

Minutes

Blythwood PSA General Final Meeting

Tuesday, May 25th, 2010 7:30pm

Blythwood School Library

ATTENDED: Susan Fisher, Kathy Dingley, Sandy Hutchison, Paula Hamilton, Anita Mancuso, Nick Nikita, Andrea Stephens, Tammy Neal, Gillian Marshall, Andrea Mozas, Colleen McCutcheon, Lucy Miller, Lisa Gray, Peggy Judge, Christine Dunn, Sacha Fraser, Debra Wood, Helga Watchorn, Kelly Osler, Lesley Steven, Shannon Hardy

1. **Susan Welcomed the Blythwood parents and started the meeting.**
2. **Approval of April 12th minutes:** Shannon moved to approve the minutes and Tammy seconded it.
3. **The Principal Report:** **a)** staffing and classes have been organized. There is a low J.K. population. Some re-organizing may be needed in September. The same procedure will be used again this year as last year. Parents will be asked to go to the appropriate table to inquire as to what class their child/children are in and then the teacher will be waiting in the yard to greet their students. Once the teacher has their class assembled, they will escort them into the school. **b)** Girls soccer team is doing well and progressing. Boys' soccer team won 4 games. Track & Field day was chaotic but the students did well and had fun. House league will be started next year on Monday and Wednesdays at lunch. **c)** The Open House was a success. Mr. Nikita will be presenting his grade 5 Shakespeare Play on June 10th. **d)** Police Check forms are due if you are volunteering in the school. **e)** Consumable items will be charged back to the parents next year. Currently the school is spending \$10,000 on these items. **f)** EQAO will be held June 1-3. **g)** Grade 6 graduation trip is coming up. They will also be visiting Glenview. **h)** Mr. Nikita is working on the code of conduct. **i)** Volunteer tea was a success. **j) Report Card** change next year. There will be only 2 reports. In November, there will be a progress report only and report cards will be prepared for January and June.
4. **Susan Fisher reported on the Gala on behalf of Paula and Kathy:** The evening was a success and raised \$43,200. Corporate sponsorship and direct parental donations were down this year. The venue was great. However, note to use the big room for silent auction items versus the small room. The teacher experience and silent auction profits were up this year. Overall, the food was great, everybody had fun and Paula and Kathy did a great job.

5. **Treasurer Alison presented** the 2010/2011 Draft Budget with revenue of \$57,230. Please refer to attached budget. Susan moved to approve the attached budget, Kelly and Colleen 1st and seconded it. All in favour, nobody against.
6. **Web Site** – A grant request of \$1,000 has been made by Susan to help fund the school web site. School Council can fund to run the web. All measures will be taken to ensure the site is secure and no personal information will be placed on the site.
7. **Kathy Jaurig reported** that new computers are not scheduled for ordering by the board yet. It was done only two years ago. Kathy also reported that she has an extra \$4,000. Therefore, Kathy moved to spend up to \$4,000 on new chairs for the classrooms and installing the athletic banners. Kelly seconded it. All in favour, nobody against.
8. **Other Business:** Fun Day will be held in the afternoon on June 25th. The primary from 1:30-2:00 and juniors 2-3:30. The morning kids will be invited. B) With the hot muggy weather, it was asked if the school could sustain central air. However, the school wiring, expense, etc could pose a problem. The Principal will ask Eric about the wiring. C) After 4 Schedule is ready and Giftie will send it out. D) Colleen rewarded her Safe Arrival volunteers with ice cream. The school will need to replace Colleen. Thank you Colleen, job well done. E) Susan went to councilor for traffic issues and have lines painted at intersections.
9. Fundraising: Anita reported that there are two fundraising events only for next year. First is the QSP and all funds will go to the PSC account. The second is “lovable labels”.
10. The Principal thanked everybody at the meeting for a great first year.
11. **The next PSA General Meeting will be held in October. Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.**