



BISHOP RYAN ALUMNI MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2011

Present:

Father Cote

Nadine DelCol

Lou Friscolanti

Antoinette Krusto

Hermon Mayers

Anna Mitchell

Lydia Pellizzari

Liz Re

Dan Smith

Joe Spatazzo

1. Call to order

2. Prayer

3. Opening remarks

Lou thanked all committee members for their work and commitment.

4. Adoption of Agenda

No additional items. Accepted.

5. Review of Nov.30/10 Minutes

Liz reminded Committee that honorarium for student who prepared video has not been paid.

Nadine will issue a cheque for his honorarium.

Liz will forward to Anna student's registration form for honorary alumni membership.

No further additions/deletions. Accepted.

6. Reports:

Treasurer's Report

Financial statement has been provided to committee members.

Nadine reported the bank account is in a surplus position.

Nadine will connect with Pat Palmieri re: security invoice from Pub Night.

Registrar's Report

Anna provided Alumni registration numbers to date:

72 registered memberships

66 paid
5 owing
1 honorary

Liz suggested committee consider presenting future membership honorariums as a way of encouraging young people to join.

Motion: To present an Alumni Association honorary membership annually to the out-going Student Council President.

Moved by: Lou

Seconded by: Liz

Accepted.

7. Motion from Pat McKechnie

Part A: "To sell disc from Father Cote's birthday celebration/Pub Night for \$ 10.00 as a fundraising venture."

Part B: "To have disc as a membership door prize for the proposed cruise."

Liz felt that cost of disc too high. She relayed that Jerry Graham can add additional pictures to disc. Committee discussed \$ 5.00 cost for disc.

Revised Motion: To sell disc from Father Cote's birthday celebration/Pub Night for \$ 5.00 as a fundraising venture.
To have disc as a membership door prize for the proposed boat cruise.

Moved by: Pat McKechnie

Seconded by: Nadine DelCol

Accepted.

8. Summary of proposals/suggestions for future direction

1. Boat Cruise late May, early June
2. Golf Tournament early Fall
3. Casino bus trip Winter
4. Niagara wine tour Spring/Summer
5. Group charter to sporting event: seasonal
(ie Blue Jays, Raptor, Sabres, Bills, Leafs, Ti-Cats, Bulldogs)
6. Annual Featured Years event
7. Wine & Cheese after BR/Newman football game(Father Cote trophy): Fall
8. Recreational evening: basketball, volleyball
9. Family Picnic Summer
(consider using new Camp Marydale/CYO facilities)
- 10.Lasagna Night Winter

Dan Smith was contacted by Floriana Ventresca regarding a planned '76 Reunion for weekend of April 29 and 30, and has asked him to contact staff.

Hermon was contacted by Felicia Sciamanna regarding an '86 Reunion, and she has asked if school logo can be used. Committee felt that Alumni Association should be made aware of such events, as they are a reflection of Association and School. Committee also felt that such events could be part of "Featured Years". Committee discussed extending an invitation to Floriana and Felicia to attend a meeting to make a formal presentation regarding their event.

Motion: Any person/group planning an Alumni event/Reunion must make a formal presentation to Alumni Association for approval.
Moved by: Joe
Seconded by: Liz
Accepted.

9. Boat Cruise

Committee discussed tentative dates for boat cruise. Lou suggested a subcommittee be formed and asked for volunteers. He will email Cec regarding boat cruise date, and meeting date for subcommittee. Antoinette, Lou, and Lydia have volunteered to sit on subcommittee, with Cec, Ange and Pat McKechnie. Price of tickets, door prizes were discussed - subcommittee to make decisions and bring to Alumni Association for final approval. Discussion took place about possibility of co-joining cruise with a Featured Year. Committee felt may be too small of an event. Anna raised idea that non-members would need to pay more than Alumni members for events.

Motion: To set a tentative date for Boat Cruise of Saturday, June 4, 2011
Moved by: Lou
Seconded by: Liz
Accepted.

Motion: To have Committee set a separate price for members and non-members for any future events.
Moved by: Dan Smith
Seconded by: Antoinette Krusto
Accepted.

10. Survey monkey

Committee discussed using this as an outlet for advertising Featured Years. Summary of proposals/suggestions could be sent via Survey monkey, and ranked by Alumni according to preference. Peter Rogers has connected Anna Mitchell with website. Anna has volunteered, along with Lou, to create wording/questionnaire for survey.

11. New Business

Hermon relayed that there are no further updates regarding new school at this time. He will be meeting with the Superintendent on January 19.

Father Cote thanked Anna Mitchell for her preparation of Christmas greeting sent via E-vite.

