

**Minutes**  
**CPF Meeting**  
**November 12, 2007**

**Present**

Margie Parikh  
Ros Penty  
David Robertson  
Brenda Henderson  
Kate Scott-Moncrieff  
Neil Scott-Moncrieff  
Karli Burch  
Karen Laberee  
Trish Wells  
D'Arcy Wingrove

**Motion** by Trish Wells to approve minutes from October 1, 2007 meeting.  
Motion seconded by Neil Scott-Moncrieff. Unanimously carried.

**December meeting will be held at Arbutus** - David Robertson to confirm  
January meeting to take place at Lansdowne - D'Arcy Wingrove to confirm  
February meeting at Quadra - Trish Wells to confirm

**VP District Liaison Update (D'Arcy Wingrove)**

The most recent FAC meeting took place in October and Margie and D'Arcy were both present. The committee learned that leveling French elementary books has been a priority.

Shoreline is considering changing their school hours to accommodate inflexible transit schedule (although not for this year). Trish noted that Quadra just amended its' school hours despite being mid-school year to decrease the number of instructional minutes being provided. Margie and D'Arcy will continue to raise the Shoreline issue.

Cedar Hill Middle School will have early and late grade 7 FI combined. Some present wondered how well this works. Principals have lots of discretion with respect to configuration of classes. Parents need to be greater advocates within their schools and ensure that the configurations make sense. Margie and D'Arcy may make some enquiries.

Arbutus is offering: Early 6

Early 7

Late 7

Late 6

### **Vice-President Programs Report**

Nothing to report with respect to Pro-D Day camps and summer camps except that Kate Scott-Moncrieff is willing to handle registration for soccer camps and act as soccer camp coordinator. Kathy Campos is no longer involved. Pro-D Day camps are mainly soccer camps.

No CPF newsletters went to Oak Bay High FI students. French teacher Jim Robinson needs to hand out the newsletters at Oak Bay High - Brigitte Trelawney will talk to him. If we can't get Jim Robinson to hand out newsletters, perhaps we need to speak to the Vice Principal.

### **Website Development**

David has been working on this and will continue to do. However, at this point we have very little content to actually put on a website. Also, Dimitry from BC-Yukon office will help us because we are an active chapter.

Some areas for action are:

- "What's New" should be on the front page
- get rid of calendar because nothing on it
- need info re: why choose F.I.
- Trish and Margie will provide feedback
- we will find someone else to check second round edits

-It was also noted that Beth and Rosemary of Shoreline are not on list serve and the CPF Victoria yahoo group may need attention to ensure the necessary people are on/off the list. Margie will review.

### **Concours d'art oratoire**

We need some concours committee members. Darcy has found 2 parents but they do not want to assume a coordinating role.

Karli will email past participants asking for committee members

### **Report from School Rep. Coordinator - Karen Laberee**

Campus View, Doncaster, Sir James Douglas and Cedar Hill need reps. If anyone knows parents there, please contact them and encourage them to take up the cause.

We need a VP Membership and Margie has offered to assume this position. Trish moves that Margie be elected as VP Membership. Darcy seconds the motion - unanimously approved.

### **Cornouillers Dance**

Henrietta has been in touch with Les Cornouillers and the dance will be in the spring - April or May.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Char will prepare a budget and financial statements
- we have a bank balance of approximately \$5,500
- Neil Scott-Moncrieff has been in touch with Char and has agreed to assist Char in the position of co-treasurer.

**Motion** Brenda Henderson moves that we make Neil Scott-Moncrieff co-treasurer. Helen seconds the motion. **Unanimously approved.**

- the next agenda really needs to have the budget on it
- Brenda will confirm the status of our grant applications.

### **Vic High Magic Show**

- was less well attended than hoped. It appears that approximately 150 Central students attended and the 17 Vic High students.
- Not sure how much money Vic High received to start up their program. Generally, we don't really know what happens to the Federal government grant money that is earmarked for FI. It would be desirable to know how much each school receives and how it is spent. Margie and Darcy will try to get this information from FAC. Margie will also discuss with principal at her school.

### **BC-Yukon Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

Kate Scott-Moncrieff and Peter Fairley both attended.

Kate gave a summary of the conference. The FI teacher shortage was discussed and brainstorming of ideas took place. The provincial teachers colleges make mobility of teachers between provinces difficult.

In future, we should be clear how many people are attending and who is going on our behalf. Also, delegates should not have to pay for the hotel if they are local. Neil Scott-Moncrieff will craft a letter advocating a differential fee structure for local / out-of-town delegates.

### **Cinefete**

Ros has a couple of film recommendations. Kate and her family has volunteered to preview them with Ros.

Helen's high school daughter, Annika, will also watch.

Ros will start to look for dates at Cinecente

**Miscellaneous**

We are not going to participate at the Brodeur book fair - not much interested in CPF when we set up a table at the last Brodeur book fair.

Ros also brought up that French carols will be sung at St. John the Divine - she will forward information about this as she gets more details.

Next agenda we should discuss school memberships - all FI schools should be members.

Brenda will send a little table with executive information to Margie and David for the website.

**Next CPF Meeting:**

**Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 PM**

**Ecole Arbutus School**