

Minutes
Yale Middle School Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 16, 2013

Present: Lisa Sehn, Rose Short, Paula Schieven, Kim Cooper, Amy Brake

Administration: Jay Pankratz (principal)

Call to order at 7.05pm in school library.

The minutes of the previous meeting of November 21, 2012 adopted as circulated.

- Rose Short motioned, Paula Schieven seconded

Principal's Report – Jay Pankratz

Exams are right around the corner and everything is in place for that to happen. School Board has approved the exam schedule.

Various teachers attended an Assessment Program in Portland, to learn to look at a bigger picture than just the percentage the students have on their report cards. We all have to look at a more meaningful way of reporting the student's progress. This also means retraining parents' perception of marks their kids receive. For example: a student turning in work late does not mean the child is lacking knowledge of that subject and should not be penalized but also late work should not be an acceptable habit.

Yale Secondary is due for Seismic Upgrading. Meeting for admin. is upcoming. We will probably have to deal with 1-2 years of work as well as students and staff moving in and out of 8-10 portables. More news on this subject next month.

Treasurer's Report – Rose Short

Financials as presented.

We are still considering any kind of fundraiser to get the General Account up.

Grad Report – Rose Short

Meeting was very well attended in library. A good number of parents have offered to volunteer for dry grad.

Discussion and voting on requested item by PAC

Grad Awards

Two \$500 Scholarship Awards are requested.

Motion put forward by Rose Short to spend \$1,000 on two \$500 Scholarship Awards
Seconded by Amy Brake. All in favour.

To be purchased out of General Account and payment is due in beginning of April 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 7.40 pm

Next meeting on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 7pm
Yale School Library

(meetings will usually take place every third Wednesday of the month, unless posted differently)