

APPROVED MINUTES

St. Elizabeth Seton School Council Meeting Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Attendees:

M.A. Daigle
L. Magat
A. Lorimer
T. Robinson
A. DiRenzo
T. Waters

Attendees:

M. DeSimone
N. Botelho

Regrets:

M. May
M. Micallef
V. Osinski
L. Van BokHorst

Recorder:

M. Lehoux

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER – All

Mary-Ann welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the opening prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS – All

Introductions conducted.

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – Maria Lehoux

Motion to approve the Minutes made by Adrianna DiRenzo and seconded by Mary-Ann Daigle. The Minutes will continue to be posted on the school's web site.

SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT - Adrianna DiRenzo for V. Osinski

The students of St. Elizabeth Seton collected over 8 large boxes of non-perishable food items. The Halloween dance was a big success with great prizes, decorations and a lot of fun. Thank you to the teachers for supervising the dance and thanks also to Mr. Naismith for helping set up the sound system. Student Council is organizing an Intermediate Intramural for dodgeball. This will be played during the lunch hour on Mondays and Wednesdays. The Christmas fundraiser will consist of donating toys for families in need. Cookie-o-grams will be sold for \$1.00 each. The cookies will be purchased from Terra Cotta and are peanut-free. Student Council will have a bulletin board where they will inform students of upcoming events in the school. They will also do a weekly announcement (on Fridays) called the Seton News Network.

ROBOTICS – Mario DeSimone

Mario asked the School Council to consider the purchase of 3 robotics kits which would be used by both the Intermediate grade 7 and 8 classes along with grade 5 and 6 classes. The cost of each kit is approximately \$349 plus tax and shipping (excludes the cost of the software - \$180, plus books \$40). The kits would be used in the following grades and would coincide with the Science Curriculum: gears (g4), structures (g7) and hydraulics (g8).

ACTION: Council to respond at January's meeting.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Tim Waters

Flag football tournament was held today.

Enrolment is at 384 students.

Tim briefly discussed potential school closures as per the Toronto Sun newspaper article. Britannia Road and Erin Mills Parkway is building. No news on St. Elizabeth Seton's construction.

Mrs. Riccio has returned from maternity leave.

Tim thanked the junior division for a wonderful Remembrance Day assembly.

Adrianna DiRenzo is trying to source a new venue for this year's graduation as the Delta Meadowvale will be under construction. A tentative location is the Mississauga Convention Centre on June 18, 2008. At this point, there will not be a mass prior to the dinner as the priests are unavailable. Suggestion made to have a graduation mass in conjunction with St. Elizabeth Seton's year-end mass. We could also have our own liturgy at the convention centre which would be put on by the SES Liturgical Committee.

NOTE: The year-end mass would have to be changed because the grade 8's will be in Muskoka Woods.

ACTION: Final dates and venue to be provided at January's meeting.

Intermediate Volleyball:	The girls' team made it to the Family tournament.
Flag Football:	Team made it to the semi-finals and lost by 1 touchdown.
Cross Country:	Connor A. (g8) came in first place.
Christmas Craft Club:	The club will run for the next 4 weeks during the lunch hour and will be put on by Mrs. Scicluna, Mrs. Maresse and Mrs. Gormley.
Teachers vs. Students Volleyball:	Game will be held on Friday. Spectators to pay \$1.
Toonie Tuesday:	A toonie will be collected from students in support of the Eden Food Bank.
Advent Mass:	Will be held on December 14 th .
Kiss 'N Ride:	Running smoothly in the mornings. Problems still exist in the afternoons when cars block the bus lane.
Book Fair:	Went well.

Peel Partners for a Drug-Free Community is presenting a workshop entitled Raising Drug-Free Children (at St. Teresa of Avila School on November 21st at 7pm).

ACTION: Contact Tim Waters if interested in attending.

Parents Reaching Out Grant Money:	Tim submitted the application requesting \$1,000 for a community communication board.
Bill 212:	All Ontario principals must attend this meeting (Safe Schools Act – new bill comes into effect February 2008). Teachers to attend in the new year and principal's to attend 1 more session.

PARISH REPORT – Tehnaz Robinson

Stewardship – schools to carry on with stewardship envelopes (time, talent, treasure). The envelopes are to be handed in at Advent Mass, December 14th. Church events are to be added in the schools' monthly newsletter.

Confirmation facilitators are needed.

The church library is open. Materials are loaned out for up to 1 month at no charge.

RCIA needs sponsors for new members.

Tehnaz listed the various upcoming church functions.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Anne Lorimer

Anne circulated a letter outlining Fair Trade. Reviewed and edited the draft budget.

ACTION: Budget approval to be finalized at January's meeting.
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FUND-RAISING REPORT – Lisa Magat

Chocolate sales are close to \$9,000. Pizza sales are declining.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Lisa Magat and seconded by Anne Lorimer.

Next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 15, 2008** at 6:30 p.m. in the library.