

Charlie Lake PAC General Meeting

April 14, 2014

Attendance: Tracy Nielsen, Tanya Hardy, Linda Bontron, Jody Baumle, Shannon Garbe, Nadine Stirling, Jennifer Stanley, Kimberly Shaw , Mr. Bourcet

Called to Order: 6:34pm

Dave Sloan-Principal selection round table-Dave Sloan came to hear our PAC members opinions on what type of principal we would like to have employed in our school. He will present our suggestions to the hiring panel. He is unsure if we will be able to have a PAC member present in any of the hiring processes, but is happy to relay our wishes to the school board. There were many opinions and qualities we would like to see in our new principal; open minded, hands on with the students, sees the value in each individual, is willing to be open and honest with the PAC and parents of the school, just to name a few. Dave assured us that there will be an adequate amount of training for the new principal to get to know the ‘ropes’ of our school. We will be sad to see Mr. Bourcet leave for retirement! We have truly enjoyed working with him!

Old Business:

1. Canteen info for kitchen-Linda and Mr. Bourcet will be going to watch the lady at Alwin Holland who runs the canteen there, to get ideas on how she manages to make as much food as she does in such a short amount of time. There was concern from some PAC members that having a canteen could create some issues. There is a potential that many students may not get lunch if they are counting on the canteen because of the length of line ups (our school has the largest student population). With the current Hot Lunch program, the food is delivered to the classrooms so the students have the max amount of time to eat. Linda will bring more info on the viability of running a canteen program to the next meeting.
2. DeVry fundraising-Forms are printed and ready to go out.

New Business:

1. Administration Report-
 - a. BCTF job action will start right away. Teachers will not go to staff meetings and will not do any extracurricular outside of the classroom. BCTF is concerned about class size and administration is looking at restructuring classes depending on three different scenarios.
 - b. 6 staff members will be leaving next year for various reasons.
2. Treasurer’s Report- Gaming account \$6,356.93 Chequing account \$47,812.63 \$10,000 of the chequing account is for the playground fund.
3. DPAC Report-There is a BCCPAC conference in May that Jody would like to go to. She will look into the details. The next DPAC meeting there will be votes on the BCCPAC resolutions. Jody will bring those details to our next meeting.

4. PAC recruitment-Mr. Bourcet agreed to talk about PAC at the next assembly to the students and parents who are there. He will let them know what will be missing if PAC does not run! Thanks Mr. Bourcet! Also, a PAC representative needs to be at the Kindergarten orientation to speak to all the new parents of the school.
5. Home Reading-Parent volunteers are needed to help with this; organizing etc. Will need to do a call out for the end of the year and in the fall. There was discussion on if Ms. Haugen would be willing, with volunteers, to 'level' the library so that the younger ones would take home level appropriate books. Mr. Bourcet will speak to Mrs. Haugen about this idea.
6. One on One Reading Program-there is currently a Buddy Reading program in the school, where the older students mentor the younger grades. But not everyone benefits from this. It would be great to see this increased in the school. Suggestions of holding one day workshops for the older students to teach them strategies and to somehow get more of the community involved, ie. parents, grandparents. Mr. Bourcet and Jody will discuss ideas and present them at the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:36 pm

Next Meeting: May 12 at 7:00pm