

Clarendville Middle School
Minutes of School Council Meeting
September 17, 2007 @ 7p.m. Resource Centre

In Attendance:

- 1) Craig Pardy (P)
- 2) Janice Windsor (AP)
- 3) John Mahar
- 4) Paul Tilley (Recorder)
- 5) Richard Power
- 6) Troy Mitchell (Chair)
- 7) Wanda Green

Welcome

Craig welcomed everyone back for another year. The year has started well.

Membership on Council

The School Council is down members. A discussion of the role of members and the terms of reference followed. Council can range between 8-15 members. Council must have at least one (1) parent and two (2) community representatives plus one (1) staff member.

CMS Council identified the need for a parent rep. and a community rep. Discussion of a community representative ensued.

- > Invite a community representative from a list of candidates determined by the Council.
- > Put a call for nominations of a parent representative in the next school newsletter. Once nominations are in, parents will be asked to vote on a parent member.

Student numbers @ CMS

303 students registered (vs. 282-287 in 2006-07)

2 more students are expected in October

2 are expected to leave in October

- > With the 300+ students the Board will be asked for another 5 hours of secretarial time.

Class Sizes

Grades and Class Sizes

4's – Class 1 – 31 Class 2 - 31

5's – Class 1 – 26 Class 2 – 27

6's – Class 1 – 29 Class 2 – 30

7's – Class 1 (*LFI) – 29 Class 2 - 31

8's – Class 1 – 25 Class 2 – 22 Class 3 – 22

* Late French Immersion – The Grade 7 LFI class is going well. Unfortunately there is no resource person in place yet. This is being worked on. LFI teachers visited Villa Nova school to see how they handle LFI – very positive experience.

The Grade 7 non-LFI class is split of English Language Arts, Science and Math.

Grade Issues

Grade 4 has experienced some crowding issues. The Classrooms have been rearranged to lessen the problem. Much effort is going into taking care of special need students.

School Development

Schools were shut down last Monday for in-servicing. Very positive.

School Tidbits

School website updated.

Teachers have 8% prep. Time – this is lower than average.

There needs to be some work on and education program regarding drug awareness. To date this has not flown well in schools.

Next Meeting October 24