

Cedarview Middle School Council
Minutes of the Meeting Held December 13, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Paul Churchill, Chair.

1. The agenda was approved with the added items of Mr. Mozzarella and Parents Voice in Education. Moved - Paul Churchill; seconded – Margaret Zafiriou.
2. Approval of November 18 minutes with highlighted minor changes from Melanie Buchanan via Pauline McKenna. Moved – Paul Churchill; seconded – Michele Nielsen.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Karen Acton
 - a) No final numbers yet from QSP – profit is roughly \$35,000
 - b) Our insurance has been paid - \$170
 - c) We are short \$169 from the clothing sale; Karen will check with Patty re. sales; we do not charge for NSF cheques as we do not get charged for handling them.
4. Principal’s Report – Pauline McKenna
 - a) the parent volunteer who will be updating the website met with Mme. Girard to see what information will go on the site
 - b) The Ministry is looking at 20 minutes per day of physical activity per student - sustained, moderate exercise. They are requesting feedback.
 - c) The professional activity day on December 2 was used by staff to attend an anti-racial workshop. There will be another two – in March and May. One will focus on assessment and evaluation of students.
 - d) Teacher Trina Piche organized a fund raiser for the family of a Grade 6 student who lost all their belongings in a house fire. They raised \$650 plus donations of clothing.
 - e) The school was awarded \$1040 from Staple’s for recycling printer cartridges through their store. There was some discussion on this, as well as congratulations for recycling.
 - f) Mr. Colin Clark did a workshop with band members.
 - g) About 30 people attended the Math night for parents.
 - h) This first term has been a good start to the year.
5. New Business/Updates
 - a) QSP fundraiser/Wish List/Newspaper ad
 - The following list of items totalling \$8949.44 was approved for spending. Moved – Paul Churchill; seconded – Pamela Manson:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Zaveda	10 folding tables	\$490
Sack	Grade 7 graphic novels	\$200
	Grade 7 writing kit	\$300
	Subscription to "Le Monde"	\$110
Craske/McKnight	School council costs \$60 for spirit day prizes; \$50 for chocolate for first day greeters; \$10 for Secretaries Day treats; \$200 for t-shirts; \$20 for CHAT updates; \$25 for Teacher Appreciation day treats; \$50 for pizza lunch after November yard clean-up; \$40 for a book exchange; \$30 for poppies and a reception on Remembrance Day; \$30 for baskets (one per pod); Raise-a-Reader Day seedlings	\$518

Littlemore	1 set of 15 chess sets*	\$225
	Wire puzzles*	\$150
	Math teacher resources library*	\$21.40
	Grade 6-8 daily math tantalizers*	\$120
	X-Zone books**	\$262.50
	Graphic novels**	\$764
	*To be stored with other math resources	
	**To be stored in the school library	
Zubrycki	Literacy posters	\$250
Gervais/Richardson	Various equipment to be used by all students: 48 basketball; 12 footballs; 12 volleyballs; 6 sets of shirt; 6 training volleyballs; 12 beanbags; 2 hockey nets; 6 broomball; 1 CD player; 6 foam balls; 2 high jump bars; 4 indoor soccer balls; 1 inflation kit	\$2,463.90
Curtis	Canadian history videos (episode 10-17) Note: to be stored in the school library along with episodes 1-9, which the school already has.	\$1,216
Laframboise	Wynton Marsalis jazz curriculum	\$431.19
Wickham	10 Spanish-English dictionaries	\$100
Kemp	Fish feeder	\$57.50
	Tank maintenance equipment	\$219.50
Library	Acrylic countertop display	\$53.95
	Dewey Decimal labels	\$80
	Wall signs	\$16.50
Wilson	Electronic scoreboard	\$900
Total: \$8,949.44		

There were other requests that will be considered. Discussion on a portable score board took place – approved in the amount of \$900.

There was some discussion of how to tie in the fund raising with Kids Helping Kids. Paul Churchill moved that council match funds raised by children at Cedarview to a maximum to be determined by the fund allocation committee and brought back to the January meeting. Approved.

The committee will meet again to determine how the rest of the allocations will be made. They will be presented and voted on at the January 10 meeting.

Paul Churchill proposed that an ad be run in the Barrhaven Independent to thank all those who supported the QSP fund raiser. Michele will speak to the publisher. An ad costs \$54.00.

- b) Community Partners/Neighbourhood Watch
 - Paul and Melanie Buchanan attended a meeting of this group. The focus was on the amount of vandalism happening to school properties. There was also discussion of

reviving the Neighbourhood Watch program in neighbourhoods. (www.neighbourhoodwatchbarrhaven.com). On February 6, 2006 a parent information night will be held on youth issues and problems. More information to follow later. Our school is hosting the next meeting of this group in February.

- c) OCASC – we have no representative but have paid our dues and are receiving the information.
- d) Web site – previously reported on by Pauline McKenna
- e) Minutes/notice of meetings/agendas by email. These will continue to be sent out by email and the idea is also to have them available on the web site.
- f) Book sale – Michele Nielsen reported that sales were \$1465 yielding the school \$630 in books for the library which we have already taken. Thanks to Michele for organizing and running the Scholastic sale.
- g) Mr. Mozzarella – made \$150.48 from the last Mr. Mozza weekend. The next one will be held on January 20/21. Margaret also has coupon books from Mr. Mozzarella which cost \$10 – all the profit goes to the school.
- h) Parents Voice in Education – from OCASC
 - The province has introduced a new policy called the Ontario Parent Involvement Policy which has allocated 5.2 million dollars to basically get parents more involved in their children's educations and to bridge some of the communication gaps between new Canadians and the schools they attend.

6. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

In attendance: 10

Karen Acton
Paul Churchill
Carole Craswell
Ralph Frank
Pamela Manson
Pauline McKenna
Michele Nielsen
Heather Sommerville
Jeff Wilson
Margaret Zafiriou

Submitted by: Carole Craswell