

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

Dec 15, 2009

In Attendance: Janice Foulger, Kathy Middleton, Carl Repp, Carol Brown, Anne Harry, Cathy Johnston, Donna Bird, Barb Shalkowsky, Jennifer Whitehouse-Parker, Stephanie Longstaff.

Call to Order/Introductions : 7:04 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Passed

Approval of Minutes: Passed

Business Arising:

1) review the letter to the Minister in support of new high schools. Letter reviewed and accepted unanimously. Thank you to Cathy Johnston for writing the letter. Janice to sign on behalf of PAC and letter to be sent out on Belmont letterhead.

REPORTS:

Principal's Report : Mr Carl Repp. 10,000 tonight made 14,000 tonight!! Well attended by students and staff. Hugely successful.

Parent-Teacher Interviews – there will be a web based sign-up for next time.

Winter Music Concert – Dec. 3 – outstanding.

Drama and Dance Show - Jan. 20 performance.

Fundraising – by next year a process will be in place so the various departments know what fundraisers are being done throughout the school.

Hiring – staffing for 2nd semester has taken place.

Vice-Principal Dick Juhasz is back from medical leave.

Q) Lunch box love ? Was it a go? Yes.

First Annual Student/Teacher hockey Game at Bear Mtn. Arena – Jan. 5, 5:00 – 6:15 p.m. - will be held before the Grizzlies game - \$11/ticket which includes admission to Grizzlies game.

President's Report: Heidi Harms - regrets – no report

Treasurer's Report – Charlene – regrets - Report handed out. Current balance is \$6808.88.

Communication – Alison – regrets - no report.

Society Report (BAECS) – Cathy – music dept not attending Banff this year.

SPEAC/ BCCPAC Report - Anne – Assist. Superintendent Ron Warder attended the November SPEAC meeting. The district will receive an additional \$1.7 million because of an increase in student enrolment. District and teachers discussing the upcoming Foundation Skills Assessment Tests for grades 4 and 7. The next SPEAC meeting is Wed. Dec 16. at Journey Middle School.

SPC Report - Heidi – regrets – no report.

French Immersion - Carol Brown – had a discussion with Sandy Webster-Worthy about a pilot project involving high schools and AP exams for French Immersion Gr. 12s. French Immersion has traditionally been Math 10; will be changing to Science 10.

New Business

Carol suggested that the “gradding” grade 12 parents get together, possibly in spring.

Wed. Feb 3rd., Winter Formal dinner and dance, only grads, cost under \$35.00. No guests.

Art department? Will they be doing a mural project?? Carl to inquire.

Homework requests for absent students – teachers have been asked to respond to e-mails or phone calls within 48 hours of request.

Correspondence: Belmont wear and “grad” wear – order deadline extended to Jan. 15.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday Jan. 19, 2010, 7:00 pm

Kathleen Middleton
Recording secretary

Janice Foulger
Vice- President