

Denis Morris Catholic High School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Father Cormier/Lapinski Information Centre

Meeting called to order @ 6:30pm

Present: Danny DiLorenzo (Principal), Darlene Beauregard (Chair), Patrick Beauregard, Leeann Flynn, Lynn Piech, Frances de Lima, Nancey General, Nadia La Selva, Louise Montreuil, Angela Coleman, Jeannie McGlynn, Shonna Daly, Brooklyn Daly & Paul Gifford.

Regrets: Missy Gordon, Pina Palombo, Tracey Neufeld & Alison Joly.

ROUTINE MATTERS

Opening Prayer (Danny DiLorenzo)

Approval of the Minutes – Tuesday, September 26, 2017

(1st Shonna Daly & 2nd Leeann Flynn)

Approval of the Agenda – Tuesday, November 7, 2017

(1st Lynn Piech & 2nd Jeannie McGlynn)

Disclosure of Interest

(Leeann Flynn works for NCDSB St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School)

POLICY VETTING (Danny DiLorenzo)

Various Board policies under review. Please take a look and submit questions/concerns to Chair Darlene Beauregard by deadlines specified (November 8, 2017 & January 12, 2017) Shonna Daly asked for a sub-committee to be formed to address any questions/concerns regarding remaining – Darlene, Shonna, Jeannie & Louise volunteered for this, will present to CSC and submit to the Board.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Report (Shonna Daly)

Information not provided to include in the minutes.

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report (Darlene Beauregard)

SEAC Goals for the 2017/2018 School Year

- Have a SEAC meeting at a school to promote parent engagement. (Spring @ DM)
- SEAC members to visit a school – look at best practices regarding inclusion.
- Review of the new Special Education Ministry document, DRAFT SPECIAL EDUCATION IN ONTARIO – KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 12 POLICY AND RESOURCE GUIDE 2017; to aid with the review of the Special Education Plan. Special Education staff to provide presentations on related topics.

Catholic School Council Financial Report (Danny DiLorenzo)

- \$2,252.05 in CSC account.
- \$1,000 transferred from DM CSC to DM Cares (approved from previous school year 2016/2017).

Principal's School Information Report (Danny DiLorenzo)

- Anti-Bully Week – Nov. 20 to 24 (various school wide activities)
- Parent-Teacher Interviews – Feedback & Prior Booking
- Mid-Term Reports – Nov. 30 (reports will be handed out to students)
- Pilgrimage – Oct. 29 (high rate of student participation, thank you Missy Gordon for organizing a successful, faith-filled event)
- Grade 8 Day/TYKWTW – Nov. 1 (successful day for everyone)
- Inaugural Board Meeting – Dec. 5
- All Saints Mass – Nov. 8 (all are welcome)
- Advent Mass – Dec. 6 (all are welcome)
- Food Drive, Packs of Hope, Christmas Baskets (classes participating)
- Grad Retreat – Oct. 3 (Grade 12 students, first of many events to celebrate their Graduation year)
- Inspiration Award – DM staff recipients: Dino Petruzzi, Frank Cappelletti & Andrew Bartley

- Comedy Night – Oct. 20 (good night had by all)
- School Play – Nov. 28 & 29, (30th evening)
- Christmas Concert – Dec. 7
- Remembrance Day Service (all are welcome)
- Chris D’Souza – Nov. 22 (will speak to students and staff)

OAPACE REPORT (Shonna Daly)

OAPACE Meeting has not taken place, no new information available.

STAFF REPORT

No report

STUDENT REPORT (Paul Gifford & Brooklyn Daly)

- Halloween Dance/Haunted Hallway well attended and successful
- Danny DiLorenzo commended Student Council for their dedication & organization of the school dances. However, school dances may be suspended/cancelled because a few students continue to disregard simple rules and safety. This leads staff and Admin to deal with discipline and suspensions.
- DJ not well received.
- Pep Rally with the Kiltmen.
- Symposium (May 2018) Student Council will create “A Day in the Life of a DM Student”.

OLD BUSINESS

DM Christmas Market (Leeann Flynn)

Updates on the DM Christmas Market on Thursday, November 9, 2017.

- 37 Vendors (36 paid, CSC did not collect a fee from the Pope Francis Centre)
- DM CSC & Students Volunteers in place.
- DM REDS Christmas Ornaments (made by one of our vendors) available for purchase. If you’re interested, please see me.
- Looking forward to a successful event!

Grade 9 Open House – Thursday, November 23, 2017

- Darlene will give a short speech to future students and parents about DM CSC.
- DM CSC Table with our banner in hallway.

PRO Grant Update (Nadia LaSelva)

- Paul Davies not available for the upcoming school year (September 2017 – June 2018). It was decided to book him for a future date (Fall 2018) and pre-pay him before PRO GRANT deadline (July 15, 2018).

NEW BUSINESS

DM CSC Christmas Baskets

- Darlene Beauregard, Leeann Flynn, Pina Palombo & Lynn Piech will purchase gifts and food for Christmas Baskets.
- DM CSC will sponsor 3 Christmas Baskets @ \$250 for each family, we will meet later to organize and wrap baskets & co-ordinate delivery with Deacon Brian.
(1st Lynn Piech, 2nd Darlene Beauregard)

DM CSC Christmas Social

- Monday, December 11, 2017 @ 5:30 – Cat's Caboose – everyone welcome! Darlene will send out email reminder and make reservation.

AGENDA ITEMS – DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Put over for future DM CSC meetings

- Graduation Scholarships
- Used Uniform Sale

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 @ 6:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

1st Jeannie McGlynn, 2nd Leeann Flynn

CLOSING PRAYER

Danny DiLorenzo