

Minutes for Regular CVMS Meeting
Tuesday, April 11th 2006 @ 7PM
At Espresso Lane Coffee House in Comox BC

Presided by: Colleen Clark

Attendees:

Gail Herman	Jeanine Fukui	
Krishna Bell	Lisa Wilcox	
Kathleen Murphy	Britta Neumann	
Colleen Clark		

7:20 Start (waiting for arrivals, attendance low!)

- * Meeting called to order by Colleen
- * Introductions
- * Adoption of Agenda by Colleen, second by Gail
- * Review and adoption of previous minutes by Colleen, second by Gail

7:30 Member's reports

- * Gail's membership report : 57 members, 7 new this month, 2 un-subscribed due to location of program
- * Colleen's Media report – we will be in the Comox Valley Health and Recreation guide and In Focus will be calling us soon.
- * Natalie is absent – reported via email: Still working on Art Auction. Need more donations.
Still working on benefit concert. Need more musicians. Don't have date or venue for this yet.
Easter at the barn is going ahead. We can't sell any concession food or drinks. Bags, cards etc are fine. Gail will bring float, a cheque and receipt book.
- * Britta's report (attached in separate word file) an important read for the parents wanting their children to be in the program.
- * Lisa's inventory report –
 - o Price comparison is leaning toward Montessori Outlet for a package that is 127 items (nearly 10G value) on sale for \$3,739 USD
 - o To ship within US is 454\$US for 16 paper sized boxes. To ship to Canada is 1336\$USD
 - o Everything in the package is on the lists provided by the Montessori teachers. This is not to say that the package is all that we need but rather there is nothing in the package that we DON'T need
 - o Purely based on price Montessori outlet is the best provider for us.
 - o Lisa called the Point Roberts PO to see what we could arrange. To rent a small US post office box for one year is \$28. The only problem arising is that the mailbox needs to be emptied on a regular basis. This will only happen if our address gets bombarded with junk mail.
 - o Some discussion regarding the pros and cons of Point Roberts vs. Blain.

- To get the supplies across the boarder, we can do a self-declaration document. Jeanine has experience doing this so Lisa will consult her when the need arise.
- * Jeanine's volunteer report:
 - Volunteers for Easter at the barn are coming forward. We have volunteers making stuff for us to sell at the upcoming events.
 - Some parents are opting to make a donation rather than volunteer, which is great. The sooner we can get those cheques in the better, as we need to get purchasing NOW!

Announcements: None

Unfinished Business

- * Bags will be arriving on April 27th and will sell for 5\$. These advertise and fundraise for us.
- * Everyone needs to think about places that might sell them
- * We will sell them at the farmers market – Lisa will get in touch with the man in charge.
- * Gail emailed Natalie to have her confirm with Jeanine that we can sell stuff at Easter at the Barn
- * Chastity Champagne has offered to cut hair for funds – we'll try and piggy back it with one of our events. Gail will contact Chastity and work it out.
- * Daphne Stuart will donate 25\$/direct Montessori referral to her music program. Gail will make cards to advertise this and will contact Daphne to work out the particulars.
- * Gail solicited family members for charitable donations totalling \$2500. Does anyone else want to try this?
- * Send your old inkjet/LaserJet cartridges and cell phones to Gail to recycle for \$\$\$.
- * Drafts of constitution were submitted to Colleen to revamp and ready for us to vote on at the next meeting

Meeting adjourned by Colleen @ 8:55.