Hermon will forward copy of constitution to Mike Silvestro for scanning on to Alumni website.

Hermon relayed that there is no set date for football fundraiser (helmets), and will connect with Aldo.

Anna reminded Committee that a decision be made on a prize for the draw for all registered Alumni-their name will be entered in the draw to be held on Cruise night. Alumni will not need to present to win.

Lou suggested that the Cruise subcommittee will research the prize.

Father Cote suggested that the Alumni registration form be including in email when promoting future events.

Lou will research "a disclaimer" that can be used for our official website- warning people of bogus sites.

12. Date for Next Meeting

March 1, 2011 @ 7:00 pm
Bishop Ryan Staff Room

Forward any agenda items for next meeting to Lou Friscolanti.

13. Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Bishop Ryan Alumni Association
Financial Statement
January 18, 2011

Income Statement	
Revenue	\$3,570.49
Memberships	\$1,575.00
Event proceeds	1,288.00
Donation	\$5.00
Anniversary proceeds	702.49
Expense	(\$1,464.46)
Event expense	(1,414.56)
Bank charges	(49.90)
NET income	\$2,106.03

Assets	
Bank Account	\$2,106.03
Cash	0.00
	\$2,106.03

Event Pub night / Fr. Birthday

	Expense	Revenue	Net proceeds
Event proceeds		1,288.00	1,288.00
Bar proceeds		1,288.00	1,288.00
Event expense	-1,414.56		-1,414.56
L Frisolanti, liquor license	-75.00		-75.00
A. Mitchell, frames & pins	-45.00		-45.00
BR, cake, water, pop	-325.42		-325.42
BR, supplies	-175.30		-175.30
BR, alcohol	-693.84		-693.84
Student, video & DVD	-100.00		-100.00
Net proceeds	\$ (1,414.56)	\$ 1,288.00	\$ (126.56)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2010

Present:

Cecelia Carter-Smith	Pat McKechnie	Ange Restivo
Father Cote	Lois Mercanti	Peter Rogers
Lou Friscolanti	Anna Mitchell	Dan/Anne Smith
Antoinette Krusto	Lydia Pellizzari	Joe Spatazzo
Hermon Mayers	Liz Re	Dave Strecker

1. Prayer

2. Opening remarks

Lou thanked all committee members for their hard work, creativity, energy in making the November 5 Pub Night/Father Cote birthday celebrations a successful event.

It was well organized, well planned and well received by all and feedback included many positive comments.

Lou thanked Anna for great job with registration and Evite, and thanked Liz and Cec for their hard work in organizing birthday celebrations.

He stated that Father's comments were very important regarding his fellow priests.

Lou commented that Alumni is off to a great start.

3. Treasurer's Report

Bank account balance as at Nov.28/10:	\$ 3,170.49
Memberships.....	1,255.00
Event proceeds.....	1,288.00

See financial statement for further details.

Nadine has asked that any remaining receipts be forwarded to her.

Motion: To repay school for cost of cake.....\$236.00

Moved by: Nadine

Seconded by: Lou

Liz will obtain receipt from school.

Nadine will be ordering cheques from bank.

Maureen and Dave Suave donated Tim's coffee/tea – thank you card will be sent.

Ken DiBartolomeo – catering paid.

Security was \$ 180 – Pat P. made arrangements.

Liz suggested a gratuity be given to the student who prepared video/burned DVD's.

Motion: To present student with \$100.00 gratuity and honorary membership to Bishop Ryan Alumni Association

Moved by: Pat McKechnie

Seconded by: Liz Re

4. Registrar's Report

To date: 56 full memberships
3 associate memberships
(9 additional memberships from tonight's meeting).

Anna will deposit \$ 1,475.00.

She reports 25% of Alumni that registered for membership did not get an Evite.
Alumni info and flyers were distributed during Parent-Teacher evening.

5. What's Next.....Future Direction

Committee discussed need to get younger alumni involved – something to consider at future meetings.

Anthony Falconi was very helpful during November 5 event.

Discussion took place regarding future events/initiatives

Cec and Ange planning a boat cruise for June – hoping for 150 people.

Motion: To explore the concept of a boat cruise and to set a date at the next meeting

Moved by: Lou

Seconded by: Liz

Antoinette suggested a golf tournament, which she offered to organize.

Dave suggested a casino/bus run, wine tour, or attend a sporting event – this would appeal to the younger alumni.

Peter suggested starting an annual event, possibly in November, such as "Featured Years".

Idea is to have class reps to represent 5 year blocks - example: '62-67, '68-'72, etc. These reps will start to gather Alumni names and emails to assist with increasing Alumni roster.

