

## MINUTES

### Hadley Junior High School Governing Board

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Oct 8, 2008

#### Present:

##### Parents

Sheila Strickland, Chair  
Silva Tanguay, Secretary  
Paul Fydenchuk  
Tammy McClelland

##### Administration

Tracey Walker, teachers  
Amy Dickson, teacher  
Johannah McKay-Boucher, teacher  
Deanna Roussy, teacher  
Rebecca McGregor, teacher

Dodie Payne, Vice-Principal  
Terri McPhail, Vice-Principal

Elizabeth Blanchard, staff

##### Regrets

Nick Valente, parent  
Debbie Dalton, parent  
Terry Kharyati, Principal  
Cary O'Brien, Commissioner

##### Guests

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#### 1. Call to Order – Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.  
Sheila Strickland is Chair for this meeting.  
**Quorum** –school attained quorum

#### 2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt agenda, T. Walker  
Seconded by A. Dickson, Vote: *all in favour*, Motion carried.

#### 3. Adoption of June Minutes

Motion to adopt Hadley June minutes; T. Mclellan  
Seconded by A. Dickson, Vote: *all in favour*, Motion carried.

#### 4. Reports:

**4.1 Parents' Committee** T. McClelland 10 minutes

Haven't met yet, members will change and the parent rep will change so it will be 3 positions instead of 2 (one being the special education committee)

**4.2 Home and School** S. Strickland 5 minutes

Great team that got a lot done at Chelsea school.

**4.3 Vice Principal's Report** T. McPhail/D. Payne 20 minutes

- Sept. 30 Attendance taking and T-Shirt distribution went well (all agree T-Shirts are great this year);
- Terry Fox run went great;
- October 2 & 3 Educator's Institute was very inspirational (great 2 days for teachers to learn and network);
- October 6 visit from the Olympic Hockey player Katie Wetherston sent a clear goal oriented message;
- October 8 Power of One anti-bullying presentation;
- 40<sup>th</sup> reunion was very successful;
- Student council elections took place and went great; currently casting ballot for the PW president.
- Ongoing Team meetings have been very successful despite initial reservations about their frequency;
- Science camp (Karen Piercy) 3 day field trip for 100-120 grade 8 students that receive recommendation from their teacher. April 15-17 by train (fundraising activities to try to raise 300\$ to help cover those who may not be able to afford it).

**Motion to adopt Science Camp Field Trip: A. Dickson  
Seconded by T. Mclellan, Vote: *all in favour*, Motion carried**

## 5. New Business:

5.1 Assessment, Reporting and Student Success 30 Minutes

### ***Dodie Payne brought forth concerns raised by a parent:***

1. re confusion surrounding the reporting periods:
  - End of Term 1 – report cards after Oct. 31 - Parent teacher interviews Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>
  - End of Term 2 – report card after Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>
  - End of Term 3 – report card after March 27<sup>th</sup> - Student led conferences April 8<sup>th</sup>
  - End of Term 4 – report card after June 18<sup>th</sup>
2. re few opportunities for formal meetings with teachers
  - Up to parents to schedule meetings with individual teachers
3. [see attached "Report Cards: Basic School Regulations"](#)
  - Teachers are very comfortable with the rubrics though there are some concerns from teachers and parents regarding the re-conversion of grades into percentages.
  - Discussion surrounding colour coding recognition system; need to find a balance to recognize both academic achievement as well as attitude to study.

## 6. Adjournment @ 8:20 pm

Next Meeting: Wed. November 12, 2008, 7 pm