

Minutes for CVMS AGM on

Tuesday, June 13th at 7pm
Glacier View School Library

Presided by: Britta Neumann

Attendees:

Gail Herman	Britta Neumann	Elizabeth Russell
Kathleen Murphy	Anne Buchanan	Bernard Guay
Caroline Guay	Susan Teasdale	Sebah Alatabi
Karen McKinnon	Pauline Rae	Lisa Wilcox
Cheryl Rosiak	Fern Alatabi	Tracey Mantha
Mina Morehouse	Daphne Stewart	Jocelyn Manley
Jeanine Fukui	Karen Silvester	

Called to order at 7:10

- ❑ Introductions made
- ❑ To expedite reports section of the agenda there will be no discussion during report time – discussion time will be left until the end.
- ❑ 4 items added to agenda.
- ❑ Gail Motions to accept amended agenda, 2nd by Bernard
- ❑ Review and adoption of previous minutes, no changes. Susan motions to accept minutes, 2nd by Gail.

Reports

President’s Report from Britta: has no formal report but is very happy to hear that we have 2 teachers and a TOC who are fully qualified Montessori directresses.

PR Report from Mina: The AGM press release was in the paper last week. Aside from the article being rearranged by the press it was accurate.

Finance Report from Jo: Not in attendance

Event Report from Natalie: Not in attendance but sent an email notifying us that she will not be returning and thanking everyone for their support.

Purchaser’s Report from Lisa: gave a quick rundown on the 5 suppliers that we used last year and the pros and cons of dealing with each. For example, Montessori Outlet had inexpensive materials but the cross border shopping was very inconvenient and the shipping costs were high.

Lisa will be meeting with Anne and Tanja (the K directress for 2007) to discuss what materials are needed and where the current materials are to be allocated. They will work together to decide which materials need to be purchased immediately and which can be postponed.

Lisa asked for donation and fundraising efforts to be of utmost importance as we have many materials to be purchased in a short time frame. Lisa will email her report to anyone that requests it.

Volunteer Report from Jeanine: Board efforts of late have consisted mostly of attending meetings to ensure a qualified teacher was hired. Volunteers are on the agenda so nothing to report at this time. They are the people who have been taking on events to organise for fundraising.

Fundraising Report from Pauline: The 6 take-home fundraisers this year have raised 930\$ total. Scholastic books in the classroom are very popular and have brought 30-40

books into the current class. Cookbooks are here for purchase or signing out. When they are all sold we will have had a \$1200 profit. We are currently ½ way to breaking even.

Calendar of Events:

Elizabeth for Art Auction: The date is Sunday, October 21st from 1-5 PM at Crown Isle with Jeff Verkley as our auctioneer again. Elizabeth has been in touch with Natalie for the planning and is actively collecting art as well as non-art items for the silent auction. The auction being nearer to Christmas this year is a plus and Elizabeth suggests that hand made Christmas cards would be a good item. Anyone who knows an artist that will donate work to us is encouraged to seek out their artist friends and acquire donations.

Karen Silvester: has nothing to report for trail day but is thinking that the end of July would be a target date. She will revisit and get back to us.

Caroline: Canada Day, if we are going to participate with tie dying then we need to get cracking. Erin B says we need to buy small t-shirts but that there are enough of the larger sizes. The cost to have a booth with water and electricity is 50\$. Suggestion was made to send t-shirts home in a Ziploc bag with directions on how to microwave if patrons don't want to wait around for our microwave. T-shirts will sell for \$8 or 2 for \$15 or 3 for \$20. We can sell water and cookbooks but cookbook stands and a cooler will be required for this.

Musicfest is not a possibility, all booths are sold out but it was recommended to Bernard that we participate in Cumberland's Big Time Out on Aug 17-18-19. It is an alternative type crowd so good PR. The 3 days and hook-ups are \$150 and whoever comes to help with the overall set-up (not just our booth) gets a free pass. About 3000 people attend this event.

Tracey – Garage sale last year was not a huge moneymaker for the amount of junk it produced and the manpower it required... Tracey is very busy with other commitments so no garage sale this year. Craftopia however is on November 24th this year at the Filberg downstairs and we are invited to join again. It will be in conjunction with a pottery sale upstairs so this event just keeps getting better every year. More to come on that as it draws nearer.

Britta – August 25/26 is the Fall Fair and we can take our tie-dying booth there. The cost is 50\$ and the number of children under 10 is around 7000. Further discussion later so that elections can get on the way.

2007 Elections:

Nominated for

President – Jeanine Fukui

Vice President – Lisa Wilcox

Secretary – Karen McKinnon

Treasurer – Karen Silvester

Director at Large - Volunteer Coordinator – Susan Teasdale

Director at Large – Britta Neumann

Director at Large – Gail Herman

Director at Large – Bernard Guay

Director at Large – Daphne Stuart

No 2 people were nominated for the same position therefore all nominees are elected as above.

- ❑ Jeanine puts forward a motion to change the voting structure in the constitution so that ALL current CVMS members are eligible to vote at the meetings, not just the board. 2nd by Bernard and all are in favour.
- ❑ Karen McKinnon's address will be the new mailing address for the society. Gail will change the website and Gail and Karen will change it on the government forms when they do their trade off/ training day.
- ❑ Discussion on purchasing cookbook stands to display our wares resulted in a decision to purchase Dollar Store plate stands, borrow Karen McK's easels or have Bernard build a wooden one for us.
- ❑ Discussion re: a retirement gift for Mr. Pullin – it was decided that a cookbook signed by the children would be appropriate. This was purchased and donated by Susan Teasdale. ☺
- ❑ School supplies will be organised and ordered by Anne to keep the costs down. She will notify the parents of a dollar amount as soon as she has calculated the cost. Karen McK will send an email re: the rationale behind this, the cost and the date payment is due.
- ❑ Discussion to reimburse the classroom butterflies from our classroom funds. Jeanine and Anne will work this out.
- ❑ School closure – Gail is on the GV school closure committee but missed the first ¾ of the first meeting. Will be in attendance for the second and will keep the CVMS abreast of events. Jeanine suggests EVERYONE fill out a green “parent concerns” form available in the office. Elizabeth wonders if Gail could write a letter for all Montessori parents to sign with the key points outlined. Gail will look into this.
- ❑ Further discussion about July 1st included: Caroline and Daphne will contact Erin and organise the event. Karen McK motions to give the “Tie-dye Committee” a \$500 budget. 2nd by Britta
- ❑ Putting the float back together and getting it parade-ready is a big task that Gail cannot take on. There will be no CVMS float in the parade this year. Our presence in the park will suffice for this year's PR so that volunteer hours aren't depleted at this one event.
- ❑ Karen McK has a contact with children's entertainers “Bobs and Lolo”. We can piggyback their act when they are coming to the island (Karen has this year's dates) for the expense of the locale, the marketing and about \$500 for Bobs and Lolo. They also will sell us their CD's for 5\$ and as a non-profit org. we can resell them for more. Many events this summer already so this one is tabled until the next meeting. Susan will look into venue options.
- ❑ Daphne teaches “Music for Young Children” and she has volunteered to donate 25\$ per student who joins her classes when they are referred by the CVMS. Daphne will draft a flyer outlining this to be sent to the membership by Karen McK
- ❑ Anne is having a cleanup/work party in the classroom on Saturday June 23rd (and possibly Sunday if everything doesn't get done). Gail will send an email to the classroom parents.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15

Minutes prepared by Gail Hermann

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