

**Comox Valley Montessori Society
Monthly Meeting, November 18, 2009**

Present:	April Brosko	Mina Morehouse	Lisa Wilcox
	Pauline Rae	Caroline Guay	Heather Robertson
	Dave Mayert	Serena Patterson	Dale Kuzma
	Andrea Kreeger	Jenn Johnson	Gillian Strillets
	Michelle Hawkins		

1. Call to Order – 7:35

2. Introductions

3. Adoption of the Agenda

It was regularly motioned and seconded that the agenda be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

4. Minutes

It was regularly motioned and seconded that the minutes be adopted as amended from October.

CARRIED

5. Reports

Administrator's Report

- Dave is in the office for the rest of the week.
- There is an assembly this Friday
- There will be a pancake breakfast on December 7th and 14th courtesy of the PAC
- Stuffy and PJ day on December 1st
- The winter concert will be on December 17th at 1 pm and 6:30 pm
- December 18th is the last day of class for 2009
- Parent/Teacher interviews are on November 25th and 26th
- The school budget has been finalized. There have been some cuts.
- Open gym in the mornings and evening continue

Trustee Report

- The grade structure report process has finished. The Modified Status Quo option was decided on.
- There will likely be big cuts next year, (i.e. \$2 000 000). The HST will cost about \$600 000 per year. The facilities grant was spent over the summer and we were informed on August 28th that the money will not be coming. A budget committee has been established.
- The CVMS asked if we could have a representative on the budget committee. The next meeting will be this Monday at 3:30 at the SBO.

President's Report

- Thank you to Andrea and all the people that helped with the Art Auction.

Treasurer's Report

- We currently have 2 bank accounts and will close down the old account when the cheques from CCCU arrive
- Our current balance at both banks combined is \$5007.84

Correspondence

- None

Inventory Report

- The CVMS has 3 new members. 2 members unsubscribed
- We have an extensive list of purchases to make depending on how much money we have
- There are 8 items on back order

Fundraising Report

- A discussion occurred regarding the follow-up from the Art Auction. We need people to distribute the items. Elizabeth and Caroline will meet tomorrow morning to divide up the distribution.
- We made about \$3188.00
- Michelle would be interested in getting cards that match her "Montessori Moment" painting.

6. Old Business

- The materials breakages policy has not yet been drafted. It will be discussed at our next meeting.

7. New Business

- In the New Year, we should develop a procedure book to give to parents and members with guidelines for how we do fundraising.
- Fundraising idea – The CVMS has set up a children's consignment with Podlings. They are willing give the CVMS 60% of the selling price of any item that is sold in the name of the CVMS. People just need to drop the items off at Podlings. Regular consignment procedures apply. We will send out an email.
- Serena is going to look into Thrifty's fundraising opportunities.
- Preparation for Parent Information Night and registration. An email will be sent for a planning evening. We need to get some kindergarten parents involved for their perspective.

The meeting was adjourned.