



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Cloverdale Traditional PAC OSM Minutes from Meeting March 30th, 2010.

Welcome

- ❖ Accept February 23rd Minutes – Moved by Maia Garland, second by Marlee Wilson
- ❖ Any additions to the agenda? Yes: Inspector Edwards, feedback request re parent workshop, GIC.
- ❖ Accept the agenda – Moved by Kim Crane, second by Michelle Rolands

21 people in attendance

* **Childminding notice** – Make sure to sign in and sign out your children. Big thank you to Natasha and Lynn for helping us out.

Inspector Trent Edward 7-8 minute presentation

Police department is seeking external input from the community in order to update their Strategic Planning process. Inspector Edward talked about the “No call too small” philosophy that is part of the existing plan. The input will be used to adjust the plan to better meet the needs/wants of our community. 2 ways to participate:

- ❖ Online survey – takes about 15 minutes
- ❖ Community meetings – open dialogue, need to pre-register. Contact information available from the PAC Executive.

Deadline for the survey is Mid-June. When you participate you will be entered in to a draw to win 1 of 10 Ipod Nano's.

Principal's Report: Kathy Upton

- ❖ April 8th. Christine McGregor is coming to our school to hold a workshop about anti-bullying. Starts 6.30 pm in the library and is open to everyone.
- ❖ April 14th. Pink Shirt day. Details to follow about the assembly. Pink t-shirts available at London Drugs for \$5. Navy bottoms should be worn. Preschool can join in.
- ❖ Reading Extravaganza started. Parent volunteers needed. Homereading encouraged. Sign up for Homeconnect to get reports about your child's progress and access tools to help you find books within your child's level.
- ❖ FSA results back. Only 52% of our Grade 4 participated.
- ❖ April 19th An aboriginal musician is coming to the school to entertain the children
- ❖ Uniform survey. 61 responses thus far.
- ❖ Satisfaction survey. Will collect data used to work on planning for the school's future goals. All surveys are 100% anonymous.
- ❖ Welcome Mrs. Petrovic to the OSM

Parent comment/concern: Do NOT read!! approach of this year's Reading Extravaganza. Irony lost on the smaller children and sends mixed messages to the children. Request for more information on how to become one of the three lucky children who get to lead Mrs. Upton to the Mall in a Winnie the Pooh outfit.



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Vice Principal's Report: Christine Patterson

- ❖ Grade 5 basketball jamboree
- ❖ Track will be starting on May 26th.
- ❖ Math Arcade – Available to our school April 22nd-May 4th. 19 different activities for K-7. Family fun night suggested with passports to be stamped. Turn Math into a social event. Parent helpers needed for the event to assist/monitor the children. Bins will be going out to the classrooms.

Treasurer's Report: Melissa Nute

- ❖ This month child minding expense and the monthly crossing guard bonus
- ❖ Smile cards brought in \$232.53 for a total of \$1529

Parent concern/comment: preschool families are not receiving newsletters hence are not informed about the Smile card program or any other fundraising efforts. Action: To make sure that the Preschool parents get the Newsletters. Newsletters are also available on the School's website.

VCPAC:

www.vcpac.ca Online survey about the 2 week Spring break Please give feedback on your experience.

Old Business:

- ❖ **School Sign Update** – permit went through with some minor adjustments. Request for installation was sent to the School Board today.
- ❖ **Campbell's Labels** – 8500 labels to date. Teachers requested coated foam soccer balls and Bill Nye the Science guy DVD's. Pinnies were suggested. Focus will be on these 3 suggestions. An K-2 anti bullying game and musical instruments were also discussed. Online catalogue available at the labelsforeducation website.
- ❖ **PAC social** – April 30th will be tied in to the Math Arcade
- ❖ **GIC** – Ken presented a chart with interest rates on GIC's from a number of different banking institutions. Many new questions arose. Concerns raised about being non-cashable, tax implications, \$10 000 amount leading to restrictions. Other options were discussed. Action: to ask Leslie about potential taxes. More research needed to decide if it is a viable option or not.

New Business:

- ❖ **Year end dance** – June 18th. Genita volunteered to head the committee. Volunteer sign up sheet went around the room.



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- ❖ **Nominations committee** – OSM in May is the AGM. Nominations committee needed to run the election.

Motion: Propose that the nominations committee chair be Maia Garland. Moved by Stacey Haase, second by Gillian. Motion passed, all in favour. Deadline for nominations will be April 20th and will be announced at April's OSM meeting.

- ❖ **Grade 5 year end recognition** – Suggestion to create a miniature yearbook for all Grade 5 students and to make this an annual event. Photos of all the students with space for them to sign.
- ❖ **PAC fundraising survey** – 15 responses thus far. Results will be presented at April's OSM
- ❖ **Field** was discussed. Aeration will be done regularly. Grass needs to have time to establish. Donation board is posted outside the gym and the donation plaques are being made.
- ❖ **Request for feedback** – self esteem workshop. Positive responses with request for more time to elaborate outside of the handout.

Meeting Adjourned.