

Windsor Park Collegiate Parent Association
Minutes
Wednesday, April 9, 2014

In Attendance: Howard Ashdown, Marilyn Thorington, Cindy Vermette, John Erwin, Dianna Erwin, Gloria Waldron, Reno Gerl

Opening

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Introductions/Welcome

All attendees were welcomed by Howard Ashdown.

Previous Minutes

Dianna motioned to accept the previous minutes as distributed, seconded by Cindy. Carried.

Reports:

A. Student Council

- Marilyn pass along a report from the Student Council.
- Spirit Week was deemed to be a success this year. The new structure for the event worked out very well.
- The QSA had a speaker from the Rainbow Centre today (April 9th); the event was attended by over 160 people.

B. President's Report

- The grant application for funding from the Province has been approved for a total of \$10,000. 90% of this will be made available up front with the rest coming after documents indicating the project is complete have been received.
- A “ribbon-cutting” ceremony will be planned to announce the completion of the Basketball Court project, along with the outdoor picnic area in front of the school which has been approved for a SCIP grant.

C. Treasurer's Report

- Lori Karlsson was unable to attend this meeting, however she had forwarded her report to John who read out the details.
- The opening balance from February 28th was \$4164.28; there was no revenue; Expenses for the month of March were \$386.10 (reimbursement for costs related to the Staff Appreciation lunch) leaving a total balance of \$3778.18 as of the 31st of March.

D. Principal / Administration Report

- Marilyn mentioned that the Parent Association will need to consider purchasing a new plaque for the WPC-PA award given at the Convocation. Howard will obtain a quote.
- Reno presented the remainder of the Administration report.
- Teachers are in the midst of report card writing.
- Determination of upcoming course availability is underway, with details ready for May. Factors determining availability include staffing and student course selections.
- A Conduct Committee has been setup to look at a number of issues to help produce well-rounded/productive citizens. Besides the usual topics of attendance, behaviour etc., a look at the conduct of Staff and Parents/Guardians is also being discussed. A look at how other schools/districts/provinces are dealing with these subjects is a part of the discussions. Another major issue being looked at is how to determine what should be considered "essential learning" as it relates to credits earned.

Outstanding Business:

- Gloria Waldron went over the resolutions being presented at the upcoming MAPC AGM so that our proxy vote could be considered. Since many of the items did not related directly to WPC it was decided not to register a proxy vote for the Association.

New Business:

- A letter from the LRSD to parent groups in the Division was read out; an upcoming Parent Council recognition dinner will be held on May 13th; up to two representatives may attend.
- The Fundraising efforts of the Safe Grad 2014 committee were briefly discussed; the committee has had several successful events which have raised most of the funds required, however a few smaller events such as a BBQ are being planned as well. It was unclear whether or not the Car Wash fundraiser would be occurring this year or not.
- Convocation will be held this year on June 24th 2014 at 3pm. The Parent Association organizes refreshments for this event and also presents an award to one of the students. Pat Devereaux did much of the volunteer work for the refreshments in past years; she passed along information on how this was conducted since she will be unable to fully participate this year due to her child being in the ceremony. A volunteer from the committee will be sought for this year to assist.

Questions/Concerns

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm. The next regular meeting will be on May 14th, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes taken by John Erwin April 9th, 2014