

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Parent Involvement Committee was held on 8th day of October, 2008
at the Catholic Education Centre.

Present: **Committee Members:** Barbara Daly; Manuel da Silva; Fr. C. Fedy; Daisy Fedyna; Timothy Flannery; Catherine Newell Kelly

Administrative Officials:
Rick Boisvert

Regrets: Denise Blum; Louise Ervin; Roger Lawler; Christine Regier; Lynn Woodbeck; David White

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 12th, 2008 at 6:00 pm

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1. Welcome and Opening Prayer:
Meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. with prayer led by Fr. Fedy.
 2. Approval of Agenda
Motion: Tim Flannery
Seconded: Cathy Kelly
All in favour.
 3. Declared Pecuniary Interest
There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.
 4. Approval of the June 3rd Minutes
Approval tabled until November 12th meeting.
 5. Discussion Items
 - 5.1 Board Improvement Plan 2008-09
Heather Cullen, Superintendent of Instruction and Assessment presented an overview of the priorities and goals of the Board Improvement Plan. The Board's strategic goals, strategies, actions, monitoring and measures of success were also presented. Schools will post their School Improvement Plan on the school website.
 - 5.2 School Newswire Service
Darcy Davis presented the new ClassNet tool on each school website. Each school will also have a newswire account whereby subscribers will receive email messages through the site administrator. Information technology department will pilot this project in October/November, with a system roll out during Term 2.
 - 5.3 Sub-committee needs and membership: Governance, Communication, School Council Symposium
Discussion tabled for next meeting.
 - 5.4 Parent Involvement Committee Symposium November 19/08
Flyers will be sent to parents of grade 7, 8, and 9 students and all school councils in the Waterloo Region inviting them to the symposium at Monsignor Doyle Secondary. Parents Reaching Out grants will be displayed. Daisy Fedyna will coordinate refreshments with Monsignor Doyle hospitality staff. Cathy Kelly

will introduce Jean Clinton the guest speaker. There will be a question and answer period at the end of the evening.

5.5 2008 – 2009 Schedule of Meetings

Bruce Rodrigues, Superintendent of Student Success will present the K – 12 results at the March 11th meeting. There will be an additional full committee meeting on November 12th.

5.6 Ministry of Education funding

Update to be provided in November.

5.7 PIC Membership 2008-09

Criteria for parents who apply to the Parent Involvement Committee: must have school council experience and a child in grade 6 or under to meet the three year commitment. Dave Obermeyer has been selected by the committee to represent the St. Mary's family.

5.8 Selection of Chair for 2008-09

Tabled until November 12th.

6. Adjournment

Motion: Manuel da Silva

Seconded: Daisy Fedyna