Minutes Yale Middle School Advisory Council Meeting Wednesday, September 18, 2013

Present: Lisa Sehn, Rose Short, Paula Schieven, Karen Lee, Lisa Samplonius, Amy Brake, Shari Wetmore

<u>Staff</u>: Trevor Wight, Allen Reynolds, Willis Taylor, Ali Tessarolo, Greg Byron, Christy Sandison

Admin: Gary Macdonald (Vice Principal)

Call to order at 7.05pm in school library.

The minutes of the previous meeting of June 12, 2013 adopted as circulated.

Rose Short motioned, Karen Lee seconded

Requests by staff

Christy Sandison for band program - \$28,500

Interested in expanding the music program by adding on a drum line. Also piano to be used by band, choir as well as musical theatre in desperate need of replacement.

Drumline (extra curricular) set of 20 \$17,000
Bari Sax \$2,500
Bass Amps (2) replacement of old ones \$600
Piano (also looking for second hand) \$8,000

The last three items cannot be purchased since funds in general account are not sufficient. Advice is for band students to fundraise for these items if desired. Action for Rose Short to get in touch with Christy Sandison to hear how many kids signed up for drum line. Considering buying 10 as a start, tabled until next meeting.

Ali Tessarolo for athletic department - \$3,600

Returning request for 10 spin bikes to be used for training athletes in the different extra curricular teams, to keep injured athletes of the teams working out and get back in shape and by cardio club. Bikes would only be accessible to teams in separate equipment room. Motioned by Paula Schieven to purchase 2 bikes for the amount of \$720 (gaming account) and to hear back from Ali after Christmas what their experience has been and to keep option open to purchase additional spin bikes. Seconded by Shari Wetmore. All in favor.

Greg Byron for athletic department - \$5,025

Requesting miscellaneous athletic supplies, all teams extra curricular (gaming account)

20 rugby balls 8 volleyballs

3 game balls 2 racks for volleyball storage

3 cases of tape 6 cases of field paint

3 boxes of ice packs 8 kettle balls

10 packs of bandages 28-30 girl rugby jerseys

Motioned by Rose Short, seconded by Amy Brake. All in favor.

Trevor Wight for track and field

Letter to request work on current track circulated. Track is in bad shape due to poor installation, no drainage and wear and tear. Since track is well used by ARC, Yale as well as WA Fraser and the community at large Trevor feels it would be in everyone's favor to have the track replaced by a rubber official running track. Cost of such a project could add up to \$1.5million. His request is for PAC to show support in any way to make a move to get something done about the track.

Conclusion from PAC: A lot of groundwork has to be done to check with Parks & Recreation as well as everyone else involved to see what the future holds for this property. Once City gives more clarity PAC would love to hear more about steps to be taken to get work done and see if PAC can get involved in any way.

Allen Reynolds and Willis Taylor for musical theatre - \$5,700

These items are extra curricular (gaming account)

Dragon Rental (2 wks from USA) \$ 1,700 Costume rental/purchase \$ 2,500 Wireless microphones(2) \$ 800 Backdrop rental \$ 700

Motioned by Rose Short, seconded by Lisa Samplonius. All in favor

Also discussed were extra advertising for the Shrek performances. Maybe more website advertising. Willis Taylor to look into that with website people within Yale and PAC will keep thinking along as well.

Vice Principal's Report – Gary Macdonald

Population within the school similar to last year (around 1,240 students). Year has a great smooth start so far. Meet the teacher night on Thursday. Website and email within school building is slow, ITC people looking into this issue. Picture day on Friday (NOT grad pics). Student ID card has barcode and can be used to put money on to use in cafeteria. Britt Palmer will be at Yale again to chat about scholarships for post secondary education. She has done this for many years and is very successful in it. Post Secondary night at Batement next week Thursday at 6pm. SAT prep course starts on September 30. Volleyball girls have gotten a strong start, 2 teams and both made the league. Unsure about low enrollment and no soccer team. Basketball and rugby have started as well. Shrek musical has been advertised at elementary level already. Of the 1400 matinee seats, 1200 have been sold!

Treasurer's Report – Rose Short

Financials as presented. Gaming funds to the amount of around \$25,000 not received yet. Expected to come in beginning October.

Elections:

Chairperson

Shari Wetmore was appointment by acclamation. Everyone in favor.

Vice Chairperson

Amy Brake was appointment by acclamation. Everyone in favor.

Both Shari and Amy, welcome to Yale PAC! Also a thank you to the outgoing PAC Chairperson Lisa Sehn. It has been great with you on PAC, wishing you a great last year at Yale as a grad parent!

Action for Rose Short to inform and check with HSBC to have Shari Wetmore as well as Paula Schieven signing authority for Yale PAC.

Fundraising idea – Rose Short and Lisa Samplonius

To increase our budget (general account) the following fundraising idea was presented: Since WA Fraser Middle School is doing the Save Around coupon book fundraiser, a smaller coupon book was presented that can be purchased for only \$10. We can ask Leadership students to actively sell these for PAC. To be discussed at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm

Next meeting on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 7pm in Yale Library

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