

General PAC meeting minutes – March 2014

Called to order 1:30pm

Attending: Jody Baumle, Linda Bontron, Sherri Lock, Shannon Garbe, Tracy Neilson, Sara Hafner, Tina Peters, Mr. Bourcet, Andrea Hicks

Business to discuss:

- Admin Report

Building Status: the 3rd report has come back from the testing of the building. A letter will be sent home today regarding the results. The company “Pinchin West Ltd” did not find much to report. There were levels of co2 in room 15, but district found a glitch in the air handling system, and that has now been fixed.

The ducting in the portables will be cleaned over spring break. Once ducts are cleaned, the rooms will be opened for usage again. Ms. Myhre’s class will go back to their class room; Mrs. Seguin prefers to stay where she is in the intermediate hallway. Mrs. Johnson (art prep) will continue to be mobile.

BCTF: teachers voted 83% in favor of job action. They have up to 90 days to decide. Not too sure what that will look like, but could mean lack of supervision, and lack of communication similar to last time.

Principal Replacement: Mr. Bourcet will be retiring January 1st, 2015. A member of PAC may be allowed to sit in on the hiring process for replacement. Jody makes a motion for Sherri Lock to sit in on the meetings to represent PAC if this opportunity is given. Tina seconds the motion. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

- Kitchen update

The tiles that were part of the kitchen fundraiser have been mounted and are in the hallway across from the kitchen. Be sure to check it out. There is a blank tile for us to put a placard on. This will be looked into.

We are looking for new enthusiastic helpers. Hot dog day is going to need a new crew for next year. Also, pizza day needs a food safe certified helper. Jody stepped forward to help with pizza day for now.

It was brought forward to see if there is any way our school could have more of a meal/canteen idea. Simple healthy food that parents could send money and kids could buy food. It was agreed that we lack parent involvement, but that maybe this would have to be a paid position. The price of the food sold would have to be enough to support the wages. Linda will look into it for a future meeting, possible the AGM, to discuss this with more detail.

- Fundraiser Report

Snack pack reusable fundraiser – we sold \$435.00 and made \$87.00 profit.

Devry orders will go out at the end of April beginning of May. They will be due back may 14th with delivery of May 30th.

- Treasurer Report
Chequing account: \$ 47644.07
Gaming account: \$ 6355.58
- DPAC Report
Some ideas that came in from other schools: book publishing...kids write a story, and their books are published for parents to buy; buddy benches...kids that are sad or feeling left out sit on the bench and when other kids see them, they come and include them in what they are doing. Other schools seem to have good results with it
New school issue – Parents may need to push and put pressure on district to get the new schools that have already been approved. Jody will gather more information about this. We may need to form a committee that would focus on this issue.
- Other Business
We still need a chairperson.
We may need to send out an ultimatum letter to parents. If we cannot find a leader for PAC, then PAC may need to disband. Tell parents about the programs that will no longer be available for their children without PAC. Maybe it will shake them up a bit and get them to come help.
Meeting time: it was very evident that a daytime meeting was not successful, even though there were a number of people on the surveys we sent that said they would prefer daytime meetings. It was discussed that having executives at the meeting was important. Also, that we will never find the perfect time to have a meeting. There was discussion about changing the time of the evening meeting. Jody made a motion to hold the next meeting @ 6:30PM instead of 7. Andrea seconded the motion. All were in favor of trying it. Linda will contact the other executives to make sure they are all in agreement. Time will be announced in the newsletter for April.
- Door prize: Tim Horton's gift card – Tracy won!!

Meeting adjourned @ 2:20pm