

Minutes—Parent Council meeting
May 21, 2008

Present - Ruth Appleby, Margaret Posnett, Moonjung Ooi, Lisa Tabor, Nikki Tuggy, Brent Wellsmore (Brent needed to leave early to take guest to airport, Gail Fisher

Open in prayer -Nikki Prayed

Director's report -Brent handed out a report with key points listed below:

General -

Still looking for a new house for Boarding School next year.
pre-school will move into what is currently the Caldwell's house, two doors from its current location.

Staffing - Still require one more primary teacher for lower primary.

Several new teachers and volunteers coming in the Fall

Mr. Andre Quimpo
Mr. Ivan Leadley
Mr. Graham Brown
Miss Kate Donnelly
Mr. Scott Collins
Miss Carrie Cordell
Miss Elysha McKay
Mr. David and Janie House

And Teachers who are leaving:

Mr. Graeme
Mrs. Tanya Ross
Miss Grace
Mr. David Marrow

Enrollment

194 currently enrolled in HOPE for 2008/09

Some classes are full

No more enrolment accepted into year 1 & 2 until additional teacher hired.

Building

New class room upstairs from library

Moving Science Laboratory into bigger class area

Extend Graeme's classroom

Create extra office space

Accreditation

Official candidate school

Wonderful affirmation from Regional director

Old business:

- Parent Survey—need to improve on getting the word out that the PC is an avenue to voice parental concerns. The write up in the weekly letter is a good start. Will try to announce members earlier next school year.
- updating of Parent Handbook - Jane gave us a copy to go through to double check the accuracy. Lisa read and gave to Ruth who made some comments and handed back to Jane.
- gecko t-shirts for outgoing students - The idea is an outline of a gecko on the back for people to write in. Ian is to sort out the tee shirts. Idea for intersecting geckos done by Ruth. Ruth wrote down idea and gave to Ian. He was happy with the design he will make two screens that can also be used in the future. He is not sure if can complete in time for this year but good for next year would be useful. Not worth getting outside help at this point. Need to find the left over white polo shirts from last year.
- School Fair/ Jumbo Sale—Student Council has not met to create games. Student Council will choose which Organization to make donations to. Homeschoolers invited to join us.
(who?) Ask Mr. Toon to buy some drinks to sell at PC table. **Nikki** will lend orange cooler with ice. We will put our PC table near front gate with drink, info on PC, and a large box for participants to put in the 10% donations. **Moonjung** will make the donation box and will help man the PC table at the beginning of the sale. PC will sell baked goods. **Margaret** will ask Jane if SC wants to organize a wet sponge booth (or other "novelty stall"). **Ruth, Gail, Lisa,** and those that are able will make baked goods to sell. **Nikki** will prepare an email to parents with announcement for Jumble Sale. Including the following information - (Charity chosen by SC. Refreshments available to raise money for PC.) **Gilbert Appleby** will make Ice coffee. **Margaret** will "promote" PC. **Nikki** will cut and paste blurb for promotion. **All on PC** who are able will come at 1:30 to help set up for the sale.
- DVD report—nearing completion, should be done this week
 - *school tour
 - *parent interviews
 - *impact video
 - **2 min. overview still to be completed
- Open Day - was a success. A number of people came through.

New Business:

--What will need to be planned for end of year celebration?

Who is leaving? Graeme, Tanya, David Maurer, Grace Hatch, 4 students. We discussed various ideas for gifts. Including nice book, gift certificate to salon or nice restaurant, banner... **Margaret** will organize envelopes for teachers. The envelopes will stay at the office, but we as PC will take the envelopes around as we are here.

--incoming teachers—set up greeters for each

We need a list of when new teachers are arriving. We will speak to Mark to find out their arrival dates.

--any planning that needs to be done for next August?

Parental concerns: Parking issues for next year a concern. With more students the dropping off/pick up needs more thought. One car had rear-view mirrors stolen while parked at Sports Center next door. It is difficult to communicate to parents the planned drop off/pick up routine, and it is difficult for guards to maintain what is proposed, so there ends up being little order or standard routine.

Other:

Date for next meeting: after Jumbo Sale short meeting.

Close in prayer Gail Fisher and Lisa