

## **Minutes of Annual General Meeting**

CPF Vancouver North (CPF VN)

Location: Jules Quesnel School

June 5, 2009

9:00 -10:00 am

Attending – see attached list

### **1. Welcome & Introductions**

Kate Gregory welcomed all to the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves.

### **2. CPF Overview**

Kate noted some view FI as elitist. She reminded all that FI education is not a right in Canada so parents need to keep a watchful eye on it. She also noted local schools are the focus of PACs and FI education at the national level is the focus of CPF.

### **3. CPF BC & Yukon (Branch Office)**

Glyn Lewis, CPF BC & Yukon, advised the CPF Chapters are an important link in the exchange of information and feedback between parents, local schools, CPF Branch Office and the local School Board. He said FI is a program of choice that is not elitist but it isn't supported adequately. He emphasized the District PAC (DPAC) needs school reps. He encouraged FI parents to serve as the DPAC rep to bring attention to FI issues.

### **4. President's Report**

Kate presented the attached 2008/09 President's Report of what was accomplished over the past year.

For the upcoming year, the group discussed the draft CPF VN "Year at a Glance for Elementary School Reps" and the list of Possible Extracurricular Activities that make French fun outside the classroom. It was agreed that individual school reps should organize events at their own school.

The two ways to apply for grant funds (via CPF BC & Yukon socio-cultural grant or CPF VN Chapter budget) to support events was reviewed. Kate reminded the school reps to advise her by August if they intend to apply for a CPF socio-cultural grant. The grant will cover 50% of the event expenses and schools are required to fundraise the other 50% of costs. The CPF VN Chapter has to apply for the grant on behalf of the school and applications are due to CPF BC & Yukon by October 1/09. She noted that events can be done in partnership with other schools and should reach a large number of students (including students from the English program who will gain French exposure).

### **5. Financial Report & 2009/10 Budget**

Kate reviewed the attached Chapter's Financial Position as of June 5, 2009 (net income \$3,090) and the Proposed Budget for 2009/10. It was agreed that \$300 per school, per year, should be made available to support events in early and late FI programs, and, that \$100 per school, per year, should be made available to support events in schools with Intensive French programs. It was hoped this funding would help raise the profile of CPF in the various schools.

*It was moved by Debra Davies that the Proposed Budget for 2009/10 be accepted as circulated.*  
*MOTION CARRIED*

## **6. Priority List for 2009/10**

Kate outlined the attached Priority List for 2009/10 which includes:

- Continue to raise the profile of the chapter and increase membership
- Provide additional information to parents
- Improve the delivery of existing information
- Support extracurricular events at schools
- Pursue advocacy goals (skills program, instructional materials, Intensive French)
- Improve communications with chapter schools and with other chapters

*It was moved by Lisa Pindera that the Priority List be accepted as circulated.*  
*MOTION CARRIED*

## **7. Meeting Bylaws**

Kate presented proposed changes to Bylaws regarding the number of required meetings:

- The minimum number of Chapter General Meetings changes from a minimum of two per year to one per year
- The Presidents of the three local Vancouver Chapters will hold a minimum of one meeting per year and the attendees change from “all Vancouver Chapter Executives and School Representatives” to “all Vancouver Chapter Presidents”.

*It was moved by Debra Davies that the Meeting By-Laws be amended as circulated.*  
*MOTION CARRIED*