

**Innisfail Middle School - School Council**  
**November 1, 2011**

In attendance: Trina Westman, Sandra Bowe, Karina Lucas, Cory Wygiera, Janette Charlton, Denise Bennett, Kristie Fehr, Jay Steeves

Called to order at 7:45pm

Review of minutes from previous meeting. Accepted by Cory. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trina

**Old Business**

Sound Systems

- 3 years ago was last update for systems in classrooms
- 5 systems have been ordered for cost of \$5000.00 plus some additional costs which came from tech budget
- easy to install with no extra charges for this as it can be done internally.

**New Business**

Athletic update

- volleyball is wrapping up
- student/teacher contracts are bringing on great conversations for student ownership
- Titans are coming on November 25<sup>th</sup> for a Rugby Clinic
- Basketball is next sport to be introduced and offered

**Reports**

Report Card and Parent/Teacher notice

- teachers wanted to do meetings closer to report cards for better discussions regarding student achievement.

Halloween Festivities

- some questions on dress up about why only half day. It seemed to go very well and there were activities offered for students not wishing to participate in the Halloween activity.
- Mustang Gang was very helpful for students and staff.

### Cookie Dough

- sales seem low as mentioned in Parent Society. Community has been inundated with fundraisers right now and other clubs are reportedly also selling cookie dough.

### Education Plan Update

- Staff is re-evaluating how the first few months went. Heavy focus on literacy and numeracy.
- Mr. Collins is taking students from various grades to go to businesses to learn with staff how businesses are ran and reporting back to classes.
- Focusing on assessments within lessons and then figure out how to teach to reach outcomes.

### Money Released from Government

- Middle School lost some money in the spring. Application pending to have some funds re-instated.
- Class sizes are increasing as students transfer into school and admin is trying to keep them smaller.

### Accountability

- working with high schools to prepare kids better for that transition.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm

Next meeting December 6<sup>th</sup>. Time is open as it will run to be a stop during parent/teacher interviews.