A specific group would be chosen for "Featured Years" and it can be connected with other events such as a football game, or can be worked into an anniversary year such as 25th, 35th, etc for the graduates.

Open to all alumni. Focus would be on specific groups.

A committee would need to be formed.

Dan reported that there is going to be a reunion for the '76 class for their 35th Anniversary – could possibly start with this group.

Hermon suggested the spring football evening would be a good night to publicize the Alumni Association.

Cec suggested a "wine & cheese" event after the BR/Newman game.

Inaugural presentation of Father Cote Trophy.
Can be publicized through the email list.

Committee suggested having a 50/50 draw at a Ticat game.
Hermon will look into the possibility

Motion: To look into starting up a committee for Peter's concept of "Featured Years"
Moved by: Lou
Seconded by: Pat M.

Cec suggested using our 900 contacts on email listings and sending out a Christmas greeting as well as reminding Alumni of the great success of November 5 Pub night.
Anna will look into gmail – e-card – CSV spreadsheet
Peter will connect Anna with his contact in Toronto for the spreadsheet.
Lou will do message for e-card.

Motion: To proceed with emailing Christmas greeting to all Alumni.
Moved by: Cecelia
Seconded by: Ange

Dave suggested sending out a survey to Alumni so that they may rank future events by preference, and get their feedback.

Motion: To send out a survey to Alumni for ranking of future events.
To send as a separate email from Christmas greeting.
Moved by: Dave
Seconded by: Antoinette

Suggestion was made to remove the invite of Father Cote's birthday from the school website and replace it with the mission and vision statement.
Email Mike regarding this.

Hermon will speak to Mike about putting pictures of Father's birthday on website.

Antoinette has asked that the spring football evening not be too close to date of cruise.
Hermon will speak to Aldo regarding this.

Suggestion was made to have a draw for a prize for registering with Alumni Association.
Possibly on boat cruise.....do not have to be present to win.

Motion: To be entitled for eligibility for a prize on boat cruise as part of registering with Alumni Association.
Moved by: Lou
Seconded by: Peter

Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 18, 2011 @ 7:00 pm, Bishop Ryan Staff Room

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Suggestions for agenda for next meeting are to be forwarded to Lou.

Wednesday, October 6, 2010 Meeting

Present:

Julie Anzecchini	Sandra Harrington	Lydia Pellizzari
Cecelia Carter-Smith	Hermon Mayers	Liz Re
Father Cote	Pat McKechnie	Ange Restivo
Nadine DelCol	Lois Mercanti	Peter Rogers
Aldo D'Intino	Anna Mitchell	Joe Spatazzo
Lou Friscolanti	Pat Palmieri	Dave Strecker

1. Call to order.

2. Opening prayer.

3. Adoption of Agenda.

-Website, Finance update

4. Approval of Minutes-Sept.25

5. Welcome to New Members

-Lou welcomed Nadine DelCol (accepting the Treasurer position), and
Lois Mercanti, (accepting the Communications position)

6/7. Reports:

November 5 Social

Julie prepared a flyer outlining details for the Social Night for distribution.
Father Cote's 80th birthday presentation will be in Auditorium 7:00-8:00 pm.
Social will be held in gym C/D from 8:00 pm – 12.
No admission charge-donations of non-perishable food items for local food bank.
Cash bar-beer and wine \$4 each or 3/\$10, soft drinks/water – last call will be at midnight
Liquor licence ordered - Lou will pick up.
Music by Ron Palangio Group - (Antoinette Krusto, Frank Rocci) – gratis.
Hermon will contact Coca-Cola rep for discount - pop/water.
Bartenders required – some staff will be available.
Sandra Harrington will upgrade her Smart Serve – possibly through on-line course.
Genuine Bakery-Ken DiBartolomeo- will cater food, and provide servers.
Tables will be set up for ticket sales for food/liquor, and table for Registration.
Hermon will inquire about obtaining 20 tables from Board.
Cocktail tables to be ordered x 10
Julie and Liz will look after chips/snacks for tables.
Senior football members will be assisting with parking, set-up, general assistance and clean up – they can wear football jerseys.
50/50 draw to support football team's recent purchase of new helmets.
Students will be usher/usherettes for dignitaries, Father's family, assisting with questions, etc.
Students will man non-perishable food boxes.
No tickets for coat check – use classroom.

Parking – students required to assist with parking for the evening.
Julie will contact Laurier School re: use of their parking lot.

