

**Minutes**  
**Clarendville Middle School Council**  
**DATE: Nov. 29, 2007**  
**Clarendville Middle School Resource Centre**

In Attendance:

Troy Mitchell (Chair)  
Craig Pardy (Principal)  
Wanda Green  
Richard Power  
Rupert Baker  
Veeragathy Vasanthan  
Paula Pye  
Sabrina Andrews  
Keith Randell

1) Welcome and review of minutes

- Paula Pye, the newly elected parent representative was welcomed to the meeting. The minutes of the October meeting, 2007 minutes were approved

2) Presentation by Mr. Rod Drover

- Mr. Drover presented on the software “Audacity” that is being used by various school programs. He highlighted how this technology can be used in achieving instructional outcomes. This software gives students the ability to record sound and enhance the learning experience by visually being able to observe and hear the recorded message.

3) Business Arising

- a) Teacher prep time: Teachers at CMS have minimum prep time according to regional standards.
- b) Class size: The grade 4 classes are at maximum capacity. Mr. Pardy suggested that this issue has been identified. There may be the possibility of an additional .5 position to address this issue.
- c) Council Membership: Council is still looking for a community representative.

4) New Business

- a) Fundraising Activities: Discussed the fundraising initiatives of current school projects i.e. Ottawa trip. It was suggested that there be a procedure in place to

inform and approve fundraising activities through school council since this is a council mandate and could be subject to audit.

**Action: Mr. Pardy to get list of all fundraising initiatives for council to review.**

- b) DARE: There was good discussion about the DARE. DARE did not occur last year because council was reviewing the effectiveness of this program as suggested by recent national research. There was also communication and scheduling difficulties between the school and RCMP. It was agreed that a collaborative effort with all community partners was needed to deliver a comprehensive drug awareness initiative.

**Action: DARE will begin with the current grade 6 classes in January, 2008. There will need to be a decision regarding what drug awareness programming will occur with the current grade 7 classes who did not receive DARE last year.**

- c) CRT results: Craig Pardy presented the CRT results for May 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30. There will be no council meeting during Dec., 2007.

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Wanda Green  
Recorder