

## November 12<sup>th</sup> 2013 General PAC meeting

Attendance: Linda Bontron, Andrea Hicks, Sandra Hoffman, Patricia Colley, Nadine Stirling, Kimberly Shaw, Lindsay Davis, Geilan , Michael Bourcet, Jody Baumle, Melissa Babuick, Leanne Humphrey.

Called to Order: 7:03 pm

Business to discuss:

- **Christmas dance**, need committee to organize. Discussion on buying decorations or borrowing from the Hospital Foundation. Patricia will be the chairperson of the committee. The dance will be the Dec 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be no silent auction, but there was discussion about other fundraising options. Maybe raffle some baskets. More details to follow.
- **Secret Santa gift shop** – Leanne has purchased some items already. She has done up an information brochure to hand out. It will be on Dec. 11, 12 & 13. There are quite a few new businesses online and there will be a lot of variety this year. It will be set up similar as last year where the students will come to the shop with a wish list. We are looking for gift bags for wrapping. Contact Leanne if you are willing to help- [4onthelake@gmail.com](mailto:4onthelake@gmail.com), the shop will be open the night of the dance so the parents can shop as well.
- **Fundraising Report**-Leanne brought a fundraising idea. Using children's artwork and put them onto blankets etc. This is done through Unforgettable memories. It is a great idea because a lot of parents want to purchase this. Finch has done this and it was very successful. There was discussion on if we should do a trial run on this for Mother's day or just wait for Christmas. Andrea makes a motion to do this for Mother's Day. Nadine 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed. Dielman's \$1,489.66 profit. This is low compared to last year but it is a really easy fundraiser. There are no numbers on the poinsettias and Purdy's yet. A suggestion for a sport swap as a fundraiser, where the school could keep a commission from each sale. A pajama drive for Fort St. John. A drop box and the children could do it for house points. This is something to bring to admin. Rada cutlery fundraiser –hostess benefits to go toward purchasing items for the kitchen. It will be in the teachers lounge. Need to be done by Nov. 25.
- **Admin Report**-Facebook page is in progress. The shutdown of the school for the sewer gas. The building is old! There was a blockage in the septic tank and the pump was down. When they cleared the blockage, there was a huge amount of gas that was released. Administration was not allowed to send the students home. The gas was not moving quickly. WCB was phoned and they closed the building until professionals cleared the building for safety. No busses were available until the end of the day. Next time phone calls will be done earlier to let them know what is going on. Parents called each other and got the word out. Emergency response plan will be reviewed and

revised. Re-plumbing has been done to fix the problem. Remembrance Day Ceremony we has a veteran come to speak. He was impressed with the student's behaviour. He wrote a letter in thanks for their behaviour. Andrea will put in on the website. He would like to put it on video and send it to Ottawa as an example. It will go in the trophy case.

- **Treasurer Report**-Gaming \$ 9495.24 Chequing \$35,288.09
- **DPAC Report**-DPAC is paying for all BCCPAC memberships. We will be reimbursed. This helps our district to have more clout in the BCCPAC. They got their gaming grant! A new PAC in Upper Halfway School it is all men. Workshop to learn about PAC, i.e. how to do treasurer, chair etc., will happen this year sometime.
- Andrea is resigning as chair immediately. We are looking for someone to fill this position. Please call the school to contact PAC execs if you are interested. Or use the PAC contact page on the website.
- Sun butter sample to replace peanut butter.
- Draw Prize-Sandra Hoffman
- Adjourn Meeting-8:10pm