

**Belmont Parent Advisory Committee Meeting  
Held at Belmont Secondary School**

**Nov. 18th, 2008**

**In Attendance:** Kathy Middleton, Heidi Harms, Barb Shalkowsky, Jennifer Harris, Janice Foulger, Corrie Stevenson, Danielle Preston, Don Grant, Janet Cooke, Anne Harry, Stephanie Longstaff, Carol Brown, Caroline Bailey

**Call to Order:** 7:05 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** accepted

**Approval of Minutes:** accepted

**Business Arising:**

**a) Tutorial block –Dr. Grant–** ongoing - some new ideas have gone to Staff Committee. Perhaps to happen in Semester 2.

**b) New Sign – Committee** Barb, Charlene and Stephanie haven't had a chance to meet yet.

**c) Teen Drivers workshop – March/09 meeting** - March 10, 2009. Don to book library. Office to take registrations for 90 parents please.

**d) Fund Raising Policies** wrt healthy eating and what can be sold (Crispy Cremes?) Query was specifically for off school property sales. **Don** to find policy on fundraising. **Janice** to e-mail policy link to Don.

**REPORTS:**

**Principal's Report - Don** - Handed out - attached.

**President's Report – Heidi** – Exec meeting was Oct 5<sup>th</sup>. We discussed the recording of decisions between meetings (if required).

**Treasurer's Report – Charlene** – Handed out. **Charlene** to send a letter of thanks and well wishes to John Horgan for the cheque.

Don has asked PAC to look at 2 requests for support.

1. Gateway Program – PE \$777.00 - 3 bikes and 10 helmets.

2. Starworks Program - They have a requirement for 10 computer monitors cost approx. \$2000.00. District supplied 10 new computers.

PAC has asked **Don** for more info on both these items and will vote next meeting. **Don** also to investigate price of lockers for the Auto Shop.

**Communication – Alison** - regrets.

**Society Report (BAECS) –Belmont Athletic & Extra Curricular Society Rep;**  
**Corrie - Will** check to see if the Society paid for the students bussing to Edward Milne for “Smart Cookies”. Discussion wrt asking the Society for money for school sign.

**SPEAC/ BCCPAC Report - Anne** – SPEAC meeting tomorrow evening. Anne to e-mail Charlene with info.

**SPC Report - Heidi** – SPC met last week. Jeff Joyce is the new member of this team. District SPC meeting next week.

**French Immersion Report – Carol Brown** - Carol spoke to Rosanne Lagassickes’ class giving them info on post-secondary education, opportunities and scholarships. There is a CPF social tomorrow, Nov 22, 2008.

**BCCPAC** - Bi-elections.

**Prom Report – Danielle** -

#### **New Business**

- 1) \$100.00 cheque to PAC for MLA John Horgan - see Treasurers report.

**Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.**

**NEXT MEETING Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm**

Kathleen Middleton  
Recording secretary

Heidi Harms  
President

Attachments Below

**PAC**  
**Nov 21 2008**

***Principal's Report***

1. Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Hosted the Canadian Universities Event (for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time). 38 Canadian Universities participated and all were complimentary of the welcome they received here at Belmont. Out 11's and 12's (and a few Gr 10's) were given the opportunity to spend time in the gym meeting with University recruiters. In addition to our Belmont students, students from EMCS and Westshore accepted our invitation to attend. Earlier, we hosted the BC Post-Secondary Liaison Tour that was very well received as well.
  
2. Athletics: All our teams are going well...Jr. girls V'ball enjoyed a 40-0 season and went to Islands...Sr. Girls (7<sup>th</sup>) and Sr Boys(9<sup>th</sup>) went to Islands as well. Kevin Harrington continues to build the Football program ... they traveled to Vancouver recently to play in BC Place stadium! Cross-country sent one student to BC championships in Vancouver. Our Rowers competed in City Championships as well – 1<sup>st</sup> place Sr. Girls Quad and 5<sup>th</sup> place Sr. Girls Doubles.
  
3. Oct 28<sup>th</sup> Board mtg – Lily Jackson, our Cape Farewell Arctic traveller, gave a presentation to the Board about her experience.
  
4. Please check out the Belmont Website...Miriam vos Guenter has done a terrific job of upgrading it! We now have a student "blog" which is very interesting (don't worry...all submissions are carefully screened!).
  
5. Today 2 busloads of students went to EMCS for a presentation by the "Smart Cookies" – some basic advice to high schoolers around finances.
  
6. Coming up: District SPC Meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> ... Early Dismissal and P/T interviews on Wed afternoon (the 26<sup>th</sup>) ...P/T interviews on Thurs. the 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 2:30 pm... WINTER CONCERT on Dec 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm
  
7. 10 aboriginal students given Diplomas in Science and Math.