



*MAY 2 – MAY 7, 2010*

**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL**

**School Council Meeting**

**Monday, April 26, 2010**

**7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**\*\* Library \*\***

**MINUTES**

**In Attendance:**

T. Copenace  
Teresa Gallik  
Lorelei Gordon  
Mara Karle

Carolyn MacCormack  
Kathryn Makl  
Brenda Ossachuk  
Norine Schram

Bérangère Thibault  
Lorelei Van Belleghem  
Paul White  
Dean Woodbeck

1. **Prayer**

D. Woodbeck

2. **Celebrating our Learning Community -  
Sharing Our Story** (5 min.)

- 2.1 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test – The response from the students was that the test was easier than the practice test. Results are not yet available.
- 2.2 Senior Travel Club Trip to Europe – All comments following the trip were positive. One of the tour guides commented that our group was one of the best groups that they have ever taken. Mr. McIsaac will be planning the next trip for 2010.
- 2.3 Band Fundraiser at Boston Pizza was very well received.
- 2.4 Board Presentations – Jo Krisko and Bob Kowal presented on OFSSA and thanked the board for their support. Interest in music has now increased to the same level as sports.

3. **Principal's Forum**

- 3.1 System Retreat at Andy Lake, May 8<sup>th</sup>
  - R.S.V.P. to Sister Maria by April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 3.2 District Review (see attachment) – principals from other schools will be visiting to provide input on how we are doing.
  - Breakfast on May 25<sup>th</sup> for teachers
  - St. Louis and SMB have already been visited by reviewers
  - May 25<sup>th</sup> – Intermediate Review
  - May 26<sup>th</sup> – Secondary Review

3. **Principal's Forum (cont'd)**

- 3.3 Graduation – June 25<sup>th</sup> - There has been discussion about whether to have a mass prior to the grad ceremony at the church or at the school. For numerous reasons, it was decided to hold the mass at the school immediately prior to the graduation ceremony.
- 3.4 Alumni and 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – we are looking at starting an alumni group to build school spirit. Presently looking at a goal and mission statement, for all extracurricular activities (not yet academic). The first step is to build an email mailing list for information distribution. Mr. Robertson has volunteered to take a role in the organizing.
- 3.5 The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is coming up in 2012. Next year some money will be set aside in the budget for this. The expectation will be two times the number of people invited. Liquor is not permitted on school grounds. One of the suggestions is to have it the weekend before or after Harbourfest.

4. **Orientation to:** New Art room and Update to Multi-Skills Centre.