

**BELMONT PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT BELMONT SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**February 5, 2008**

	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Don Grant, Stephanie Longstaff, Annemarie Holmwood, Meagan Blacquiere, Janice Foulger, Heidi Harms, Corrie Stevenson, Barb Shalkowsky, Charlene Burles, Caroline Bailey	
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	7:03 pm with <b>Introductions</b>	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	Agenda was circulated Motion: Heidi Harms 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Charlene Burles <b>Approved.</b>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>	Minutes of January 15, 2007 were not circulated. Reminder: circulate and approve at next meeting.	Kathy Middleton
<b>BUSINESS ARISING</b>	Kindness Crew: no update. Discussion whether to spend the money elsewhere. Amount of work involved and funds necessary for Challenge Day? Admin has still not looked into either possibility and PAC is still hoping to invest in something that will help change the culture of the school.  Archiving PAC docs. There is some room at Belmont.  15 passenger vans: Belmont has opted not to ban the vans, but to limit the use to when there is no other option. There is a safety report from Regina and on Pro-D Feb. 15 our district will hold a 'seminar' on safe driving of these vans. Don Grant passed the info to Muzz Bryant who is passing the message along to the drivers.	Don Grant  Don Grant and Kathy Middleton
<b>PRINCIPAL'S REPORT</b>	Semester One Exams went well. Fewer kids wrote them as more of them became optional. Next time perhaps an email should be sent to advise parents there is no regular school during exam week.  Grad Photographer set up at school.  February 13. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester meet the teacher 7pm in South Gym.  February 15 is a pro-D day.	

	<p>February 26 Career Fair. Help may still be needed.</p> <p>Belmont using BCeSIS program, no longer HARTS.</p> <p>Negotiations started to help transition incoming grade 10's who have 'gaps' in Language Arts and Math.</p> <p>Tutorial Blcok. Still fine-tuning with staff as to how this will be implemented. Hopefully by the end of the month.</p>	Stephanie Longstaff
TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>Details attached.</p> <p>Approximately \$3,000 balance. Will this go to Challenge Day activities? Needs to be looked into.</p> <p>Iron Chef was successful.</p> <p>Request for Earth Science field trip funding to Observatory for admission in the amount of \$161.00 Motion: Caroline Bailey 2<sup>nd</sup>: Corrie Stevenson <b>Approved.</b> Advise Kay of approval.</p>	<p>Don Grant</p> <p>Don Grant Charlene Burles</p>
COMMUNICATION REPORT	Nothing new to report.	
PAC/SOCIETY REPORT	Nothing new to report.	
SPEAC REPORT	<p>School Closures: Glen Lake drafting letter for parents Public meeting coming mid-February regarding Glen Lake closure General feeling that communities are not prepared to sell school land EVER</p>	
SPC REPORT	<p>Three areas of concern: Communication: BCeSIS- new computer program for school Learning outcomes to teachers, then to parents Transition: Identifying incoming Grade 10's with difficulties Learning Needs: implementation of cosmetology course, Camosun Ace-it carpentry, AP classes</p> <p>Meeting in a month to review the plan</p>	
PROM REPORT	No report.	

<p><b>PRESIDENT'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>"Shattered" movie about Teens and Crystal meth. Open screening Sunday night (Feb.9) at the Roxy.</p> <p>School newspaper started by Samantha Rozon. Distributed this week.</p>	
<p><b>STUDENT'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>10,000 tonight was not as successful as last year but still managed to fill the food bank with 14,000 items. <b>Congratulations to Meagan Blacquiere for spearheading this worthwhile night.</b></p> <p>30 hour famine coming in April.</p> <p>BC Student Congress coming up in the beginning of April.</p>	
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>Future of Belmont. Brian Fox unable to attend tonight, will try and re-schedule for April meeting. Will ask if he minds inviting middle and elementary schools. Email invitation.</p> <p>Teen Driving workshop March 4. (Next PAC meeting). open up to Edward Milne, Pacific Secondary, Dunsmuir and Spencer. Send notice to those principals.</p> <p>Send out a reminder notice to Belmont parents regarding the teen driving workshop Career Fair has requested \$200.00 to go towards food for presenters. Motion: Charlene Burles 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Foulger <b>Approved.</b></p>	<p>Stephanie Longstaff</p> <p>Don Grant</p> <p>Don Grant</p>

Motion: Janice Foulger

2<sup>nd</sup>: Heidi Harms

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

**NEXT MEETING April 1, 2007**

Annemarie Holmwood  
Vice- President, Acting Secretary

Stephanie Longstaff  
President