 1 st , 2016	
Partners in Cath. Ed.	May 9, 2016	
Gr. 8 Grad.	June 27 th 6:00 pm in the church, parish Hall afterwards	
Volunteering for other activities within the school/Board as they are planned/needed		
Fiftieth Anniversary Open House	Saturday, November 28 th 1:00 p.m – 4:00 p.m.	

Prayer Sign up

Meeting date	Prayer
Sept: 22	D. MacDonald
Nov: 17	N. Aubin
Jan 12, 2016	B. Stoddart
Apr.: 19	J. Legace