CKES School Council

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 13, 2010 7:00 p.m.

CKES Staff Room

ATTENDANCE		
Valerie Royle, Chair, Council Member	Marj Hlady, Principal	
Paula Stoker, Council Member	Judy Prevost, Vice-Principal	
Les Hickey, Council Member	ncil Member Joan Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer	
onica Lauer, Council Member Regrets: Julie Hopkins, Council Member		

SUBJECT:		
1. Call to Order - 7:05 p.m.		
2. Opening Prayer		
3. Meeting Minutes for March 2, 2010 - Approved as presented by council		

ACTIONS

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Paula Stoker, Seconded by Les Hickey – Minutes of March 2, 2010 meeting approved. CARRIED.

- **4. Agenda** Other business added.
- **5. Principal's Report:** Marj presented a report on school events for March and upcoming events in April.

March:

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- March 2: Lenten Celebration
- o March 4: Report cards go home
- March 8 19: Spring Break
- o March 24: Cross-country skiing for Outdoor Ed
- March 30: Holy Week Celebration
- **6. Additional Classroom Space** The school and council have been working on addressing the lack of space within the school and Val Royle recently prepared a comprehensive document that was distributed to members earlier for review which outlined 8 options which would potentially allow the creation one additional classroom within the school by utilizing and renovating existing space. The 8 options outlined the various pros and cons of each. Val and Marj met with Property Management to review the options and PM consulted with an engineer on any structural requirements. As a result of reviews and considerations, including structural limitations or requirements (e.g. the location of an existing firewall), the option being presented is that the current staff room would become a Kindergarten classroom and the existing resource room would become the new staff room. Renovations would be required in both spaces (e.g. improved sound proofing, changes to lighting, new furniture in staff room, etc.). The department will review this option and any costs for renovation.

7. Recycling Shed – The new recycling shed needs a lock and Judy will call Chris to acquire a lock and hopefully he will be able to install the lock to the shed.

Paula, Monica

Judy

- **8.** Painting of the school Marj indicated that the school would be painted this summer. Paint colour choices would be needed and council is asked to help choose. **Lead for council**: Paula & Monica. They will contact Property Management to obtain assistance with choosing paint colours for a school.
- **9.** School Growth Plan Marj provided council with an update on the School Growth Plan. The main focus at this time is maintenance of the SGP and implementation of the Professional Learning Community (PLC). The main focus of the PLC at this time is 'reading for meaning'. Julie Arnold, consultant for YG on the School Growth Planning process indicated to Marj that the school has made significant progress with their PLC and focusing on one important topic at this stage is a very good approach.
- **10.** Parking at the School (drop-off and pick-up) Paula indicated that a couple of parents have raised concerns with safety when dropping off and picking up their children in front of the school (along Nisutlin Drive). There have been a couple of close calls experienced by parents. Council discussed the issue of student drop-off and pick-up as well as parking in general at the school.

One suggestion raised by council to try help address the specific concern rasied at this time with the area in front of the school (Nisutlin Drive) was to move the sidewalk in front of the school and move it up along the fence. Also as suggestion was made to move the fence a few feet toward to the school and into the playground area to allow more room.

Council also agreed that the drop-off and pick-up area at the school on Nisutlin Drive is a concern with school buses arriving and departing; parents are dropping children off across the street (former CYFN building area); and a bottle-neck of traffic at the intersection of Nisutlin with Lewes Blvd. in the morning and afternoon during drop-off and pick-up times. There is generally a lack of ease of flow of traffic, parking and drop-off or pick-up area at the CKES. Council agreed that these are complex issues but ones that need to be addressed in the short and long-term.

Val

Val will contact the City to inquire as to whether or not the City could move the sidewalk.

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11. Staff Appreciation Lunch (May 21) - Lead: Paula

When: Friday, May 21 - 12:00

Where: Multi-purpose room & kitchen

Food Items:

Les – meat chili, rolls
Val – vegetarian chili
Monica – salad and punch
Joan – biscuits and a dessert
Paula – dessert

Joan,Les

12. Family BBQ (June 4) - Lead: Joan & Les

Preparation for the school family BBQ begins soon with booking including booking propane BBQ and getting BBQ forms sent home.

13. Grade 7 Grad Mass - Marj is organizing the music for the Grade 7 Grad Mass this year. Val Royle will be singing at the mass.

14. Secretary- Treasurer Report:

<u>Financial:</u> Budget to Actual was presented to council. Updated Budget statement provided.

Items:

- Rainbows Val informed council that the a signed report and receipts have been submitted by Ms. Robbins for the Rainbows program. Council agreed to issue a cheque to the school for Rainbows at this time. A cheque was issued to the school at the meeting for the budgeted amount of \$1000.
- o Receipts submitted for Joint Council Meeting Members have all submitted final receipts for reimbursement.
- Food for Learning Julie absent. Defer to the next meeting.
- Second Allotment for School Council Funding Agreement the second allotment under the new 15 month reporting cycle is expected after April 1. Not yet received.
 Joan to contact Bob W. and inquire if it is not received by the next meeting.
- Bank account balance: \$ 9145.70
- Landscaping Project account balance: \$ 2983.30

15. Other Business:

- i) Meeting with Parents of Grade 5 students in Intensive French-Compressed English program A meeting is not planned at this time but instead, the May School Newsletter will provide an invitation to parents to come to the school and talk with staff and administration about the program. The school will also provide some additional information in the newsletter for parents on the program, e.g. information on Canadian Parents for French. There will also be an opportunity for parents to learn about the program during the Grade 5 meeting night held in the fall which will be noted in the newsletter.
- **ii)** New Staffing Formula Marj explained to council the new staffing formula that is being introduced by the department. Council asked questions and raised concerns regarding lack of increase in staff allotment at CKES considering the significant increase in number of students attending the school. The chair of the school council will be preparing a letter outlining council's questions and concerns.

Marj

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Monica

iii) Bags with Logo – Monica is working on trying to place logos onto bags. The cost to have a printing business do the logos onto bags is somewhat high. Monica is trying to make the bags with the logos on them herself, manually. However, new printers use crayon based ink and the logo smudges. Old printer ink may work better but it is quite a challenge to track down an old model printer with old type of ink. Monica will continue to investigate.

13. SUMMARY UPCOMING EVENTS:

DATE	Event	Time/Location	Lead or Contact
Fri. May 21	Staff Appreciation Luncheon	CKES @ 12:00	Paula
Thurs. June 3	Grade 7 Grad Mass	Sacred Heart Church	Julie, Val (singing)
Fri. June 4	Family BBQ &Silent Auction Fundraiser	CKES @ 5:00	Les, Joan
Sat. Nov.14/10	Craft Fair fundraiser	CKES 10:30/11:00	

14. *Next Meeting*: Tues., May 11 at 7:00 p.m.

15. Adjournment: 9:35 p.m.

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