



McKee School Advisory Council

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School Advisory Council Meetings

At last month's meeting parents were given a break-down of the tentative school organization for the next year. We were also treated to a presentation by Cheryle Went on the Peer Mediation program that is being introduced at McKee in May and are looking forward to the positive changes that this should bring about in the playground. We were also given the eye-opening results of a garbage audit that was undertaken as part of the evaluation of the school for its Eco-rating. More info in the minutes.

This month the meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 12, 2010. Start time is 6:30 p.m. Approximately \$8000 is available to be spent on the school revitalization program and a decision needs to be made on what to do with it. At this meeting, our chair will come up with options to be voted on. Come out and be a part of this very important decision! Food and babysitting will be provided.

Principal Profile One of the official tasks of the School Advisory Council is to submit an annual "Principal Profile" to the TDSB. This document allows all parents to have input on what skill set a potential Principal should have. In the event that the TDSB needs to replace a school principal, this document is consulted and the requests taken into consideration. As we begin to compile this document, the council would like to hear your views on what traits you think are important. **This does not mean that the TDSB is replacing our principal now!** McKee parents are invited to take part in this process by e-mailing your comments to mckeesac@gmail.com. All comments will be

reviewed by the SAC executive (co-chairs, secretary and co-treasurers).



Playground Many of you may have noticed that two sandpits have been installed and students have already begun track and field training using them. Thanks to the support of TD Friends of the Environment Fund the order was voted on by council together with the administration and submitted to the TDSB in time for the installation to be completed in this school year.

SAC thanks **METRO** for providing us with \$1000 towards the playground as part of their Green Apple Program. This money must to be used for the outdoor classroom. The SAC and the School Administration agreed at the last council meeting to approve the implementation of the outdoor classroom area.

AND JUST IN...**Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds Program** has approved the SAC grant application for \$2000. This money will be used towards planting shade trees in the playground. Thank you Toyota!