

CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS

Thursday, March 10, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Board Room

Catholic Education Centre

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Present: G. Prajza, G. Rodney, M. O'Mahony, E. McMahon, L. Eschli, P. Giansante, T. Sanfilippo, M. Emery, L. McQueen, R. Rindinella

Regrets: R. Quattro, M. Litsiou, S. Fernandes, R. Cinapri, A. Gulbinski, J. Gordon, K. Cespate, D. Luciani, C. Cristina

Guests: S. Walker, E. O'Hearn, L. Davoli, L. Nugent

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

a. Opening Prayer – S. Walker

i. Prayer for May, 2011 meeting:

L. Eschli will prepare the prayer for the May, 2011 meeting.

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 January 13, 2011 Meeting

Motion to approve: P. Giansante

Seconded: L. Eschli

CARRIED

d. Approval of Agenda of February 10, 2011

Motion to approve: P. Giansante

Seconded: L. McQueen

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Gail Robinson, Superintendent of Finance, provided highlights of the Board's budget process as well as information related to the allocation and distribution of funds.

C. BUSINESS MATTERS

a. Trustee Report – T. Thomas

Parish Zone meeting was very positive and well attended; more participants are encouraged to attend.

The Early Learning Program and Transportation continue to require additional funding.

Discussions regarding these issues continue with both Peel and Dufferin-Peel Boards.

b. Appointment of Secondary School Scholarship and Awards Committee Representative – G. Prajza

L. Eschli tentatively appointed to represent CCCSC on the Secondary School Scholarship and Awards Committee.

c. Committee Updates

i. In-Service Committee Updates: G. Prajza

1. Update re: Winter event

- Event date of March 3, 2011 and Keynote Speaker, Eric Roher have been confirmed for this event .

2. April 9, 2011 – School Council In-Service and Market Place

- A special thank-you was extended to M.A. O’Mahoney for her work in sending out the letters to the vendors;
- L. Storey has confirmed that he will conduct a workshop on Inclusivity;
- Lunch will be provide by the vendors who are in compliance with new guidelines
- Vendors will supply prizes and samples as give-a-ways
- Committee was asked for support in distributing information regarding the event.

ii) OAPCE Report: S. Walker

- OAPCE Conference registration is open and filling up quickly-To register: <http://www.oapce.on.ca/>
- The award nominations will close March 31st, 2010.
- DRAPCE will be hosting a presentation on April 27th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. on the History of our Catholic Education with Lou Rocha and John Kostoff. The event will take place at St. Valentine School, Mississauga.
- A Workshop on Parents Reaching Out Grant has been scheduled for May 3rd, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Gertrude School, Mississauga. Jack Nigro from Ministry of Education will explain and provide assistance with the application.
- Reaching Out presentations ongoing; three schools visited during the month of February, 2011.
- One school has begun working on making blankets from milk bags to send to families in Haiti. These blankets are durable and washable and provide a sleeping surface. Schools are asked to contact DRAPCE if they are interested in becoming involved with this project.

iii) SEAC Report – L. Eschli

- System Direction overview, board goal setting presentation by Mr. Kostoff
- 2012-12 Budget review process in March, Special education is a major area of concern in finances, underfunded by ministry.
- Work groups on goal setting for upcoming year, key areas – Literacy and Numeracy K-12, and Pathways & Transition planning K-12
- Review of School Health Support Services (SHSS) Deloitte final report, focus group to give feedback and can respond to on-line survey by March 27th. To access complete report, visit the Ministry of Health website: http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/contact/ccac/school_health.html
- February is Psychology month, articles can be found on DP website: <http://www.dpcdsb.org/CEC/Programs/Special+Education/Support+Services/PSY/Resources.htm>
- Tuesday April 19 - Planning & Networking workshop at Living Arts Centre – a connections resource fair for persons with disabilities; planning workshops available for families and youth. To register call 905 453-8841 ext 264
- Next meeting March 23, 2011 7:00 p.m. Board Room, CEC .

iv) Parish Representative Report – G. Prajza on behalf of G. Ogundele

Father Damian Ali's presentation at the meeting held February 17th, 2011 of the Parish representatives was very well received. Fostering a Positive Parish-School-Home Relationship and the Role of Parish Representatives on Catholic School Councils were among the topics of discussion.

Next meeting scheduled for May 3rd, 2011 at

h) Family of Schools Report:

Family of Schools Council Chairs Meetings are scheduled as follows:

- *Brampton/Caledon/Dufferin/Malton:*

E. McMahon shared information on the Leonard Sax Presentation.

- *Mississauga South:*

A presentation on Student Mental Health Awareness will be held at All Saints School on April 6th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

- *Mississauga East:*

Chris Vollum will be at St. Pio of Pietrelcina School on March 22nd, 2011.

D. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

Nil

E. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

F. OTHER

- G. Prajza shared information from the Pastoral Planning Session for Secondary Schools which was held on March 2nd, 2011 at St. Francis Xavier Church. G. Prajza also provided details on the uniqueness of this event. A planning session for elementary schools is scheduled for March 31st, 2011.
- E. McMahon brought forward to the committee, information on *Leaping into Action*; a program regarding the behaviour of coaches, fans and parents in school sports. The intent of this program is to bring our Catholic Virtues into school sports.

G. CLOSING PRAYER - Led by G. Prajza

H. ADJOURNMENT - 8:40 p.m.

I. NEXT MEETING - Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. – Board Room, CEC