

St. Christopher Catholic School Council
Monday, January 20th, 2014 @ 5:15 PM
in the school library

MINUTES

Attendance: Roger Demers, Antoinette Nardelli, Liz Cabral, Nicole Tersigni-Lalonde, Regan Gaudin, Susan Davies

Regrets: Syl Roach, Gloria Jansz

Absent: Aimee Vanderburgh

Prayer: Roger led all with prayer provided by Syl, *New Year's Prayer For the Family*

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Discussion Items

Accommodation Review Committee update – Liz explained the process to date. Consensus was reached on only one of the six draft proposals. At the January 30th final Public ARC Meeting a boundary change between St. Christopher and St. Theresa will be presented. It will require an addition at St. Christopher and renovations to St. Theresa prior to some of our students moving there. There would be a request to grandfather current students to eliminate a move in grade 7 or 8. Roger will do a robo-call to inform families of the final Public ARC Meeting. He reported that he is awaiting information from the Board regarding school use of social media such as Facebook. A final ARC decision is expected in April.

12 Days of Christmas recap – Roger presented the balance sheet showing a profit of approximately \$600 which is a significant decline from 2012 and 2010. After discussion it was suggested we consider changing next year's fundraiser. A discussion about fundraising ensued. Members volunteered to look into the possibility of St. Christopher fundraisers in the next few months at local establishments: McDonalds (Nicole), Wendy's (Regan), Tim Horton's (Liz), Little Caesar's & Jerry's Pizza. Discussion was held about pasta lunches, as in the past, that members suggested raised \$300 each.

Regal Catalogue Sales recap – Liz reported approximately \$800 in sales thus far (35% would profit the school). She recommended we consider offering a spring catalogue to families. She will order them for distribution in February.

Shrove Tuesday (March 4th) planning – Roger reported that he had Mrs. Wilson check supplies - we have sufficient pancake mix and 2 bottles of syrup (2-4 more required), but no plates or forks. Parents will mix and serve, making toonie-sized pancakes for primary (no cutting required). Roger suggested that we could make it an ECO-initiative by having students bring their own plates & cutlery. Members unanimously supported him washing afterward. Serving pre-cooked sausage was discussed, but not recommended.

Finalize CSC Bylaws – Roger presented the NCDSB template of draft CSC Bylaws and read the suggested changes to them in an email from Syl Roach. 'Community Rep.' was added to 'Composition', points were added to 'Roles & Responsibilities', points were added to 'Principal', points were added to 'Parish Rep', and punctuation was corrected in 'Code of Ethics'. Roger reminded members that any profits generated by fundraisers are the property of the Board and that the purpose of all fundraisers must be clearly explained ahead of time. The Bylaws were accepted as amended. Roger will have them posted to the school website and he will consult Board staff about streamlining the Catholic School Council section of the site. Council minutes will be approved via email to expedite them being posted to the website.

Policies for Vetting – Go to the board website - www.niagaracatholic.ca Click on - "Policies Currently Being Vetted" Select each of the individual policies listed below:

Board Advertising Policy (#600.5)

Ontario Student Record (OSR) Policy (#301.7)

Architect Selection Policy (#701.1)

Correspondence

Spotlight issued biweekly (for *Committee of the Whole & Board* meetings) on Board website: www.niagaracatholic.ca

Adjournment – 6:28 PM

Next Meetings Wednesday, March 26th @ 6:00PM. Add: 'Play Day' & 'Recommendations for 2014-15 CSC' to agenda.