CEAP Parent Advisory Committee Minutes – December 16, 2009 (On-Line)

In attendance: Participating on-line at CEAP - Jeff Temple, Cathy Whittall, Karen Macias Participating on-line remotely - Andrea Plank, Teresa Pollen

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

Welcome, introductions, and Elluminate overview

Vice Principal's Report:

- Season's Greeting to everyone.
- There is no more detail the grad report from last meeting. There will be about 12-15 grads. Some will finish before June. A grad committee will be form from parents of grad students after Christmas break. PAC will act as a support for this group.

Chair Report:

PAC Executive

Chair-person	Teresa Pollen
Treasurer	Andrea Plank
DPAC Rep.	Karin K.

We currently have vacancies on the board for:

Vice-Chair Secretary

Members at Large

Please contact Teresa at **250-951-0375** or <u>chair.ceappac@gmail.com</u> if you would like more information on the above positions.

Treasurer's Report:

• Spirit wear sales went well. Sizes were smaller then expected, but the feedback has been positive. CEAP bought 12 t-shirts to have on hand and will take ideas on how to use them. This fundraising activity brought in about \$200.00. Thank-you to Andrea Plank for spearheading this.

DPAC Report:

• There is no DPAC report for this period. Teresa will contact our current DPAC rep to see how things are going.

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Old Business

Budget

It was noted that when considering our budget ideas we need to consider all grade levels. Parents had expressed concerns over setting up financial commitments during one year and the PAC's ability to honour those commitments from year to year. Teresa answered by explaining that the PAC's funding from Direct Access Funding is based on the number of students attending CEAP not the vibrancy of the PAC. She also explained that as a new executive is elected each year, current PAC's are not bound to honour prior PAC's commitments. Some new ideas from this meeting were:

- A larger social function at the beginning of the school year, camping was suggested. There is a possibility of appointing a committee for this in April or May, if this is important to parent members.
- Teacher appreciation.
- In regard to supporting our Grads, it was discussed that perhaps PAC supporting a bursary may not be in the best interest of all our Grads as it only supports one person

Hornby Island

Some reminders for Hornby Island were:

- The possibility of doing group food.
- Have high school students participate in a leadership capacity.
 - Jeff doesn't think The Tribune Bay Education Centre will have any problems with this so long as expectations are well laid out.
 - It was suggested that if we were to do this additional activities prior to camping be organized to allow some of the more shy students the opportunity to get to know the leaders.
- The possibility of PAC contributing to the transportation costs.

New Business

- The members present discussed the pros and cons of the online meeting experience and it was agreed that in this particular meeting the flow was choppy. Because 3 people were participating at the CEAP location on one computer we needed to pass the microphone been participants to reduce feedback and echoing. In our previous meeting everyone was on their own computer with a headset and microphone and we were able to have an open mic. Another concern was the ability to see a speakers face. We then tried out the video function, which seemed to answer this concern.
- Childcare was also discussed at live on site meetings. It was pointed out that if PAC will be offering this we will need to be responsible for finding the space and child-minding.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Next meeting:

Thursday, January 14th, 2010, 10:00 am at the CEAP Learning Centre We look forward to seeing you there!