

False Creek Elementary School

Parent Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Opening:

The meeting of the PAC was called to order at 6:05 pm on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 with Larissa Warrington in the chair.

Present:

Larissa Warrington, Susan Knight, Gail Taylor, Rob Hastings, Michael Milner, Michael Scott, Maria Conde, Kathleen MacDonald, Moyra Rodger, Erin Cathcart, Chloe Sample, Bruce Murton.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved. Moved: Gail, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Maria, Carried

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting were approved. Moved: Susan, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Maria, Carried.

3. Business Arising

No business Arising

4. Guest Presentation: Ms. Jody Wallace (Division 3) – Update on Job Action

- Jody advised what is and isn't being done during the current job action.
- Teachers are still assessing and recording student achievements
- A hand-out was sent home with the students explaining the teachers' side of the job action.
- Waiting to hear from the labour board regarding BCPC regarding report cards and docking pay for administrative
- [www.bcedplan.ca](http://www.bcedplan.ca) – click on "Engage" to see discussion threads
- [www.bctf.ca](http://www.bctf.ca) – to discuss what the teachers have concerns about
- If there is any concerns regarding a specific child the teachers have been contacting parents. If a parent has concerned you can contact the teacher and they will give feedback

5. Reports

- a. Principal's Report (Bruce Murton) – See attached

Notes arising from reports:

- The Report cards – the VSB superintendent is holding off to see what ruling comes down from the LRB.
  
- b. Staff Requests – Ms. Burney – Motion “To increase the knitting budget to \$400 (a \$200 increase).”, Moved: Gayle, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Michael, Carried.
- c. Treasurer’s Report (Susan Knight): See attached financial statements.
  - Investigate the cost of a new cover for the foam crash pad or (depending on cost) a new crash pad.
  - Investigate a primary music program.
- d. Communication (Larrisa):
  - New website should be up and running shortly.
  - Bulletin board ideas.
- e. Fundraising (Larissa, Kathleen):
  - Entertainment Books – have concerns about the negative selling.
  - Christmas Cards sales - \$267.00 for 16 hours of volunteer time
  - Brushstrokes – invitations will be going out this week
  - Direct donations – is on track to meet our target
  - Hot Lunch Program – Kathleen suggested possibly going to a weekly lunch program. The concern is the school has no kitchen to accommodate. But it will be investigated.
- f. Sports and Recreation (Larissa):
  - Curling is confirmed for the new year.
  - Hip Hop is also scheduled for the new year.
- g. Social (Erin and Chloe):
  - Brushstroke Gala is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 pm
- h. Environment (Manisha):
  - Has secured a community garden spot. Grade 7 class is going to plant daffodil bulbs
  - Battery recycling is underway
  - Chloe made a suggestion regarding recycling juice boxes
  - Concerns were raised regarding food allergies.

Motion to approve the report: Moved’ Gail, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Moyra, Carried

6. New Business:

- a. Lunch Routine (Larissa):
- b. Sinks in the girls’ washroom (Larissa);
- c. Multicultural Dinner
- d. Thank you to the custodians for all the great work they are doing this year.

7. Motion to Adjourned:

Moved: Moyra, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gail, Carried

Next meeting: Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012