Nadine relayed that cash boxes and float will be required-2 stations/4 cash boxes.
Cheques may be made payable to "Bishop Ryan Secondary School".
If new bank account set up by Nov. 5 – then cheques can be made payable to the "Bishop Ryan Alumni Association".

Liz will email Lou with date for Subcommittee meeting, re: set-up, etc.

Birthday Celebrations:

Formal presentation (25-30 min.) in Auditorium from 7:00-8:00 pm.
Cec will present a 10 min. biographical video.
Father will say a thank you speech - Followed by meet and greet, cake/coffee in gym.
Liz Re will be the MC for the evening.
Hermon Mayers will be speaking on behalf of Alumni.
Photographer will be required – possibly a student.
Liz will have students prepare videotape/pictures.
Julie will obtain name tags/markers.
Lou will obtain flowers.

Advertising for Social:

Anna will send out Evite before Thanksgiving – RSVP’s can be sent back via Evite.
(Over 900 Alumni email addresses from 50th will be used)
Anna will register gmail address-“Bishop Ryan Alumni Association” will be official name.
There will be a website for registration information for Alumni Association:
www.br.hwcdsb.ca, and click on Alumni tab for Registration form.
Forms can be mailed in, or printed/completed and brought in to Social Night.
Evite site will list responses alphabetically, and will tally numbers of attendees.
Anna and Mike Silvestro will maintain an updated list.

Hermon will invite Principals and Vice-Principals.
He will inform School Council parents that their children are helping out and will extend invitation to them.
He will contact Stoney Creek News.
Sign, in front of school will be used for advertising of Alumni Social/Birthday Celebration.

Cec will publish article in The Hamilton Spectator – October 23 highlighting Social Night.
Cec submitted a brief story to Community Calendar at CHCH, and submitted a lengthy historical piece to Paul Wilson-“We are BR 3” – Father’s 80th birthday, opening of new school, construction of Ryan’s Walk, etc.

Pat P. needs wording for Cable 14 – he will speak with Cec as to wording.
Lou suggested best advertising is “person to person”.
Sandra suggested posting on “Facebook“ wall.
Father Jordan – will notify Clergy.
Julie will look into whether First Class notification has been received by teachers, and will inform Lou.
She will contact Board about a dedicated line for a “taped message” on voicemail.
Peter volunteered to contact past staff members of when Fr. was at BR.
Lois will look into posting on Halton, Niagara and Haldimand School Board sites.

8. Mission/Vision/Constitution

Subcommittee (Father Cote, Lou, Ange, Peter, Pat M.)
Father presented newly formed Constitution, discussion took place with Committee.
(Constitution document attached with details on Mission, Vision, and Membership)
Nadine relayed that bylaw documentation will be required to obtain special charity status.

Motion: To approve Constitution

Moved by: Lou Friscolanti
Seconded by Joe Spatazzo

9. Up-date on New School

Progressing well – tenders to Board next month.

10. New Business

Website:

Don Henderson will be working on official Alumni website that will be accessed through the Board site in the new year.

There will be a registration tab, member list, pictures posted, etc.

Finance:

\$ 700.48 remaining in 50th Anniversary bank account.

Pat M./Father Cote will close account.

New account will be opened by Lou/Nadine for Alumni Association.

11. Next Meeting Date:

Thursday, October 28 @ 7:00 pm - BR Staff Room

Christmas Social/Wrap-up Meeting:

Tuesday, November 30 @ 6:00 pm

Valentino's Restaurant (Mohawk & Upper Ottawa)

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:35 pm – accepted.



Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: BR Staff Room

Present:

Father Cote

Aldo D'Intino

Lou Friscolanti

Antoinette Krusto

Hermon Mayers

Pat McKechnie

Anna Mitchell

Mary Nardini

Pat Palmieri

Lydia Pellizzari

John Pusztai

Liz Re

Peter Rogers

Joe Spatazzo

Dave Strecker

Rocco Viola

1. Call to Order

2. Opening prayer

3. Adoption of Agenda – approved.

4. Additions to agenda

- a. To augment the Pub Night social on November 5 –Father Cote’s 80th birthday will be celebrated with a small reception from 7-8 pm in the Auditorium.
Fr. Charlie Jordan has volunteered to notify clergy in the parishes.
Voluntary donations in Father’s honour may be made to the “BR Fund”
Slide show presentation set to music.
Forward any historical pictures of Father to Liz Re by Oct. 22....a student from Arts Program will be scanning pictures.
Was there a photographer from 50th that may have pictures?
- b. New Business – Registration of Alumni

5. Minutes of May 25 – approved.

- correction made to Lou Friscolanti’s name
- Two key positions remain open on Executive Committee....Publicity and Treasurer.
- Dave Strecker has volunteered to be part of History and Heritage Committee.
- BR Staff Retirement presentation...plans are continuing to progress.

