

**CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS**

**Thursday January 8, 2009**

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Nick Milanetti, Grace Williamson, Luz del Rosario, Tony da Silva, Carlo Di Carlo (alternate), MaryAnn O'Mahoney, Ed McMahon, Gabriel Ogundele, Amaryllis Jones, Ellen Boyington, Laurie Eschli, Geoff Marinoff, Tresa Sanfilippo, Helen Cassano, Grace Williamson, Lina Nugent, Lynda Verlezza, Donna Luciani, Richard Armogenia, Firella Dirubbo, Anna Podesta da Silva

**ABSENT:** Ryan Dollimore, Helen Kelly

**REGRETS:** Ehretia O'Hearn, Michelle Mack, Roberta Zamadar, Ann Horton,

**GUESTS:** Luigi Davoli, Patti, Zura, Leanne McBain, Nancy Jessop, Cathy Marchetti, Pauline Kekich, Zelia Kopechny, Lori DiMatteo, Marianne Mazzorato.

**A. ROUTINE MATTERS**

- a. Opening Prayer – Laurie Eschli
  - i. Prayer for the February – Tresa Sanfilippo – Mississauga North
- b. Attendance
  - i. Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC representatives
  - ii. Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools
  - iii. Identification of Observers
- c. Approval of Minutes of December 11, 2008 –
  - i. Motion to approve Minutes of December 11, 2008 – Laurie Eschli
  - ii. Seconded – Donna Luciani
  - iii. **CARRIED**
- d. Approval of Agenda of January 8, 2009
  - i. Amendments to the Agenda – Under Business add the following items: Item Cfi; Security Changes at the CEC , add Item Cc vi - PRO Grant Update, Item Coe P/VP Secondary Elementary/Secondary Report. Under Trustees report change Trustee to Tony da Silva and remove Thomas
  - ii. Motion to approve changes to the as noted – Geoff Marinoff
  - iii. Seconded Amaryllis Jones
  - iv. **CARRIED**

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

- a. "Mouse" – *Marianne Mazzorato*
  - The film was made by Dufferin-Peel students and staff in collaboration with Peel Regional Police. It depicts gang recruitment and the reasons young people get involved in gangs. A guide entitled "Educators Resource Guide" was handed out.

- The committee was advised as to how or when this DVD might be appropriately used in a school.
- Discussion took place about the importance and relevance of this DVD and how it may be used effectively in our schools.

### **C. BUSINESS MATTERS**

- a. CCCSC Goals and Roles of Members - Review– *Nick Milanetti*
  - i. The updated, revised version of the Goals for 2008/2009 was distributed. Nick reviewed the changes that were made. All changes are as a result of discussion which took place at the December 11, 2008 CCCSC meeting.
- b. Trustee Report – *Luz del Rosario and Tony Da Silva*
  - i. Tony reported that nominations for the Premier’s Award for Excellence in Teaching are due by January 31<sup>st</sup>. You are encouraged to make nominations of those you feel would be deserving of this award. There is information on the board’s website regarding the nomination process.
  - ii. FACE – Friends and Advocates of Catholic Education. This initiative is being established to promote catholic education and is supported by many groups.
  - iii. Kindergarten registration will take place in February. The board has initiated a large campaign to promote and encourage parents to register in our system.
  - iv. System Review Survey results will be coming out early in February.
- c. Committee Updates and Responsibilities
  - i. In-Service Committee Updates and Important Dates – *N. Milanetti*
    1. February 12, 2009 – Joe Rich at the Mississauga Convention Centre. Over 1000 tickets have already been requested and we will be increasing the size of the venue to accommodate the numbers attending as much as possible.
    2. April 4, 2009 – School Council In-Service and Market Place. – We are hoping to confirm Bishop Durocher as our keynote speaker addressing Catholic Education and how we can keep it growing and healthy. Our Plenary session speaker is Ron Morrish who will speak on Disciplining your Child. We have many sessions to look forward to including a session with our Director of Education, John Kostoff. Other sessions include; Helping your Child with Math; Bends and Trends in Education; Special Education etc. etc.
    3. The next meeting of the CCCSC In-Service committee is February 18 at 10:00 a.m. at the CEC
  - ii. OAPCE Report – *Roberta Zamadar*
    1. Nil report
  - iii. SEAC Report – *Laurie Eschli*
    1. Nil report
  - iv. Parish Representative Report – *Gabriel Ogundele*
    1. Next meeting will take place Jan 29 at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Hall
  - v. School Council Handbook Committee – *E.O’Hearn*
    1. The date for the next meeting of this committee is Jan 14 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 102. The handbook is being updated and revised. Once completed, schools will receive 3 hard copies of the handbook plus a DVD (1 for School Council, 1 for the principal, 1 for parents located in the Library). The By-Law template will be included on the DVD version of the Handbook. The handbook and the By-Law template are also

