

PAC Meeting Minutes, November 2, 2015

Meeting called to order @ 7:05 pm; 14 Members in attendance, including Mr. Thompson.

Motion to adopt last minutes: Terynn Papadapolous; Second: Michelle Osing

Chairperson's Report (Stephanie Pettie)

- Budget from last month had some errors in it so went over updated budget. This shows a gaming account (earmarked for playground fund) of \$12,180, a total of \$13,575 for items such as field trips, cultural performances, classroom incentives, outdoor education, skating, and Halloween security guard. The PAC general account has \$49,042 including \$35,340 of that from playground donations which leaves \$127 as the end balance. This means we will need to work to raise funds to cover next year's requests. Vote to accept budget as discussed. All in favour, motion carried.
- Each month, we are unable to get the most current financials in time for a meeting on the first Monday of the month, Suggestion to move PAC meetings to third Monday of month. This may conflict with DPAC meetings but otherwise all in favour. Mr. Thompson will confirm this suggested date change starting January 2016.
- Suggestion to alternate the meeting times to evenings one month and mornings the next month was heard. Possibility that this may make it more convenient for other parents to attend but the PAC chair and other regular attendees of PAC meeting might have issues attending morning meetings. Decision to keep meetings in the evenings moving forward.

Treasurer's Report (Tasha Mangat)

- Financials from October not yet available.
- Closing balance from September \$50,031.
- Approximate sales from Hot Lunch are \$8,000.
- Gaming account from September \$7,805 (this doesn't include the \$4280 received for this year which was reflected in the amount mentioned in Budget section above).

Fundraising (Michelle Miller / Esme Kanda)

- The number of clothes and items collected for Canadian Diabetes Association was not overwhelming. Approximately 40 bags were received and more can be dropped off at Esme's house before this Friday. There are plans to do the fundraiser again in the spring around Spring Break. The next time around we may arrange for an evening drop off to accommodate everyone.
- Family photo fundraiser is booking for weekend of November 7&8. Photo sessions will be \$50, with \$40 going to the PAC. All money from purchasing prints / digital copies will go to the photographer.
- Breakfast with Santa will be December 2.
 - Lots of discussion had around adding in some sort of additional fundraiser at the breakfast. Talk about a donation stocking or wishing well or some sort of candy cane pull for inexpensive prizes.
 - Discussion about need for a parent to play Santa this year. Anyone interested should contact PAC.
- Plans under way for front seat draw for Christmas recital.
- Gift cards and magazine subscription fundraiser will happen before Christmas break.
- Suggestion from Terynn for next year. Parents could pay \$10 for a wreath made by the children. The cost of supplies is around \$2.50 so that's \$7.50 profit for the PAC. Mr Thompson will have to discuss this with the teachers as it requires their participation to supervise the making of the wreaths.
- If anyone has any fundraising ideas bring them to Esme and Michelle.

Traffic and Safety (Deb Stewart)

- Nothing to report

Emergency Preparedness (Ila Senez)

- Nothing to report.

DPAC Report (Lindsay Macool / Shawna Wang)

- Next DPAC meeting is "bring another parent theme" to encourage more people to learn about DPAC.
- There will be 2 additional pro D days this year. Dates are TBD.
- The 10-year vision board showing the vision and direction of the district is currently undergoing a 5-year check-in.
- A FAQ is going to be created about the new curriculum to act as a hand out at PAC meetings.

Lunch / Snack (Terynn Papadapolous / Michelle Osing / Danielle Palivos)

- Donut day this Friday November 6.
- Most people have paid for their lunch orders, although there are 8 orders that still need to be paid for.
- Quiznos is a new lunch supplier this month. Feedback from the kids appreciated!
- Suggestion to add additional snack days to direct those funds to the playground.

Milk Program (Heather Beaumont - absent)

- Nothing to report

Playground update (Marilyn Belsham)

- The Parks, Recreation & Commission met Oct 16 and recommended our proposal for a matching grant of \$35,000 for the playground. The Commission approved the recommendation and brought forward their recommendation to Council on Nov 2 (tonight!). Once we hear about the grant, a new quote will need to be received and the final push for the last amount needed. We expect it to be approximately \$3,000-\$5,000.

Teacher Report (Mrs. Mann)

- Remembrance Day assembly will be November 10. Parents are welcome to attend. Starts as close to 11am as possible, most classes will participate in the assembly.
- Thanks to PAC for all they do.

Principal Report (Bob Thompson)

- As per DPAC update, two new pro d days will be announced but a decision needs to be made on the exact dates.
- New report card format will be released this year. This aligns with the new redesigned curriculum. Core competencies such as personal responsibility will be included. NG is the pilot for the district with these new report cards.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:57pm