

Hopewell Avenue Public School Minutes

May 2012

1. Call to order : Jen Small Called Council Meeting to Order.

2. Approval of May Agenda approved without quorum

3. Chairs Report --

1. The Principal has asked the council to update the 2010 Principal Profile. This document is needed so if in the event the current principal leaves, there is a written description how council views the roles and responsibilities of the new principal. A final version of this will be approved at the June council meeting.

4. Principal & Teacher's Report

1. Projected number of students is around 800. Hopewell will lose 3 teachers but this may not affect the teacher population as there are some expected retirements. Hopewell will lose one of the Vice Principals.

2. As warmer weather approaches, dress code was discussed and there will be a meeting on how this code will be enforced.

4. It was proposed that the older children, as a group, see the movie Bully which documents an extreme case of Bullying in a school in the United States. The teachers thought this was a good idea for the YOUCAN program. Letters to parents will go out outlining the trip.

5. Space Camp was very successful again this year.

5. Financial Update

1. In light of the situation at Rockcliffe Public School it was acknowledged that having two treasure's is a necessary with each one doing a different job. This will insure checks and balances.

2. It was decided that money collected at Pizza lunch should be counted at the school and verified by a second counter.

3. How Grocery Cards are handled needs to be evaluated.

4. Safe is not working at the school. Money will now be kept in the office safe until this resolved.

5. Spring Fair was a huge success: Bike sale raised \$1,035.00 and Plant sales raised 351.00

6. External Environment Committee Update

Spring cleanup was a major success. A lot of volunteers came out to help clean the turf yard, plant flower beds and clean up the trash. The ribbon was cut and John was given a card from the students.

7. Sale and Caring Schools --

April 24th there was a poetry day and students came from Carlton University and gathered some kids to write and read their poetry.

8. Technology meeting:

The main a question arising is whether we have personal electronic devices become class room tools or do we take a more centralized approach to teach with technology.

9. Motion to adjourn

Lori approved motion to adjourn.