



## Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School Council

Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Attendees – Gino Montanari, Sammi Khachi, Holly Roberts, Bernadette Madill, Lenie D'Souza, Tracey Taylor, Lily Gall, Rose, Clarence Walters, Lorraine Gallant, Nikki Rang, Suman Khan, Karen Ditoro, Joanne Jones, Liam Dick, Gina Altieri, Rima Masri, Baseem Masri, Claire Peace, Roldolfo Rivas, Sondra Rivas, Angelina Wolicht, Daniel Walicht.

### Welcome - Gino

### Opening Prayer – Prayer led by Lily

### Introductions- All

### Approval - Karen

- ❖ Agenda: No additions made by those present
- ❖ Meeting Minutes- Handed out to all from October 4<sup>th</sup>. No comments received. Gino recommended that a copy via email be sent to Cindy for the school website.  
Both items from Oct 4<sup>th</sup> moved by Karen and second by Tracy and Nikki

### Principal's Report – Gino

- ❖ Spoke regarding the growth of the school, portables likely next year. Introduced Liam the new student rep. Successful Pink week raised appx 4-5K, great we scare hunger campaign over 2000 cans collected, successful grade 9 'Take your Kids to Work Day', Grade 8 visit.  
1<sup>st</sup> ever Evacuation Drill went well: police and fire on hand and school was evacuated within 5 min (WELL DONE)  
Evacuation drills will happen 2 x a year, 6 fire Drills will be conducted.
- ❖ HCDSB Strategic Plan Report: presented on projection screen. 5year cycle 2016-2021. Available info @ [Bit.ly/FocusOnStudents](http://Bit.ly/FocusOnStudents)
- ❖ Uniform Provider: by the end of Dec. R.J McCarthy will no longer be the school uniform provider. InSchoolwear will take over. However, all RJ McCarthy uniforms will be accepted till worn out and can be sold and purchased at the used school uniform sale. A possible hoodie may be incorporated as a new piece in the Uniform kit. Gino will be considering the question asked regarding the warrantee honored by McCarthy from the new Provider.  
**Question asked:** Are teachers involved completely in school clubs? **Answer:** YES

### Chair's Report - Karen

- ❖ Council of Chairs Meet 3 x a year. CPIC –Made up of people in Halton region. Community of teachers, parents etc..  
webinar opportunities for information. IE. Children and stress.
- ❖ JV Website- Parent Council page update – **Lily**  
update on website in the works, will include all activities and events. Minutes of the meeting. There will be a Gmail account added where parents can make direct comments and give feedback.
- ❖ OAPCE meeting: Prov. Body of parent giving them a voice. School Board taking a Math initiative – EQAO based now a Standard B therefore there will be a focus on Math  
Session Nov 8 all parish reps and chair.  
upcoming conference in May date TBD
- ❖ Draft calendar of events- **Karen**
  - **Dec Holiday Social (Tracy)** Bowling at Champs  
poll will be set up and taken for a proposed date.  
possible pot luck TBD  
encouraging family schools possibly to be involved somehow in the new year.
  - **Jan Fitness and Game night**  
confirmed to be an event for council and families not a larger scale.
  - **May Movie night on Sports Field**  
confirmed event to be held, possibly have a bbq or a catered dinner from Troys  
Dinner along with the movie to combine 2 events
  - **June BBQ**  
cancelled event, possible as a discussion for Sept
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### **Student Representative – Liam**

Pink week was successful. A lot of money raised for breast cancer. We scare Hunger campaign raised 2500 cans.

Good night Sleep Campaign with St Benedict Parish

School event – 1<sup>st</sup> period classes will get a person's name who is in need. They will raise money to collect as a class to then purchase items and gifts Christmas presents to that individual. Gifts will be passed to the Parish to be further distributed.

Crate delivery to Africa in progress.

Good Shepard project will take place in Dec for people in Poverty who will get food stamps and students will have the opportunity to accompany them in shopping to bring their spirits up

### **Sub-Committee Activities**

- ❖ **Parent Engagement - Sammi**
  - Multicultural Dinner-date Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>  
community event – Student and parents involved to bring in cultural foods, silent auction, entertainment.  
incorporate the Art classes or Families to contribute cultural art.  
get parents involved to make meals for the event|  
continue to get the community restaurants to contribute meals.

### **❖ Faith Development - Lenie**

- Adult Faith Formation Series- Thurs. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>  
Flyers passed for social night by Father Jim  
Father Jim sent Thanks to those involved re: retreat  
The Catholic Woman's League is having a Spiritual retreat Dec 10 9-12pm  
free to all those interested  
Christmas Masses will be held at OLF school

❖ **Used Uniform Sale - Karen**

Provide gently used uniform to raise money for the school  
looking for Volunteers please send Karen an email if interested  
incentive : if 3 items are donated by a Grade 12 student they will get an open civi's  
day during the exam period.

**Karen Moves to Adjourn the Meeting and Joanne Second's.**

**Next School Council Meeting: Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm, JV Library**