

**Deep Cove Elementary Parents Advisory Council  
Minutes of the General Meeting at Deep Cove School  
November 21, 2007**

**Attending**

Christine Kenwood (co-president), Lisa Coulson (co-president), Martine Lunke (past president), Kelly Tomer (parent education), Karen Gartside (COPACS), Ina Smith (treasurer), Kim Dennis (newsletter), Julie Kaye (CPF), Janine Reedeker (website), Rob Carere (principal), Shelly Hardcastle (vice-principal) and 20+ parents and class representatives.

**Absent**

Carolyn Jenkinson (secretary)

**Guest Speaker**

Leanna Madill from UVIC presented a discussion on 'Video Game Learning' which explored the learning our children do when 'gaming'.

**Administration Report – Rob Carere**

Report cards will be coming home over the next 2-3 weeks. There were approximately 270 parent/teacher conferences which mostly went well. Coming up: Christmas and the educational focus on learning over the Christmas season. Soccer is soon concluding, and will end with a play off with other schools. Byte Camp is starting soon and numeracy materials have arrived. Rob will be meeting with teachers to discuss the children, classes, support and arrange to make any necessary adjustments as needed in the coming new year.

**COPACS – Karen Gartside**

Thrifty cards are in – please contact Karen to arrange pick up.

**Treasurer Report – Ina Smith**

The PAC accounts are in good standing – there is a new expense form to be filled out in Ina's envelope in the photocopy room – please fill out the form and leave your name, phone number and the receipt. Hot lunch – counting the money is very time consuming and it would speed things along if there were only one Cheque for each family – please send the Cheque with the oldest child. An application for the license for the raffle has been submitted and approved. Tickets have been printed and should be out soon.

**Past President – Martine Lunke**

The Christmas fair is just 2 ½ weeks away – 180 volunteers are still needed. Also, still looking for a coordinator for the games in the big gym. Raffle tickets will be out by the end of the week selling for \$2 per ticket. Donations are still needed for the silent auction as well as any packaging material. Items for the Emporium are also still needed. December 5<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for donations. Baking for the bake sale may be brought on the day of the fair – the class which brings in the highest percentage of baking will win a

pizza lunch for the class. Extra poinsettias have been ordered and people may still preorder plants. Cakes will also be needed for the cake walk.

Lesotho – Deflated soccer balls, pens, pencils, books, and teacher’s supplies will be delivered to the school in Lesotho. The Africa room at the Christmas fair will sell crafts the children of Deep Cove school have created and that money will go directly to Lesotho. Rosemary Scott from Deep Cove Market has purchased 100 copies of ‘Beatrice’s Goat’ to sell with all proceeds going to Lesotho.

**BC Fruit and Vegetable Program – Grace Owen and Susie McMillan**

Deep Cove applied and has been accepted into this 10 week program. Fresh produce will be delivered to the school twice per week every two weeks. Volunteers for this program must have FoodSafe certification, and volunteers will be needed to help distribute the food. Deliveries will be on Monday and there will be a permission form sent home with students to participate in the program.

**Vote on Expenditures**

A motion was made to reject the proposal to purchase booster seats as the PAC could be liable for lending a booster seat so it was decided not to pursue this further. Motion passed.

A motion was put forward to support a school in need by donating \$1000 – motion passed.

A motion was put forward to spend \$2000 on new book shelves for the library – motion passed.

Items deferred to vote on next September: Pedometers, playhouse for playground and parent books.

**Meeting adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

**Next PAC meeting:** January 16, 2008