

# School Council Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2010 7:00 - 9:00 pm.  
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## **In attendance:**

Scott Jackson – <b>Chair / Secretary</b>	Deloris Taylor
LaVerne Pue – <b>Principal</b>	Joanne Deda
Renee Ma-Poy – <b>Teacher Representative</b>	Laura Klumpp
Heather Schmidt	Paul Freer
Wendy Brunning	Ron Smith

**Words of welcome and prayer** – Scott Jackson

## **Student Representative Update**

No update was given this month.

## **Principal's Update**

### Hot Coffee – Hot Topics

Costa Rica trip update. Mr. Henson did a great job on the video update. Pray that the kids that went will carry their experience back into the school. Upcoming events: Spiritual emphasis week, report cards out on the 27<sup>th</sup> for 10-12. Music tour leaving on 28<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A question was asked about the fence that was removed. It was a casualty that happened during snow removal over the winter. I was decided to take it down.

There is an outstanding question about how to lock the north wing doors. It is the only external door unlocked during the day as students need access to bath rooms. Some ideas didn't pan out: swipe card, keypad. A thought of having a second lock installed was brought up. From a security point of view, administration doesn't feel it is much of a concern but we need to be diligent. Will it be more of an issue when Bartle and James open up?

A concern was raised about elementary not getting a chance to do external urban servants. Basically, there was a cost issue of \$229 per bus within the city. We don't have an answer for this currently.

Any updates on the proposed calendar → still waiting for finalization. Not sure on starting date, nor dropping 2 PD days. HCA has proposed we follow the Christmas holiday recommendation.

### Recent Parental Behavior at sporting events

The School Council recommendation is for each coach to have a meeting with the parents of the team members at the beginning of the season to clearly layout spectator expectations regarding behavior. Further, it is acknowledged that parents must speak up when they witness poor behaviour.

#### **Action:**

**Follow Up:** Closed.

## **Advancement Update**

The second Open house is on Apr 7. It should be bigger than the last one (75 people). They are looking for some student volunteers (Senior High student). Spring Gala is less than 2 weeks away (proceeds to the Society) and it is coming together nicely. An overwhelming (\$3800) response to the class baskets has been seen. We are sitting at 50+ items (goal of 50 – 100) for the silent auction. Ticket sales are currently at 60, capacity is 200. Homecoming is booked for Sept 25, 2010. Vision of a 3 day event (adults only Fri., family fun sat, pancake breakfast and church service on sun) in the future. Last day of school having free dress for those that donated to the baskets arose from some classes not having any baskets of goodies. Staff felt it was a good idea to have free dress. 3 emails came in from upset parents. It wasn't meant to force people to pay. There didn't seem to be any issues with the students (no segregation amongst the kids). Misunderstanding around comment about a \$25 donation gets a receipt.

**Action:** Ron to provide further updates.

**Follow Up:** May meeting.

## **Food on Campus Committee**

The meeting set up for April 20 so all people can attend. The two sides are to present their proposals. Deloris is to provide a summary of what is being sold in the vending machines.

**Action:** Committee to draft the two positions and present. Deloris to provide information on what is selling from the vending machines.

**Follow Up:** May meeting.

## **Family Fun Night**

It was decided the Family Fun Night will be on May 14, likely around the 6:30 – 9:00 time frame. Bring your own snack and drinks. As in the past, the gym will be open for drop in events (floor hockey, basketball, etc.) and families are encouraged to bring board games to play in the cafeteria. There is also talk of having some type of “coupon exchange” for people looking to trade coupons from the SUTP and Entertainment guides.

**Action:** Finalize activities and time for the event.

**Follow Up:** May meeting.

## **In-depth HCA Survey**

If we get updated demographic information, we would understand our school community better. There are still a large number of questions to be asked. Who is going to do it? When would it be done? How would we use it? How would it best be done? Survey should be good for several years. Let's defer back to Brenda. Could this be a zoomerang survey?

**Action:** Move to next year's School Council.

**Follow Up:** Closed.

## **Prayer points in our minutes**

This item will need to be followed up on in the future. We should pray more over issues that pop up. If they are seen in the minutes it is a good reminder to the school body.

**Action:** Add to the April agenda.

**Follow Up:** May meeting

## **New Issues**

1. No new issues were brought up.

**Action:**

**Follow Up:** May meeting

## **Future Follow Ups**

### **Legal Wording on Field Trip Forms**

Based on all that is currently happening within Palliser (funding cuts), this is a very low priority item. We will leave this on the agenda and look for future updates.

**Action:** Mrs. Pue to follow up with Dale Backlin

**Follow Up:** TBD

**Closing Prayer-** Deloris Taylor

**Date for the next meeting:** May 4, 2010