6. Opening Remarks.

Lou Friscolanti thanked Committee members for their commitment and dedication. Feels it will be a successful committee with a good foundation to sustain concept of BR Alumni Association.

7. Football Fundraiser

Aldo relayed that fundraiser to be held on September 24 will need to be postponed to a later date.
Football helmets have been ordered – cost \$ 6,000 – (budget available \$ 2,500)
Further info to follow as plans progress.

8. November 5 Pub Night

A subcommittee has been formed to organize structure for Pub Night.
Hermon, Lou, Aldo and Pat P. have volunteered to sit on subcommittee.
They will meet in BR Conference Room on September 21 @ 1:10 pm
Plans will be finalized for advertising/communication, catering, liquor licence, set-up,etc
Invitation extended to Cec to attend meeting as she may be able to help facilitate advertising.....sports story with tie-in to new school and pub night .

Focus of Pub Night should be advertised as a social gathering, a night to have fun and connect with friends from high school, with music, food and drinks.

Committee discussed ideas for the format of evening - have a visual presentation of new school, have school plans available for people to view, introduce Acting Committee, music, introduce constitution (to be very brief), talk about groundbreaking Ideas such as a homecoming concept, or an athletic event that we would attach to school were discussed.

There may be senior football playoffs at that time

Communication and registration processes for this event were discussed by Committee.

Filling publicity position is key at this time, as electronic communication needs to be completed as soon as possible due to timeline.

Committee has asked that John Pusztai approach Andrew Ciprietti to take on Publicity/Communication position.

If Andrew is agreeable, he is to contact Anna Mitchell for Alumni database.

Lou will ask his daughter if interested in webmaster position

Ron Marini relayed to Father that he would assist with publicity.

9. Mission/Vision/Constitution

Decision was made to have subcommittee make a formal presentation at next meeting in October.

Lou has suggested that it be kept simple and straightforward.

10. Up-date on New School

Hermon relayed new school plans moving along very well.

Site is being prepared/graded presently.

Discussions/negotiations are taking place between Board and Ministry.

Projected population of 1445 students (present numbers 1334)

Building is designed to house 2,000 students.

No official groundbreaking date presently - possibly in the Spring

New School completion date.....2012-2013

Dave Morrissey's staff providing pictures of the progression of site to Board.

Father and Hermon met with Classical Stained Glass Company regarding windows and Company's suggestions have been forwarded to the Architect.

11. New Business

a. Registration for Alumni Association

Discussion took place regarding pre-registering alumni vs. registering on Pub Night
Anna Mitchell and Pat M will use emails provided at 50th Anniversary - approx. 900 names listed on database.

Pat M. has list of lifetime members from 35th Anniversary.

"Evite" may be used as one of the communication tools.

Other tools discussed were Facebook, link on school website, school sign, local papers
Mike Silvestri relayed that Don Henderson is working on active link to school website.

Suggestion was made to post Alumni registration forms on school website..... they can be printed, filled out and brought to Pub Night with money.

Registration process can also be made available that evening in hallway.

If there is someone on your email contact list...forward information/invite to them.

Cheques for lifetime membership of \$ 25.00 may be sent to the School -tray will be set up in main office.

Various options discussed for electronic payment – ex. Pay Pal
Bank account will need to be set up for Alumni Association.

b. Pat M. will contact Nadine DelCol to inquire if interested in Treasurer position

c. Bank account for 50th Anniversary has remaining funds of \$ 500.
Two people required to close account - possibly Father and Pat M. will go to bank.

d. Lydia met with Cecelia on Sept.16 in follow-up, as she is unable to attend the September 21 subcommittee meeting.
She is planning to write a column in The Spectator for Saturday, October 23.....
Two BR grads who are presently playing varsity sports-young man and a woman.
Will tie-in Pub Night social and rich traditions of BR alumni. Invite all alumni to come out and get reacquainted.
Possibility of advertising in "Around Town" in Monday Spectator, "SNAP" for October, Scott Thompson Show...900 CHML.

