

NEILSON GROVE PARENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES – Monday, March 3, 2014

Meeting called to order @ 7:05 p.m. – 13 members in attendance (including Mr. Thompson)

Motion to adopt minutes of: Monday, February 3, 2013

Motion: Corinne Sepke; Second: Terynn Papadopoulos; All in favour, carried.

Chairperson's Report (Corrine Sepke)

- Nothing new to report.

Treasurer's Report (Deborah Stewart)

- Nothing to report.

Fundraising (Esme Kanda / Michelle Miller)

- **Batch:** Fundraiser underway with \$1100 in sales - approx. \$220 to the PAC. Lower than expected though may increase as fundraiser still open. Short selling period maybe to blame but can't extend selling period if we want everyone to receive their items before Spring Break. Only one received order was on a paper form – everyone else submitted and paid online through the Munch-a-Lunch system.
- **Basket Raffle:** Michelle Osing is the basket coordinator. Each division has been assigned a parent to be in charge of the basket collections. A hard copy of the parent assigned to each division will be distributed to students to take home. Each parent in charge of collections has also been provided a letter that they can distribute to parents in their division if they wish.
 - If parents have a company and would like to donate items, the PAC is happy to accept these items.
 - There are some leftover gift cards and mini stereos from the previous year that we can use.
- **Community Donations:** Would like to solicit donations from local companies but would prefer to hold received items for the upcoming Fall Fair. The reason for soliciting for donations now is that there is concern if we wait until the fall, many companies will have already reached their yearly donation limit to other organizations.
- **Market Night:**
 - Michelle attended the recent Holly Park Market Day and will ask her friend on the PAC if they have a list of vendors. Holly Park Market Day had many swap meet items. NG PAC agrees that we would like our Market Night to be more orientated to vendors with a company.
 - Port Guichon also had a Christmas Market so we may want to contact them to ask for their vendor list.
 - Stephanie has estimates that the gym can fit up to 34 tables if the basket raffle is set up in the Multipurpose Room or in hall. The concession can be set up in the kitchen or Multipurpose Room.
 - Tables to be sold for \$30. (Est. \$900 for 30 tables sold). No power will be available to the vendors.
 - Michelle and Esme will approve vendor applicants.
 - Licenses will be needed. A gaming license for the basket raffle – possibly a license for the concession.
 - Marilyn will make up a flyer advertising for vendors and will submit it to Michelle and Esme
- **Labels:** Would like the personalized label sales to coincide with the Edupak orders. Last year the Edupak orders went home April 4 and were due back mid-April. This year, it will likely be similar.

Playground Expansion (Marilyn Belsham)

- Michelle Miller, Stephanie Pettie, Marilyn Belsham and Mr. Thompson took a tour of the playgrounds at Hawthorne (Habitat), Cougar Canyon (Habitat) and (RecTec). After viewing the playground and discussing the companies, we decided to use Habitat as our equipment vendor.
- Habitat is working on a design for NG which we should receive before Spring Break.
- Plan on bringing the design to the students to discuss what the students would like to see in their playground. The student meeting(s) with selected class reps will likely happen after Spring Break.

Traffic & Safety Report (Velda Low - absent)

- Volunteer COPS have been present at the school this week, talking to jay walkers and recording license plates.

Emergency Preparedness Report (Ila Senez - absent)

- Nothing to report.

DPAC Report (Lindsay Macool / Shawna Wang)

- Shawna attended. Diane Graves spoke about assessment evaluation and mentioned NG is already practicing formative assessment. Recent article in the Leader featured formative assessment in NG. For those that are interested, may want to refer to article by Paul Black and Dylan William "Inside the Black Box" (<http://weaeducation.typepad.co.uk/files/blackbox-1.pdf>)

Hot lunch/Snack Program (Danielle Palivos / Terynn Papadopoulos / Michelle Osing)

- Chinese Food hot lunch day occurred. Serving sizes were very generous and many kids had a lot of leftovers.
- Next hot lunch is from Subway.

Milk Program (Carolyn Scott – absent)

- Nothing to report.

Teacher's Report (None present)

- N/A

Track & Field District Meet (Nancy Pavlich)

- Nancy met with Tia Litz from Port Guichon to discuss the joint concession between PG and NG at the district meet on May 6 (May 8 is the alternate date). Discussed the menu and Tia is pricing out different menu items. They will be asking for donations from vendors. Many parent volunteers will be needed for the day.

Principal's Report (Bob Thompson)

- Basketball: Boys Grade 6/7 playing at Sunshine Hills on Tues.; Girls Grade 6/7 playing at Sacred Heart on Wed.
- Science Fair: NG Science Fair was held last week. This Wednesday will be the District Fair. The NG fair went well and a number of NG students will be presenting at the District Fair at Scottsdale Mall.
- Report cards going home this week.
- Next Monday the BC Lions will be in the school talking about energy conservation
- Hoop Shoot at SDSS March 11, 5:30-7:30. Kids in Grade 5-7 will shoot as many baskets as they can within 1 min.
- NG Band going to Gathering of the Ladner Bands at Ladner Elementary, March 13 1pm. Space is very limited.

- NG Band and Guitar Class will perform at NG. March 14 1pm. Everyone is invited.

Misc. (Stephanie Pettie)

- A group of NG parents attended a Saleema Noon talk held by Dr. Brandi Wiebe at the Steveston Community Center and we wondered if NG could hold a talk for the students. NG PAC usually brings Saleema Noon into the school on a 2-3 year cycle. Port Guichon is considering bringing in a different organization for their next sex ed talks. NG PAC may want to discuss booking either Saleema Noon or another similar company into the school for next year at next month's meeting. Alternately, the PAC may want to bring in Jessie Miller for next year. TBD.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:01 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 7, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m. (NG Library)