

Comox Valley Montessori Society Meeting Minutes – March 16th, 2016

Present: Tammy Sawatsky, Sarah Countess, Natasha Robson, Sherry Turnbull, Sarah Ritchie, Amelia Valmorbida, Christine Vanderee, Gord Webber. Cara Covas, Trish McPhail, Katie King

1. Meeting Call to Order – 7:00
2. Introductions
3. Adoption of Agenda – Sherry, Gord
4. Review and Adoption of Minutes from February – Sherry, Gord
5. Reports
 - 5.1. Admin report – Christine
Info night was very successful. There was a good turnout.
The Church group that uses the school has been asked to potentially relocate for the Sunday of the High Tea. However, it is decided that we have not received sufficient volunteer support to run the High Tea this year, so they will be notified.
We will be able to accept 30 new kindergarten students this fall. The registration will begin on April 11th for siblings, April 12 and 13th for Kindergarten and open April 14th for new students in other grades.
 - 5.2. President’s Report – Sherry
Moves to appoint Natasha as the new VP. All in favour.
 - 5.3. Vice President’s Report – Natasha
no report
 - 5.4. Treasurer’s Report – Michelle
No change in our accounts. We have \$25 941 – which will potentially cover 2 future classrooms if there are no new revisions this year.
 - 5.5. Secretary Report – Katie
Correspondence from Lynn Jacobson sending her thanks for the gift.
Will be moving this summer so secretary position is up for re-election this year again.
6. Old Business
 - 6.1. High Tea
We will not be hosting a High Tea this year due to lack of Volunteers, especially in the main organizational roles. Other fundraise options include maybe a raffle or something similar. Because of the school board decision of the ‘no fundraisers other than the high tea’ rule, we might need to meet with a school board member to discuss our options. Also, with the loss of this even the children will be missing out on a key grace and courtesy element of their learning. Discussion was made on some other options. It was suggested a family tea be held in the

individual classrooms. Sherry will take the idea to the teachers.

7. New Business

7.1. Julie Niven from Learning Journeys Montessori Preschool joined us. She gave a short presentation on her program and how it feed into ours. We asked how we could support her program in return. Suggestions such as brochures or posters here at Queneesh as well as word of mouth were discussed. A link through our CVMS facebook page and website would also be useful. It was Suggested that Julie get in contact with Anne to be able to show her parents what a Montessori student looks like at the upper grade level.

8. Adjourn at 7:30