12. Next meeting

Wednesday, October 6, 2010 @ 7:00 pm
Bishop Ryan Staff Room

13, Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.
Moved by: Peter
Seconded by: Joe

Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Valentino's Restaurant, Upper Ottawa

Present:

Cecelia Carter-Smith	Rob Marini	Pat Palmieri
Father Ron Cote	Hermon Mayers	Lydia Pellizzari
Aldo D'Intino	Pat McKechnie	Liz Re
Lou Friscolanti	Lois Mercanti	Ang Restivo
Antoinette Krusto	Anna Mitchell	Peter Rogers

- 1. Call to order.**
- 2. Opening prayer.**
- 3. Adoption of Agenda** – approved.
- 4. Review of April 14, 2010 Minutes.**
Corrections:

Page 2, #5(c) memorial plaque will not be offered with each paid membership.
Page 3, #6 Pat M. will not be researching Lady of Fatima statue location.

Father Cote will work with Mission and Vision statements that he currently has and will prepare a final copy for next meeting.

Motion: To approve April 14, 2010 minutes
Moved by: Cecelia
Seconded by: Father Cote

5. Reports

(a) Alumni Association "Acting Committee"

Constitution Committee nominated Acting Executive for Alumni Association.

Term of office - May 25, 2010 to September 30, 2011

President: Lou Friscolanti
Vice-President: Peter Rogers
School Principal: Hermon Mayers
Secretary: Lydia Pellizzari
Treasurer: (Open)
Events-School Liaison: Pat Palmieri
Registration Chair: Anna Mitchell
Publicity & Communications Chair: (Open)

School History & Heritage Co-Chairs: Cecelia Carter-Smith, Ang Restivo

Committee discussed need to create position for a Webmaster to maintain website.

Committee agreed to 2 different entities - Publicity position and Webmaster position.

Suggested names for "open" positions may be directed to Father Cote.

Cecelia suggested she may be helpful in some capacity with media/publicity.

Discussion took place on possibly asking Lou's daughter for webmaster position.

Committee was informed of a bogus website based in U.S. called "BR High School Alumni & Reunions" inviting people to pay \$10.

Peter has joined as faculty to determine what is involved in this site.

(b) November Social Night

November 5, 2010 in school cafeteria.

Suggestions required for event name – need catch phrase.

Father has been asked to speak at St. Mary's 40th Anniversary and will mention social.

Committee suggested publicizing social at other events/through media/school newsletters and First Class.

No admission fee/cash bar/food.

Discussion took place of possibly charging minimal amount for food.

Antoinette Krusto has confirmed her group will be playing for the evening.

Menu suggestions – pizza, nuts/pretzels, possibly porchetta on a bun, drinks 3/\$10.

Suggestions made by Committee to bring non-perishable food items.

Name of agency being supported should be made known once decided upon.

Hermon relayed there will be a football Pub Night in September.

This event would assist in paying for new helmets (25 helmets to be replaced, 40 to be re-certified).

The committee felt this would not interfere with Nov. 5 Social, but would be a chance to make more people aware of our event.

(c) BR Staff Retirement

Two members of BR staff with longterm service will be honoured with a certificate of recognition on June 15.

This will also be helpful in promoting Alumni Association.

Discussion took place with regards to criteria for choosing these individuals.

Suggestion was made by Committee to postpone staff retirement until Pub Social night.

Possibility of announcing it at last assembly and presenting invitation to honourees to attend November Social.

Lou will email Pat P. regarding suggested names of honourees.

(d) 50th Anniversary Golf Shirts

Pat M and Anna Mitchell have delivered all remaining golf shirts to Alumni.

Motion: To turn over all property of 50th Anniversary to Alumni Association

Moved by: Pat M.

Seconded by: Cecelia

6. New Business

Hermon reported that Director's office is considering room names. He proposed to Board that naming of certain areas after individuals be continued.

Second Steering Committee meeting will be in the near future.

Cecelia discussed importance of meeting timeline and following formal process for room naming for the formal opening.

Hermon waiting to hear from Board regarding publicity for school – tie in Alumni, Social night at the fall groundbreaking. Stoney Creek News to cover – date to be announced.

Board will have a billboard with artist's conception - will also be on school website and feeder schools.

Hermon has had a favourable response from Knights of Columbus in regards to help with new Chapel.

Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 7:00 pm, BR Staff Room

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn meeting at 9:00 pm.

Moved by: Liz Re

Seconded by: Cecelia

Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Staff Room

Present:

Cecelia Carter-Smith

Aldo D'Intino

Lois Mercanti

Lydia Pellizzari

Cathy Corbacio

Antoinette Krusto

Pat McKechnie

Liz Re

Father Cote

Hermon Mayers

Pat Palmieri

Joe Spatazzo

1. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 7:10pm

2. Opening prayer

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To adopt agenda

Moved by: Antoinette Krusto

Seconded by: Lois Mercanti

4. Approval of Last meeting Minutes

Liz Re volunteered to be an alternate recording secretary when required.

