

Minutes
Yale Middle School Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 21, 2012

Present: Lisa Sehn, Rose Short, Paula Schieven, Derrick Gravelle, Diane Herbert, Jennifer McArthur, Leeanne Easton, Peggy Baadsvik, Karen Lee, Amy Brake

Staff: Greg Byron, Iris Styran, Willis Taylor

Admin: Gary Macdonald (Vice Principal)

Call to order at 7pm in school library.

The minutes of the previous meeting of October 2012 adopted as circulated.

- Rose Short motioned, Greg Byron seconded

Presentation of PAC requests by Yale staff

Greg Byron for Misc. Athletics department

Is asking for \$2430 to purchase

- Field paint (lining of field 2x/wk for misc. sports, cost is \$1000 p/yr)
- Whistles for referees and coaches
- Water bottles for basketball team
- Rugby balls (15)
- Set pinnies (17, for soccer team)
- Medical supplies (tape, ice packs, heat balm)
- Rugby shoulder pads for previously injured children

All of these items are considered extra curricular

Willis Taylor for Musical Theatre

Is asking for Misc items for Musical Theatre, amounts as mentioned below.

- Set and props (period performance this year) \$1500
- Costumes (period performance this year) \$1500
- Microphones, 10 are needed but they are expensive. Yale is thinking of purchasing 2-3 each year to be able to have a whole new set of 10 in a few years. Cost is around \$912 each.

They will be practicing in theatre as of January 27, items are required before Christmas if possible. Woodworking class to help with construction of set.

All of these items are considered extra curricular

Iris Styran for Art department

Is asking for a slab roller for the amount of \$1433.60 or any part thereof

Item to be used in ceramics and clay classes. Approx. 300 students in Art class. Item to be used in all grades (9-12).

This item is considered to be a curricular expense.

Gary Macdonald for Doug Primrose request

Is asking for 5 TV's 40" to be used throughout the school for the amount of \$3000.

Old TV's will be moved to resource room. Gary McDonald will check on quote and to see where we can get best deal.

These items are considered extra curricular.

Christy Sandison for Music department

Is asking for two items for her band program

- Baritone Sax, replacing 20 year old sax. New sax costs \$4000.
- Piano. Two pianos in building but one will be replaced. Old one will be used throughout the school. Mrs. Sandison looking into baby grand piano, used cost at least \$4500. She will contact expert to check before purchase. Music budget will purchase rolling dock to move piano if necessary.

Musical instruments that are more expensive are usually purchased by the school for the students to use in band programs, and will remain at the school.

These items are considered curricular.

Vice-Principal's Report – Gary Macdonald

All is going very well in the school. Atmosphere within Yale (staff, admin, students and parents) is very positive. Grad meeting was well attended (around 120 parents). Good sign up for sports and arts of all students. Leadership students are given the task of conveying to staff how to make dances within Yale more fun and safer for everyone. Staff has been challenged to make classes more entertaining and interesting. Good feedback from teachers and students about this.

Treasurer's Report – Rose Short

Financials as presented.

Around \$26,000 after all expenses have been paid in the account. Our general account is getting very low, have to be careful with spending. Possibility of fundraising raised at PAC. We are open to all suggestions. Fundraising is hard because the different groups within Yale already do their own fundraising.

Grad Report – Diane Herbert

Teachers will be involved again under leadership of Gary Macdonald. Grade 11 parents are encouraged/needed/very welcome to volunteer for grad activities. They can contact Jay Pankratz for more information. Grad photos due on November 23. Number of parents willing to help out is increasing! All very positive.

Discussion and voting on requested items by PAC

Athletics Request

Motion put forward by Karen Lee to spend \$2430 on misc. items as mentioned earlier. Seconded by Rose Short. All in favour.

To be purchased out of gaming funds.

Musical Theater Request

Motion put forward by Derrick Gravelle to spend up to \$5000 on misc. items (including the purchase of 2 microphones) for the play this year. Seconded by Karen Lee. All in favour.

Arts Request

Our funds in general account are currently not sufficient to purchase this item. We will revisit item in January meeting.

School wide request

Motion put forward by Rose Short for the purchase of 5 TV's 40" to be used throughout the school for announcements and pictures and such for the amount up to \$2000. Seconded by LEEANNE EASTON. All in favour.

Music department request

Our funds in general account are currently not sufficient to purchase this item. We will revisit item in January meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8.23 pm

**Next meeting on Wednesday, January 16 2013 at 7pm
in Yale Secondary Library**

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