

**Minutes**  
**WOSS School Council Meeting**  
**Monday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Present: Kelly Amos, Chair, John Stieva, Principal, John Monteiro, Teacher rep, Daniel Neibert, community rep, Jackie Williams, Past Chair, Brittany Sadkowski, Student Council rep, Simon Khanna, parent, Kathy Batycky, parent, Sadia Khan, parent, Tara Seeber, parent, Elaine Moores, parent, Bonnie Husain, teacher

<p><b>1. Welcome</b> The Agenda was approved.</p>	K. Amos
<p><b>2. Minutes from Feb.</b> The Minutes were approved with one amendment: Daniel Neibert is to be listed as community rep.</p>	K. Amos
<p><b>3. Student Rep Report</b> The Carnival is this Friday, from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. and a dodge ball tournament is to run at the same time. Drama council will be running a barbeque at the same time. This year the carnival will be free to all students (food excepted). There will be presentation to Andy of all the money raised – at least \$25,000. Student elections are underway. Speeches are this coming Monday, and then elections the next day. The bleachers have arrived. Ball hockey intramurals are also underway. The athletic banquet will be held on June 5<sup>th</sup>. The prom is being held the evening of exam return day.</p>	Brittany Sadkowski
<p><b>4. Treasurer's Report</b> The \$850 that was unaccounted for last month was located. There were several different total amounts to look at, and the \$850 was part of the school council total. Sadia will be meeting with Pam Cottingham to review the finances and procedure. The total amount council has is \$4,289.05 .</p>	S. Khan
<p><b>5. Teacher rep report</b> John requested any funds possible to donate for the teacher appreciation luncheon, which is held each semester. Council approved donation of \$150 towards the luncheon cost.</p>	J. Monteiro
<p><b>6. Chair's Report</b>  <b>Calendar sales</b> Council won \$25 and will reinvest it. We have one more sales push, which will be at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Arts Council event, which is being held at the school. The band will be playing at this event. After this event, we will stop the sale of the calendars and pay for them.  <b>PIC committee</b> Parent Involvement Committee is trying to put together a mandate as to how to get information from the Board to the school councils. There is going to be an event in October, which will have speakers on various topics for parents.  <b>PARC</b> The program and accommodation study was approved. The Ward 5 students currently in French Immersion will go to Sunningdale. Ward 6 French Immersion will go to Munns. Montclair will be renovated and English track K to 8 will be there. Lorne Skuce is the holding school until Montclair is ready Then Lorne Skuce is to be closed.  <b>Bill 212 committee</b> This committee on anti-bullying has had meetings at our school. There is a staff meeting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and a presentation will be given at the Principal's Advisory Council. It will then be sent to the Board. The concept is to integrate character education into all subjects.</p>	Kelly Amos

<p><b>Arts Council event June 14<sup>th</sup></b> This event is being held at the school.</p> <p><b>Silent Auction Fundraiser</b> Council had discussed holding a silent auction for fundraiser. After discussion it was decided to put off a decision about running this fundraiser in the fall.</p> <p><b>Capital funding committee</b> If the government approves the “parent’s reaching out” grant, council should have a submission ready. Council will discuss this in the September meeting. If Kelly gets the announcement during the summer she can send an email to everyone to consider.</p> <p><b>Principal nomination award committee</b> This committee is to put together a nomination.</p> <p><b>Trillium grant committee</b> This committee is to organize a submission to the trillium grant in order to have the theatre built. “Arts and Culture” is one of the areas that qualify for a trillium grant, but not for the structure. Their money could be used to pay a salary of a professional fundraiser/ administrative assistant to organize the fundraising and community interest to support a theatre.</p>	
<p><b>7. Principal’s Report</b></p> <p><b>Field trips</b> Field trips finish at the end of May. There are two trips going in June; life skills and futures students are going to an arts workshop. The transition students are going to a dragon boat race.</p> <p><b>Staffing</b> John is still working on staffing. He needs to hire 2 or 3 more teachers. Because Jim Nobel is retiring, we have been assigned a new vice principal. Our new vice principal will be Claire Ailey, who is currently at Bateman.</p> <p><b>Accomplishments</b> Sports teams are all doing well. Our students did well in the math contest. The grade 9s won the Haltons. Our cheerleaders are National Champions. Maida H. in grade 11 is going to OFSAA for single tennis, and a grade 11 student is going to OFSAA for track. Maida H. is also going to Washington DC. for a leadership conference. The awards ceremony is on Monday at an assembly. There are a lot of students running for student council. There are 26 students running for 7 offices. Elections are Monday morning after the Carnival.</p> <p><b>Smoking</b> We have a new smoking by law officer, who is more of a “by the book” officer. She has indicated she will not allow the school to ignore the students who smoke by the rocks. The September assembly will have announcements that students are now allowed to smoke by the rocks, on school property.</p> <p><b>Other</b> Brian Henderson from Fast Signs has found a company that will manufacture a digital sign that will fit between the current posts. The letters will be 14 inches, and will be a single line scroll from post to post. White Oaks Secondary School will be printed on the bottom. This summer the parking lot in the north, the back parking lot in the south, renovate that roof on the south campus, and the first phase of major renovations to the north kitchen. Computers will be replaced or refurbished. The com tech. lab is being refurbished. The yearbook will be done in house next year.</p>	J. Stieva
Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.	

Next Meeting Date – Monday, Sept 15, 2008