

**South Shore Charter Public School  
Parents' Association  
August 16, 2005**

Minutes taken by Maria Sullivan

7: 04 Call to order by David Whitemyer.

Reviewed minutes from June 9<sup>th</sup> and May 12<sup>th</sup> meetings.

Motion to approve minutes from both meetings by D. Cerilli, seconded by K. Dalton.

*Vote: Unanimous.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Box Tops for Education \$394.42 was raised for the library last year through the Box Tops for Education. Goal for 05/06 is \$ 1000. There are more ways to raise funds through the program. Contact Vickie Doyle for more information.

Purple Packet Purple packet defines the role of parents and volunteering in the school. Looking to send out the packet near the beginning of the school year. Any Committee wishing to place inserts into the packet, contact Anne Anne Veilleux Williams

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Arts/Music—No Report

Diversity—Looking for a Chair to reactivate this committee.

Fundraising—Auction is set for November 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Debbie Shepherd with donations. This year's goal is to raise \$50,000.

Health Committee—Handwashing and cultures are this month's topic. File for Life is a program from the fire department and any child with a health condition should contact the fire dept. in their town to have one on file.

Library—Looking for grants to help fund the building of the library. Volunteers are organizing books and carts so that they will be accessible to the children. Working also with teachers to coincide with the curriculum. Mike is looking for anyone who has grant writing experience to help with the efforts.

PAC—Parents Advisory Council to Learning Services. Looking for Chair and others members. (members must have a child in services to be a part of committee.)

Transportation—School Transportation—to help families find transportation. Longwater Transportation Bus Company has a few seats available in the route from Hull to Norwell. Anyone looking to start a Bus route to western suburbs can contact KT for information.

Volunteer—Looking for families to donate 20 hours of volunteering. Forms will be sent out with purple packet for signing up for different activities.

**GRADE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

K Playgroup has been great, hopefully it will continue in the years to follow.

1 No report

2 No report

- 3 No report
- 4 New Level Coordinator, Kendra and new teacher Alice.
- 5 No report
- 6 No report
- 7 Julia's father past away, she will be in and out in the next few weeks.
- 8 No report
- 9 Orientation for all freshmen on the 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:30—1pm
- 10 No report
- 11 No report
- 12 No report

Debbie Cerilli will write up an introduction sheet for families in each level to e-mail. Questions on what the role of the grade reps duties are.

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Looking for 6 parents -- 1 from each level, to serve on the school committee, along with 2 teachers, 3 students with Dr. Gorsuch to go over policies of the school. Meets one afternoon a month.

### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Looking for 2 parents to serve on the education committee with level coordinators and Mike. Will review curriculums. Meets one afternoon a month.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Science Lab postponed. Need \$ 150,000. to build. Not enough time to start construction of the tanks. Lights have been replaced and building is getting a fresh coat of paint.

New teachers have been hired in Level I, II, H.S., and for Physical Education.

PE will be taking place at the YMCA. Grades 1-12 will be transported to Hanover once a week.

Math program will be K—12 Singapore math. Parent night on the math program will be held in Sept. First K-12 school in the US to have the program.

School needs a new van for transportation for projects, Looking for a donation or discount.

### **INTERNET DISCUSSION FORUM PROTOCOL**

Online Discussion Forum is a privilege, tool for sharing. Should be positive. A handout of guidelines—"pleases"—was passed out and will be voted on in September. Questions on whether students should be reading and commenting on topics on the forum. Suggestion of having a link to guidelines. E-mail David Whitemyer with any amendments.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Questions on whether there will be "buddies" in place for new students.

Purple Packet postage monies to be voted on in Sept.

### **NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 6, 2005.**

*8:45 Motion to Adjourn, Unanimous.*