

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES: Tuesday, November 22, 2011
6:30 pm in the Staff Room – Christmas dinner meeting

Participants: Tara Tarczy, Mary Byers, Anna Maria Colangelo , Anna Pascuzzi, Anna Racine, Angela Morocco, Elizabeth Davey, Mary D’Uva, Melissa Roma. Nicole Aubin.

1. Welcome @ 6:30 p.m.: Anna Racine chaired the meeting and welcomed the council to the meeting.
2. Opening Prayer: Anna Racine
3. Minutes - of October 18 approved – Mrs. Tarczy, Mrs. Pascuzzi
4. Reports:

Catholicity: OLOMC Advent Mass Nov. 27 11: a.m. Mass. Flyers will be sent home reminding families.

Church Rep: Mrs. Racine informed the council of the new roof, the church bazaar update and the new missal inserts that would be available in the Church pews.

Food Days: Mrs. Roma, Mrs. Aubin and Mrs. Colangelo will coordinate wrap day for December 8th. There would be turkey, ham and veggie wraps available for the students.

Special Needs Report: Mrs. Racine gave an overview of the SEAC goals and objectives. The Special Education plan is now contained within the Board Improvement Plan rather than being a separate document.

School Nutrition Action Committee: The council reviewed the goals of the SNAC regarding healthy classroom celebrations. Pizza for pizza days would now be whole grain with low fat cheese. A focus group of students would sample a few varieties to choose the pizza that would be most popular with students. Classes are reviewing hand washing with the school health nurse in order to encourage hand washing before lunch. Students are also encouraged to bring hand sanitizers.

Teacher Rep: Teachers reported on the student teachers role in their classes. This year’s food drive goal was to collect 100 kg of non perishable food for Project Share. With the support of our families, we were able to collect 148 kg of canned goods. Students from Grades 4 -6 were captivated by the high energy presentation of children’s author, Michael Wade. To prepare for his visit, students read his popular book series, “And Then It Happened “, and wrote fictional stories modeled after his books. Thank you to our Library Technician, Mrs. Richardson for arranging the presentation.

Principal Report: School Improvement Report: The junior teachers and students will be involved with the Junior Math Intervention with Brock University. The school is also assigned a Junior Mathematics coach once per week to interact directly with students Gr. 4-6 experiencing difficulty in mathematics. The math coach will also assist teachers with mathematics strategies to assist with their students’ needs in mathematics. Miss Tancredi who is our school’s mathematics rep. will be asked to attend a CSC future meeting to present additional information on this project. Mrs. Davey explained the new mathematic assistance that is offered on line through the ILS. Parent volunteers were requested to distribute the spirit wear to the students. The library has received new furniture.

New Business

- Playground Policy: The council reviewed the new playground structure policy.
- The council viewed the video “The Enduring Gift”. Discussion followed.
- Mr. Lefebvre has accepted the invitation to attend our next council meeting.

Adjournment: 7:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 7, 2012

Prayer for next meeting: Melissa Roma

Goodies for next meeting: Melissa Roma