

Minutes of the Canadian Parents for French Victoria Chapter

April 6, 2009 at Arbutus Middle School, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Present: Brenda Henderson, Audrey Panter, Tania, Sandra Dennis, Trish Wells, Henrietta, Neil Scott-Moncreif, Katherine, Kim Walker, David Robertson

- 1) *Concours*: Registration for BC finals has begun. \$50 travel subsidy has been offered to finalists. Motion presented by Neil to subsidize the \$10 registration fee as well, motioned by Brenda, seconded by Henrietta. **Motion passed.**
- 2) *First Come First Served vs Lottery School Registration Procedures for Late French Immersion*: Based on conversations on email about Arbutus, and history that registration used to be a lottery procedure before the middle school model was introduced, Motion for CPF to endorse a lottery registration system for Late Immersion made by Brenda, seconded by Henrietta. **Motion passed.** 1 vote abstained.
- 3) *Newsletter* – Karen has asked for input for the next newsletter.
- 4) *Treasurer’s report* – Neil
 - a) Concours funding from CPF provincial branch was cut substantially.
 - b) **Neil** will cut back on grants and summer camps for next year’s budget.
- 5) *Yahoo Group*–
 - a) David will compare list with school reps, coordinators, executives and then ask people to remove themselves from the Yahoo Group if they do not appear on the afore-mentioned lists.
 - b) The agreed purpose of this list is to facilitate communication amongst CPF Victoria school reps, executive, and event coordinators.
- 6) *Issues in French Immersion –Request to Undertake a Program for a Long Term Vision* – Much discussion about paper (with the afore-mentioned title) that was circulated on email. Suggestion to focus on 3-4 items. Group would like to know what the “best practices” for French Immersion are in the district. A suggestion was made to research strategic planning documents for English as a Second Language (ESL) and Aboriginal educational programs and perhaps follow their lead.