located on the website for CCCSC. This is being supported by funds from the Ministry of Education

- vi. PRO GRANT Update
  - 1. Nick advised of the money that we have received from the Ministry of Education. Funds will be distributed to each school council - \$500 per school council to use for school council activities. Some of these funds will be used to support our Feb 12 Joe Rich event and our April 4 In-Service and Vendor Market Place. Also, the handbook will be supported by the funds as will the brochure about "Getting Involved in Your School Council".
  - 2. We have not yet received any information from the Ministry of Education regarding approved applications for PRO grants by the schools for 2008/2009.
- d. Family of Schools Reports – The following items were reported from various CCCSC members as items to note and as opportunities that school councils can bring forward for their schools.
  - i. Hydro ran a Christmas card competition which students at St. Theresa of Avila entered and won.
  - ii. Knights of Columbus Essay contest – essay contest - \$500 prize. The contest is open to every student. You are encouraged to mention this to your school.
  - iii. Public Speaking Contest –Dan Reidy will be contacting the elementary schools. There are many levels to this competition which ends in a GTA competition. There are scholarships involved.
  - iv. OECTA puts out a contest for elementary and secondary - Young Author's Awards. Prizes given are for short story, poem and report categories. Winners receive a prize and are published in a book.
  - v. Hockey Hall of Fame competition – a writing contest re: bullying – check the Hockey Hall of Fame website. Win a day with the Stanley Cup.
- e. Principal/Vice-Principal Report (Secondary and Elementary)
  - i. Discussion took place about what may be reported at future meetings and items to be shared with the committee.
  - ii. The board is beginning the process of looking at transfers/changes for principal and vice-principal placements for spring 2009.
- f. Security Changes for the CEC
  - i. As of February 2<sup>nd</sup>, there will be security changes at the board office. The public and board employees who do not work at the CEC can only enter into the main reception area and will have to be escorted to any meetings or areas of the building where they have business.

#### **D. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES**

- a. Nil

#### **E. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Nil

#### **F. OTHER**

- a. Nil

#### **G. CLOSING PRAYER**

**H. ADJOURNMENT – 9:00 p.m.**

- a. Motion to adjourn – Laurie Eschli
- b. Seconded – Anna Podesta da Silva
- c. **CARRIED**

**I. NEXT MEETING**

**Thursday February 5, 2009**

7:00 p.m. – Meeting – Board Room

**Schedule of Future Meetings:**

<b>Thursday February 5, 2009</b>	7:00 p.m.	Board Room, CEC
<b>Thursday February 12, 2009</b> <b>Joe Rich (Family</b> <b>Therapist from City TV)</b>	7:00 p.m. - Keynote address	Mississauga Convention Centre
<b>Thursday March 5, 2009</b>	7:00 p.m.	Board Room, CEC
<b>Thursday April 2, 2009</b>	7:00 p.m.	Board Room, CEC
<b>Saturday April 4, 2009</b> <b>In-Service &amp; Market Place</b>	8:30 - registration 9:00 - 2:30 sessions & vendors	school TBD
<b>Thursday May 21, 2009</b>	7:00 p.m.	Board Room, CEC

**NOTE:** Please note that the May meeting date was changed and the June meeting was cancelled.