

**MINUTES OF MEETING
O'GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL
CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 2011**

PRESENT: Mrs. L. Clausi, Mrs. L. Belisle, Mrs. T. Rogers, Mr. J. McGee, Mr. M. Pollon, Mr. D. Berthier, Mrs. L. Madore

REGRETS: Mrs. B. Ritchie, Mrs. K. Canie, Ms. K. Marks.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Mr. Pollon.

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was read.

Feedback on budget process for school board.

2. Adoption of Minutes of January 12th, 2011

A correction was made for the Board responsible for the school calendar. It should have read CSDNE.

MOVED BY Mrs. Clausi, SECONDED BY Mrs. Rogers
that the minutes be adopted with the above correction.

CARRIED

3. People for Education on-line survey - Mrs. Rogers

Mrs. Rogers completed the survey by the deadline. Mrs. Rogers shared the answers and stated they are the same every year. Mr. Berthier stated that he spoke with Mrs. Rogers on the phone before submitting the final response. The survey is available at the office for review. Mr. Berthier thanked Mrs. Rogers for completing the survey.

4. School Uniform - Update on sweater - Mrs. Lafreniere is still away - Deferred.

5. Suggestions for Parent/Teacher Interview follow-up

Discussion ensued on whether or not we should do a survey for the entire school. Mr. Berthier explained that the final report cards in June are always sent home. Final Report cards for Semester 1 were handed out to students in homeroom. Mr. Berthier explained that a letter went home explaining that a survey will be available for parents, teachers and support staff to complete. Students will complete the survey on line during school time. A copy of the letter is appended to the minutes for information.

Further discussion continued on the possibility of obtaining wireless for students to use in the school. Mr. Berthier explained that if wireless is considered there will be very strict policies in place. The concern of students access to sites such as Facebook was discussed and cyber bullying. Questions were asked whether or not we do not move forward because 5% of the school population use technology inappropriately or do we move forward.

Mrs. Rogers asked if the results of last year's survey are available on the Board Website and Mr. Berthier said they are not.

Mr. Berthier explained that three or four questions will be generated through the school the rest will be more generic. The goal is to use the results of this survey to start planning for next school year. We have been asked to create the question and Mr. Berthier will review the questions and contact the school chair for assistance.

6. Draft letter from Mr. Berthier re: School Website

Mr. Berthier explained that he presented School Council's request at the last Principal's meeting and the answer is that we will continue to go through the board website. Mr. Berthier explained that sending a letter on behalf of School Council would not change anything. Mr. Berthier will continue to get the website changed so we have a rolling calendar as this would allow us to make changes as needed. We will continue to send messages home via Synrevoice .

7. Reaching Out Grant - Update from Mr. Berthier

Mr. Berthier informed School Council that Father Francis McKee will be visiting Timmins the weekend of March 26th, 2011. He shared the e-mail he received indicating that Father McKee is asking for the cost of his flight. Mr. Berthier feels this is a great opportunity and we could tie it to the evening session. Father McKee is coming to speak to students during the day. It would be an excellent opportunity for School Council. Mr. Buhler spoke with Father McKee and Mr. Berthier will follow-up with him and forward summary to Mr Pollon.

8. School Improvement Plan (SIP) - Update

The letter has been posted on the website.

9. Lockdown Procedure Update

Mrs. Rogers wanted to know how it went. Mr. Berthier explained that the police were here but didn't come into school. Constable Marty Delich is the person leading school lockdown procedures. We will do a full lockdown in the spring blocking off the streets and students in red zones will have to exit the school and go to a safe area. Mr. Berthier was pleased with the drill.

10. Board budget

Mr. Berthier handed out memo received from the Board office. There was discussion and it was decided that one questionnaire would be completed. Feedback is to be sent to Mr. Pollon who will then forward it to Louise to type

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 3rd for planning purposes of Father McKee's

12. Adjournment

MOVED by Mr. Berthier, seconded by Mrs. Rogers
that the meeting adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Mike Pollon
Chair

Darren Berthier
Principal

Louise Madore
Recorder