Motion: To approve March 22, 2010 minutes

Moved by: Cecelia Carter-Smith

Seconded by: Liz Re

5. Reports

(a) Social Night

- Hermon suggested postponing social night to the fall for additional preparation time and to potentially coincide with end of football season.
- Suggestion made to keep event at the school site. Father will cancel booking at St. Mary's Hall.
- Notify Alumni via email/letters.
- School staff to work on preparations during summer.
- No fee/cash bar/food will be provided. Joe will inquire about liquor licence.
- Cecelia suggested non-perishable food donations.
- Antoinette's group will play for the evening.

- Aldo will have further information at next meeting re: football schedule.
- Social Committee open to suggestions.

Motion: To postpone Social Night to Friday, November 5, 2010
 Moved by: Liz Re
 Seconded by: Lois Mercanti

Motion: To move Social Night to school site
 Moved by: Antoinette Krusto
 Seconded by: Joe Spatazzo

(b) Mission Statement and Vision Statement

- Mission and Vision statements were submitted by Pat M. and Ang Restivo.
- Recommendations were made by Committee and final approval at next meeting.
- Forward further suggestions to Father.
- Suggestions were made to advertise Alumni Association at upcoming events: St. Mary's 40th Anniversary, CYO Awards Night in June, Parent Conference, First Class (Board), Website (Mike Silvestro).

(c) Membership Fee

- Discussion regarding fees for lifetime membership of either \$ 25 or \$ 30.
- Committee suggested Alumni will need to know what funds will be used for and a resolution will need to be approved.
- Suggestions were made to set up an Alumni booth at celebration of new school, and possibly offer a memorial plaque with each paid membership to be placed on back of seats.
- Aldo suggested Alumni funds be directed towards memorabilia for new school, as there is no wall of honour.
- Pat M and Lois will research 50th Anniversary forms for interested Alumni, and for those who paid \$ 5.00 at 35th Anniversary for Alumni Foundation.

Vote taken: To direct entire Lifetime Membership fee to Alumni Association
 All in favour.

Motion: To establish \$ 25.00 fee for Lifetime Membership
 Moved by: Pat McKechnie
 Seconded by: Liz Re

(d) Chapel

- Liz Re reported that Architect, Achim Klass, has procured a "vine and branch" theme for Chapel cross.
- Architect has a vision for chapel which may not allow for stained glass to be used.

- Committee feels windows should be incorporated in new school – possibly on Chapel door, or other prominent location with spotlights behind.
- Discussion by Committee regarding procuring windows from Hanover parish, as well as storage location for windows over next two years.
- Recommendations were made to write a formal thank you letter to Hanover parish which would allow for documentation for securing stained glass.
- Hermon offered to store windows at present school site, and will inform Mr. Klass that Committee would like stained glass windows used somewhere in new school.
- Further discussion required with Mr. Klass for placement of old altar or stone in new school.

Motion: To procure stained glass windows for proposed new school
 Moved by: Cecelia Carter-Smith
 Seconded by: Pat McKechnie

Motion: Desire expressed to incorporate stained glass windows in a prominent location of new school.
 Moved by: Father Cote
 Seconded by: Liz Re

6. New Business

Hermon will put forward naming of Chapel to Board – “Father Sean O’Sullivan”.
 Awaiting response from Mr. DeSordo re: monument wall, and will meet with Pat Amos re: naming of rooms.
 School picture and blueprints will be ready by November social.

Recommendations were made for final naming of Social Night:
 Celebrate the Dream “Pub Night”, “Legacy Continues” , “Celebrate the Green Dream”
 Liz will take suggestions to Social Committee.

Cecelia suggested advertising Alumni Social at two upcoming events in May:
 Cathedral event - 1 page sheet for distribution on tables in cafeteria
 St. Mary’s 40th - possibly buy an ad in Program.

Discussion took place surrounding Our Lady of Fatima original statue.
 May have been donated to Notre Dame in Waterdown. Pat M. will research.

7. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn meeting at 9:10 pm.
 Moved by: Antoinette Krusto
 Seconded by: Cecelia Carter-Smith

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 25, 2010 @ 7:00 pm
 (Social and Meeting)
 Location to be announced**

Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 22, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Staff Room

Present:

Cecelia Carter-Smith	Pat McKechnie	Liz Re
Father Cote	Pat Palmieri	Ang Restivo
Hermon Mayers	Lydia Pellizzari	Mike Silvestro

1. Opening Prayer

2. Additions to Agenda

- a) report on new school website b) Chapel (altar)

3. Review of February 10 minutes

#5: Room Naming

- Hermon will investigate Board policy regarding official room naming procedures for new school site.
- Sketch of new school will be presented to Board end of March.
- Aim is to get a person from this Committee to sit on Board's Steering Committee.
- Cecelia suggested a public calling to past faculty for room names; ensure women are recognized.

