



Princess Margaret School Council

Minutes Mar. 24th 2009 6:00-8:00 p.m.

<p>Welcome, Intro, Review of Feb. Info & Chairs' Report 6:00 15 mins. (CB)</p>	<p>Attendance: Christine Beswick, Stacey Ramunno (new community rep), Michael DiStefano, Robin McBurney, Heather Montgomery, Christine Nilsson, Debbie Lapere, Amy Hendershot, Denise Hannah, Angela Duford, Marilyn Milani, Todd Halliday</p> <p>Chair's Report Amazing Race - gameplan was discussed, and AR Committee established including Robin McBurney, Amy Hendershot, Angela Duford, Denise Hanna, Todd Halliday, Stacey Ramunno, Christine Beswick, Michael Distefano Volunteers - thanks to everyone that signed up on the volunteer sheet! You guys rock! Breakfast Club Update - Council was informed that Celeste Smith had been released from her duties as BC Co-Ordinator and we are going to interview anyone that is interested. Denise Hannah and Christine Nilsson would like to go on the interview list for consideration of a shared position.</p>
<p>Membership Co-Ordinator 6:15 5 mins. (CN)</p>	<p>Not many surveys handed back by parents about what they want from Council. Strategies were discussed as to how to increase more response from parents. A new survey explaining what our purpose and mission is, will be developed and handed out. Possibly use a class prize as incentive, whatever class brings back the most surveys will get a pizza party (or something)</p>
<p>Breakfast Club Update 6:20 10 mins. (CB)</p>	<p>BC Co-Ordinator needed ASAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Co-Chairs and Principal will be interviewing for this position. Or may leave until next year with Mike running behind the scenes in the interim. ■ A grant for new countertops will be applied for, Christine Nilsson has volunteered to take that on
<p>Treasurer's Report 6:30 5 mins. (HM)</p>	<p>What do we have? \$5100</p>
<p>Fund Raising Report 6:35 20 mins (CB/MD)</p>	<p>What do we need to do to reach our goal of \$10 K? \$5000, we are halfway there. Upcoming fundraisers: Upcoming - Dance a Thon: scheduled May 14th Spirit Wear Fundraiser? Comedy Night (CB for Wendy McIntosh) - Wendy is organizing a comedy night with 50% profits coming back to council. We will be given a block of 150 tickets, selling for \$20 each and we will pocket \$10 for every ticket sale, and will also be running a raffle and 50/50 draw. Council is in favour of this fundraiser. Mother's Day Flower Sale - as suggested by Robin McBurney, details to follow</p>

<p>Principal's Report 6:55 10 mins. (TH)</p>	<p>An Update from Todd Halliday Curriculum Updates- 10K in Nielson Literacy books for Grades 3-8 with the exception of Gr. 4 Staff Updates - Principal Jennifer Riberic has taken a leave and will return to the classroom in the Fall. We are thrilled to welcome Todd Halliday back to PM.</p>
<p>New Business 7:05 20 mins. (CB)</p>	<p>Amazing Race - Sub Committee has been developed, see Chairs Report minutes on that matter</p> <p>Volunteer Recognition and Appreciation - we will be starting this program very soon to ensure that all of you that are working so hard know how much we appreciate you!! Included in this will be a "Council Member of the Month" recognition, and we will be putting Council faces on our bulletin board to introduce ourselves to parents</p> <p>Council Socials - this will occur datewise in concert with our meeting schedules so as not to disrupt any other time for Council. All future meetings will be evening meetings, and socials will begin at Johnny Rocco's after the meeting is adjourned.</p>
<p>2 mins No Response 7:25 10 mins (CB)</p>	<p>So that we don't have the situation where someone comes to a meeting and feels they were not heard, each member present may choose to speak for 2 mins without interruption. The topics must fall under the umbrella of the council's mandate and be professional and solutions based. Following the entire group's chance to speak, the co-chairs and/or principal may choose to address topics raised or, if suitable, add them to the next agenda.</p> <p>RM - would like to do a plant fundraiser that requires very little labor for around Mother's Day, will have more information for us next month</p> <p>RM - also would like PM to recognize Earth Hour and is wondering what we planned for that</p> <p>TH: Yes, there are plans in place for this.</p> <p>AD - Liked the idea of having a Green Club of students that could assist in garbage pickup and overall environmental health of the school and property</p> <p>HM - School parking lot is always an issue. We only get it gravelled twice a year by the city. Can anything be done about this?</p> <p>DL - has seen a school sign with itemized dating on it that is easier to read with both signs saying the same. Can we start incorporating this as well?</p> <p>MD - yes, there is an arrangement made with student government to share the sign responsibilities. This has already been put in effect.</p> <p>SR - can we (Cataract Kids) start gardening in the courtyard during the summer?</p> <p>TH: Yes, it is free for the daycare to use. Heavy pots are not allowed.</p> <p>SR - also would like PM spirit days to coincide with Cataract Kids spirit days. Is there any way these calendars can be communicated to the daycare?</p> <p>TH: Yes, the information will be put in the CK mailbox that is located in the office.</p> <p>CN - concerned about the litter issue around school.</p> <p>TH: Balanced school day is resolving this issue, there is much less garbage than in years past.</p>

Actions 7:35 5 mins (MD)	Who? CN RM	What? Can we do spirit wear sales? Wants to set up a plant sale for Mother's Day	When? For next agenda. For next agenda.
Adjournment 8:00 PM	Scheduled for 8:00 PM. Meeting Officially Adjourned at __8:30 P.M._____		
Tentative Meetings:	Next meeting April 16 th , 6:00 P.M. with Council Social following at Johnny Rocco's		