

# Kilmer Parent Advisory Council General Meeting Minutes

Monday January 9, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the library

**Meeting attended by:** Remi Collins (Principal), Colin Aspinall (Chair), Thaddeus Seidler (Vice-Chair), Lesley Corr (Secretary), Heather Hammersley (Treasurer), Paula Fowler, Michelle Oucharek-Deo, Wing Yu, Rachelle Jadot, Rose Shaw, Stacey Lundquister, Diana Grill, Nadine Kainz and Jasmine Parker.  
Regrets: Candice Miller, Shelley Forsyth and Debby Bondy.

## **1)Call to order**

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm

## **2)General Business**

**2.1**Approval of Agenda-Motion made by Rose S. and seconded by Heather H. **MOTION CARRIED**

**2.2**Adoption of the Minutes from December 2011 general meeting-Motion to adopt minutes made by Michelle O. and seconded by Rachelle J. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **3)Executive Reports**

**3.1Chair Report** - Colin Aspinall

BCCPAC reports that the BC Government will be changing the BC Education system and moving towards a more personalized learning model. Please go to [www.bcedplan.ca](http://www.bcedplan.ca) where you can see more specific information and engage in discussions. The email from BCCPAC will be forwarded to KPAC database and information will be posted on the notice board. There is also a Parents & Students survey available on-line through the email. Press release from the Ministry of Education is available if you are interested.

**3.2Vice Chair Report** -Thaddeus Seidler

Nothing to Report

**3.3Treasurer Report** - Heather Hammersley

Completed the migration of financial data to Quickbooks.

**3.4DPAC Report** - Salima Mawji

Nothing to report.

## **4)Administration report-** Mr. Remi Collins, Principal

The format has changed for Kindergarten French Immersion registration. There is a pre-registration process. Please read newsletter and visit [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) for more information. Letters going home to grade 5 parents to let them know what school their catchment is and information with respect to cross-catchment will be included. It is the parents' responsibility to take care of the cross-catchment process. If you cross-catchment into Kilmer, you are in and do not need to re-apply again. A notice will be sent home with information with respect to the traffic safety bylaws. Parents will begin to take pictures and include dates and will send them to the City of PoCo Bylaws who apparently can issue tickets based on the pictures. All grade 4's around the province are expected to write the FSAs. This evaluates skills in Reading, Writing and Numeracy. There are issues around how the information and data is used and there will be a lot of information coming out in the media. Kilmer will be collecting warm coats, mittens, gloves, tuques and scarves and will continue collecting until Jan 18<sup>th</sup>.

## 5)Committee Reports:

### 5.1 Fundraising

DDA Clothing drive date will be Jan 20<sup>th</sup> and the donations can be dropped off on the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> to the gym. Kids' scrapbooking and family craft will take place on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements to be made for a "Year End Carnival" planning meeting. Colin A. made a **MOTION** that the fundraising events for the remainder of the year be approved. Seconded by Jasmine P.

Upon vote by show of hands the **MOTION CARRIED**

### 5.2 Computers– Livian Smith

Nothing to report.

### 5.3 Hot Lunch – Viktoria Simak/Debby Bondy

Nothing to report.

### 5.4Parent Ed SSFS –Rachelle Jadot

Next parent education night will be Feb 21 2012 with the topic being "What can we expect for our children?". Parents have been using the online registration and more information can be found on the parent board near the office. There is always child minding available. Looking for suggestions for next year's seminar topics.

### 5.5 Parent Library – Thaddeus Seidler

Nothing to report.

### 5.6 Canadian Parents for French(CPF) - Nadine Kainz

Skate Party took place January 8<sup>th</sup> and CPF is trying to plan more activities for families. Please see the parent board for details of the next parent night out.

### 5.7 Garden club - Michelle Oucharek-Deo

Garden club will be starting again on March 5th 2012. Presently working with a parent to bring in some wood to make our long awaited garden boxes and the Garden Club is working with the school to have all the benches sanded and painted.

### 5.8 Newsletter/ Website - Wing Yu

A parent has volunteered to take over the newsletters and website for next year.

### 5.9 Fruit & Veggie Program- Viktoria Simek/Debby Bondy

Nothing to report.

### 5.10 Emergency Preparedness & Safety – Susan Deyotte

Nothing to report

### 5.11 School Planning Council –Colin Aspinall, Candace Miller and Della O'Reilly

Nothing to report.

### 5.12 Popcorn – Jasmine Parker

Jasmine P. has delegated duties as she has gone back to work.

### 5.13 Campbell soup labels –Moe Pullen

Nothing to report

### 5.14 Volunteer Committee - Cathy Willis

Nothing to report

### 5.15 Lego Club – Nadine Kainz

There have been lots of Lego donations. The grade 3's will merge with the grade 4's and 5's. Kindergarten students would like to join in with the grade 1's and 2's.

### 5.16 Surplus Funds Allocation Committee - Jasmine Parker, Candice Miller, Michelle Oucharek-Deo, Heather Hammersley and Rachelle Jadot.

The committee will canvas parents and teachers looking for ideas of how the surplus of funds should be spent. The top 10 will go out in a survey letter to parents after the February general PAC meeting. Survey results should be ready by March KPAC meeting.

## 6)Old Business

**6.1** It was discussed that a line item be added to the budget for operational expenses at the budget year end meeting for 2012-2013.

**6.2** Colin A, Thaddeus S. and Lesley C. have volunteered to be part of a committee to review and replace the existing constitution and bylaws. Cathy W. will be asked to put a note out to her volunteers as well as Colin A. will have a note in the KPAC newsletter for anyone interested in being involved is welcome to join the committee.

## **7)New Business**

**7.1** Discussion to approve fundraising events for the remainder of the year-See 5.1

**7.2** Discussion that a plan will be in place to implement the use of a mobile computer lab or Ipads once they are purchased. Remi Collins spoke on the topic and offered some feedback that there were teachers at Kilmer who have discussed their interest and have a plan of how they will have the students use the equipment. A suggestion was made that when the units are purchased we could have the software company do a teaching presentation.

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:26pm

Next KPAC meeting on Monday, Feb 6 2012 at 7:00pm in the Kilmer Library

Child minding provided.