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# **Your School Council**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday October 29, 2013**

## **Attendance:**

Meg King (Co-Chair) ; Lianne Ouellette (Co-Chair); Nicholas Olmstead (Treasurer) ; Mala Khanna (Secretary) Michèle Tartatcheff (Principal); Robin Valentine Golding (Teacher Representative)

## **1. Reports**

- ✧ Principal's report - March 7 is a possible unpaid PA day. Teachers are allowed to take up to 5 during the course of the year. Teachers and Principal redid the SIP in the course of the KWL. Progress reports going home Nov. 7 with interviews the 14th and 15th. Scholastic sale happens at the same time. Newsletters always go out on the 9th of the month.
- ✧ Teacher's report - Teacher's were thrilled that Council has offered to pay for Scientist in the Class as well as a bus per class. Skating for the primaries in Jan/Feb. Knitting club has started with about 35 grade 2's, and 20 grade 3's.
- ✧ Treasurer's report - presented report to those present.
- ✧ Co-chairs - BBQ was a smashing success. Mini-putt was a good addition but reduced revenues slightly. Parkdale Food Centre is the charity of choice at the moment and a portion of future revenues will be directed there. Excess revenue from last year (approx \$8,000) will be split up in two payments: one chunk now, another in January/February. There is a wish list of items from the teachers which mainly comprises various tech items. Lianne: Council will be sending out their own newsletter this year in coordination with the school one. The directory is in the works.

## **2. Upcoming Events**

- ✧ Hintonburg Public House is hosting an artwork event during the month of Nov. Nov. 10 will be a family event for parents to bring kids. All money raised will be directed towards Council.
- ✧ Council holiday party: given the lack of December meeting, this would be a meeting somewhere else, for parents with libations.

### 3. ARC Update

Lil & Chris presented the slideshow from the Oct. 24 public meeting.

Questions from presentation:

- ⤴ Option A - resolving the security issues is going to be difficult with the D&T room in the middle of the proposed k-6 wing.
- ⤴ Play structures are not provided by the board. Parents may need to fundraise.
- ⤴ Option C - With option A, there might be a focus for the parenting community on getting the physical aspects of the school up to scratch, but with the C option it would be more focussed on the programming aspects instead. Comments: Option C seems the least disruptive in terms of renovations.
- ⤴ Are we flexible enough for C1? Boundaries are flexible absolutely.
- ⤴ Option G - can't leave the kids alone but with this option there wouldn't be the 6's to watch the kids. It might necessitate paid lunch monitors.