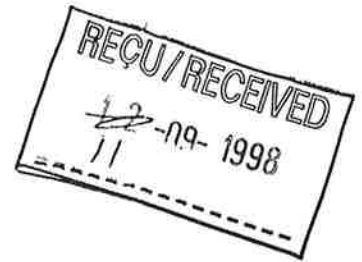


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To: TSU Reps.

From: Victor Mio, Father Henry Carr S.S.

Here are a couple of ideas that might improve our present state of affairs.

1. Create a committee of teachers at every school in order to compile a list of parents who they believe would attend an information meeting. English departments would probably be familiar with a large proportion of the student body and, as a result, teachers could carefully select parents that they deem responsible, for example those who would normally attend Parent Nights. The committee would then personally contact each parent and inform them of the upcoming meeting.

It would be the responsibility of the committee to **create a script of as many anticipated questions, with comprehensive answers**, as possible, so that the meeting could be genuinely informative. This would be done in the hope of persuading parents to help sway public opinion in our favour. Reasonable people will, I believe, accept the simple truth that more students to teach, with less time to do so, would result in a lower standard of education.

Questions and answers could be shared amongst school communities, and parent meetings could take place in community centres or church halls. This must be done very soon or I fear, as the present climate would indicate, that we will be on the street for a month and, possibly, even more.

The simple facts are just not getting into the public consciousness but if every school organised such a meeting, as described above, the effects might be far reaching indeed.

2. The second suggestion would be to ask every teacher, as well as anyone they knew, to **call the City Pulse poll line**. Since hundreds of thousands of people watch City TV daily, it could not possibly hurt us one iota to dial the number. The number in favour of the teachers is **870-2242**. As I type this note, the numbers are about 2 : 1 against us on this poll.

I hope that these thoughts may be of some use.

Sincerely,