

PAC Executive Meeting
Minutes
Ecole Sperling School
Tuesday, May 15, 2006 6:30pm

In Attendance:	Iva Vincalek	Vice-Chair
	Luba Banuke	Principal
	Bettina Charpentier	Treasurer
	Moira Rockwell	Secretary
	Ross Powell	Fundraising: Parent Donation
		Emergency Preparedness
	Carolyn Sluis	Co-Chair Parking and Safety
	Pat Ratcliffe	Member at Large
	Trish Alsop	Speakers
	Ruby Chow	Lice Control
Regrets:	JR Westgate	Chair
	Sheri Evans	Fundraising Chair: Parent Donation
		Millennium March/Co-Chair Parking
	Dena Domijan	Head Teacher
	Karen Hum	Hot Lunch
	Yvonne Chand	Hot Lunch
	Tony Wong	Web Page Designer
	Veronica Tsang	Christmas Crafts
	Rob Sawyer	Emergency Preparedness
	Carol Cosco	SPC
Karen Dalla Tina	CPF	
Amanda Ashton	SPC	
Maureen Mah	YES	

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm.

Announcements

After consulting with Maywood Elementary School, Ruby Chow proposed a possibility of Sperling School adopting a family that has been affected by the recent fire. A fundraising drive will be organized when Ruby has a profile of a family that we can help.

Carolyn Sluis will e-mail other Burnaby Schools regarding the above situation and perhaps getting them involved.

PAC would like to extend a big THANK-YOU to Karen Hum and Yvonne Chand for organizing and coaching Track and Field.

Principal's Report

The Ministry of Education has passed new bill regarding class compositions and class sizes. Class sizes for intermediate grades 4-7 and grades 8-12 will have no more than 30 children and 3 special needs children per class. District average is 28 students; some schools have 30-32 students per class. There have been no changes for primary grades.

Primary classes have been very busy getting ready for the upcoming concert; there have been lots of rehearsals and hard work being put into it.. Music from Around the World is this years' theme. The first concert is on Wednesday, May 10, 2006 for Matinee and Evening performances, second performance will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2006. Due to the number of primary children the concert will be divided into 2 groups so everybody could be accommodated.

The Multicultural Dinner is on May 18, 2006, food will be set up in the gym and the undercover area will be used for a seating area. Organizers have informed that there have been 387 tickets sold.

Organizers for this event have requested some support for purchasing tablecloths.

Money for raffle tickets will into the Gaming Acct.

Children and their families are encouraged to perform the night of the dinner, so come on out and have some fun and show your talent.

Parent and Teacher appreciation luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2006. Parents will contribute main dishes and teachers will contribute desserts.

Sports Day will be held on Friday, June 16, 2006.

Some teachers and parents have expressed the possibility of participating in starting a Community Garden.

Treasurers Report

Bettina Charpentier advised the following:

FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT

Teaching resources/home reading program – all money has not been spent.

Red Cedar Books – Vesna Kanjer will be purchasing books.

Library/Resource Support – needs to be spent.

Classroom Sports Equipment - will check to see what equipment needs to be replenished.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Music Room - \$988.00 needs to be spent.

EXPENSES

French Fine Arts Presentation – needs to be spent.

Digital Projector System, Laptop and accessories have come in under budget @ \$3,597.00.

\$10,000.00 will be left in Basic Expenses for 2006/07.

There was a discussion to cover coverage for field trips. **MOTION** to cover coverage put forward by Pat Ratcliffe. **MOTION SECONDED** by Ruby Chow. **MOTION PASSED.**

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UPDATE FOR ENROLMENT AT SPERLING

49 French immersion students – Kindergarten class (children in-catchment)

25 English

Lots of cross boundary applications

2 Full Kindergarten classes

1 Kindergarten/Grade 1 (21 students)

389 Students registered 2005/2006

420 students (2006/2007)

Music Room will be in 2nd portable.

Parking and Safety

Please note Adair Street will be opened by Thursday.

Hycrest Street will be closed for 2 weeks. Carolyn Sluis has spoken with the city of Burnaby and they will try to have the street opened at 9:00am and 3:00pm, but no promises.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.