#11: Wall of Distinction

- Cecelia advised further clarification required as to who is to take responsibility for organizing wall/ who are the people to be honoured.
- Hermon will speak with Westdale principal and Mr. Smith regarding suggestions as to how to generate plan for the Wall.

Father Cote obtained DVD of 50th Anniversary containing photos and pre-registrants, and obtained hard copies of walk-in registrant forms.

Previous website designer may have back-up to site – Felicia will contact him to inquire.

Hermon will check with Julie as to inputting hard copies of walk-in registrants.

Motion: To accept February 10 minutes
Moved by: Cecelia Carter-Smith
Seconded by: Pat McKechnie

4. Reports:

a) Constitution for Alumni Association

- Pat M. provided a proposed draft of Mission Statement and Membership details.
- Cecelia suggested sense of “warmth”, important as to how it is received.
- Overall mission statement to be very brief - preserve legacy of BR/catholicity
- **Committee members to email Father Cote with suggested wording for mission statement.**

Full Membership:

- Suggestions for some wording changes were made by Committee.
- Liz suggested graduates can be members.
- Remove entitlements

Associate Membership:

- Remove minimum age
- Cecelia suggested changing “shall not be entitled” to “we welcome you to sit on sub-committees”

Membership Fees:

- Price of “lifetime memberships” to be determined next meeting (\$25 or \$30)
- Honour 35th Anniversary names for lifetime memberships.
(Pat M’s draft of Mission Statement and Membership attached)

b) Chapel

- Stone removed from original altar and presented to Achim Klass (Architect) who would like to incorporate into altar at new school site.
- Inscription found on back. Dedicated by Archbishop O’Sullivan (Dec. 1956)
- Fr. Cote presented pictures of stained glass windows that he researched from Holy Family Church in Hanover.
- Recommendation made by Committee to have them installed in new chapel.
- It was suggested that Achim Klass view them for design and window measurement purposes.
- Cecelia suggested use some windows for “chapel door” and “principal’s office” and have commemorative plaques.
- Mike Silvestro will organize the pictures on a memory stick for the designer.

- Father will contact Mr. Klass to discuss details.
- Liz reported that Mr. Klass has procured a “vine and branch” theme for cross.
- **Committee to assist with locating cross from original school** – it was suggested that Dave Morrissey may have knowledge of location.
- Pat P. suggested a prayer book in new chapel to honour memoriums.
- Architect will not be incorporating statue of Virgin Mary in new school.
- Suggestions were made to donate statue to Sisters of Notre Dame or, a feeder school. Statue will need to be refinished in a neutral colour.
- Father suggested possibility of having a “reconciliation room” in chapel - private area with music.
- Committee will contact Student-Council Teacher Advisor regarding future Council donations to the chapel.

5. “Celebrate the Dream” Social Night

- May 28 date not available at K of C hall.
- Father will inquire about availability for June 4 or June 18.
- Suggestions were made for alternate sites such as St. Mary’s Hall (Mulberry St.) or Afro-Caribbean Hall.
- Aim will be to re-unite Alumni, and update them on future Alumni Association, and provide details of new school site.
- Hermon could provide new school blueprints for the evening.
- No entrance fee. Use monies in Alumni Fund.
- Suggestions were made to have raffles, 50/50 draw.
- Advertising for social will need to commence shortly.
- Hermon suggested begin with Parent-Teacher interview night - April 29
- Point Team will begin planning/advertising phase of the social night with assistance of committee members. (H. Mayers, L. Re, P. Palmieri)
- Suggestion was made to use Antoinette Krusto’s group for entertainment.

6. Update for New Website

- Mike Silvestro provided details of new school alumni website.
- There will be a link from school website to “Alumni site”. (tab on rt. side of page)
- There will be list of features such as: Registration, Photo Gallery, Reunions, Forums, Searches, Security – please refer to handout given out at meeting.
- Possible future features: Anecdotes (history from former alumni), and Registration form
- Features to be built-in gradually.
- Don Henderson (Board) willing to work with Alumni Association to maintain site.
- No cost for website. Once site established -Mike suggested have an alumni be responsible for maintaining it.
- Mike will work on a plan for using site as a tool to notify Alumni of June social.

Motion: To adjourn meeting
Moved by: Father Cote
Seconded by: Hermon Mayers

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 7:00 pm – Bishop Ryan (staff room)