

Lord Byng Secondary School
Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
3939 West 16th Avenue
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Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday, October 28, 2008

7:15 PM

Lord Byng School library

Present (Executive): Daniel Chowne and Sylvie Lefebvre (Co-Chairs), Julia Lian (Treasurer), Brian Marcus (DPAC/BCCPAC), Yvonne Marcus (Web Design), Brenda Rosenau (Volunteer Coordinator), Ingrid Holler (Director at Large), Michelle Carrington (Fundraising), Lewis Yau Lin (Chinese Parents' Liaison), Cathie Ryan (Secretary)

Regrets: Leo Ferry (Past Co-Chair), Patti Bacchus (Director at Large)

1. Introductions of PAC Executive members attending
2. Principal's Report:
 - a. School reorganization as a result of the enrollment increase from 1230 to 1336 in the past three years, largely as a result of the U-Hill over-flow and 40 in catchment new arrivals over the summer, Byng was granted additional blocks which came in three chunks, each of which necessitated a reorganization that was disruptive to the students, particularly those in grades 10 and 11. Brenda Rosenau has drafted a letter to the VSB to encourage debate on this issue.
 - b. A parent rep is needed on the School Growth Committee.
 - c. There are a number of global citizenship initiatives underway: Me to We, December 3rd CNN live feed on global issues with students in Uganda and France.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the September 2008 PAC Meeting.
 - a. Motion: Michelle Carrington, Seconded: Jane Sherk
 - i. Carried Unanimously.
4. Discussion of Financial Matters and Treasurer's Report by Julia Lian, Treasurer
 - a. Our formal financial statements are somewhat late as we had no Treasurer for several months last year. More formalized statements will be available soon.
 - b. Motion: For the 2008 – 2009 school year, the Lord Byng Accounts will have three signatories: Each of the two Co-Chairs: Daniel Chowne and Sylvie Lefebvre and the Treasurer: Julia Lian

- i. Moved: Jane Sherk, Seconded: Ingrid Holler
 - ii. Carried unanimously.
 - c. There have been about \$12000 to \$13000 raised through fund raising. The gaming funds application last year was not filed properly; The PAC Co-chairs will look into rectifying this.
- 5. Discussion regarding the wish lists from teachers.
We have received approximated \$23000 in requests which will be discussed with Ms. Taddei.
- 6. DPAC Report by Brian Marcus.
There is an All Candidates' Debate for the Westside at Bayview Community School, 2251 Collingwood, Thursday Nov. 6th at 7:00 p.m.
- 7. Lord Byng Website - Yvonne Marcus has been reviewing various websites and will liaise with Len Pelletier, who is Chair of the Communication Task Force.
- 8. Discussion of proposed guest speakers: Valerie Jenkinson who is with the online home school program and the Chairs of the various Byng Task Forces were suggested.
- 9. Introductions of Lewis Yau Lin, Chinese Parents' Liaison and Diane Lam, Co-Chair of Grad Committee (which will meet on Nov. 5th at 7:00 pm)
- 10. Discussion regarding December 9th, 2008: Teacher Appreciation Lunch.
 - a. Motion: That we authorize a \$250 float to get the lunch organized, and that the lunch be coordinated by Brenda Rosenau.
 - i. Moved: Brenda Rosenau, Seconded: Michelle Carrington
 - ii. Carried unanimously.
Contributions of hot food and Christmas baking would be most appreciated; 10 parents are needed as volunteers to help.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.