Divisional Futures & Community Relations Committee Minutes

Thursday, January 26, 2012 – 11:45 a.m.
Kirkcaldy Heights School

Present: P. Bowslaugh (Chairperson), K. Sumner,

Regrets: J. Murray

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 11:45 a.m. by the Committee Chairperson, Mrs. Bowslaugh.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee Agenda was approved.

3. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

NIL

4. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

A) **Equity and Sustainability in Education (Meeting with King George School Student Representatives from Youth in Philanthropy, Student Council and Band).**

Chairperson, Mrs. Bowslaugh, thanked all in attendance for their participation and reviewed the role of the Brandon School Division Board of Trustees' Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee. The students were organized into three discussion groups. Students were asked the following three questions:

1) What are the good things about King George School?
2) What do Trustees need to know to make King George School better?
3) Is there something else you would like to tell Trustees that you haven't already said?

Following the break-out discussions, students were asked to report out on their discussions. A summary of the points raised by students is attached to the Minutes as Appendix "A".

At the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. Bowslaugh thanked all present for participating noting that student feedback was vital. The musical group "J.A.P." (Just Plain Amazing) performed two songs for the Trustees.

5. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

NIL

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Bowslaugh, Chair	J. Murray
K. Sumner	M. Snelling (Alternate)

Appendix "A"

Meeting with Students of King George School Thursday, January 26, 2012

Questions:

1) What are the good things about Alexander School?

- EAL
- EBS
- Breakfast/Lunch Programs
- The Counsellor
- Youth Revolution
- Positive Attitude
- Good Teachers and a Great Principal
- Music Program – Lots of Instruments
- Canteen
- "Buddies"
- Student Council
- Lots of Gym Supplies
- Sports Teams and Good Coaches
- Good Technology
- Library
- Playground
- Field Trips
- Parent Council
- Diversity
- Fundraisers
- EAL After School Program
- School Dances
- Good French Program
- The Joke of the Day and Quirky Fact

2) What do Trustees need to know to make King George School better?

- More Apple Technology
- Ability to bring their own electronic devises to school for education
- More food in the Canteen, more drinks in the machines
- More textbooks

3) Is there something else you would like to tell Trustees that you haven't already said?

- Really like Multicultural Days and the Talent Show
- Only school that has Windows 7
- Youth Revolution project won $250.00 for best commercial
- "It would be cool to talk about the EAL program, because I have been in two schools before and I think that our school has the best EAL Program with Mr. Boyd".