

PAC MEETING OCTOBER 14TH, 2014

Minutes

Called to order at 7:04pm

ATTENDANCE: Erin Merk, Jessie Campbell, Linda Bontron, Lyndsey Davis, Dori Gladysz, Tamara Russell, Tara Maddigan, Marni Parsonage, Jen Heinrichs, Melissa Babuick, Alexa Rogers, Andrea Hicks, Stephanie Peters, Amanda Hunn, Nadine Stirling, Teal Johnstone, Natasha Brown, Geilan Carnell, Lonnie Burgess, Becky Rough, Annamari Miles

Welcome – So great to see so many new faces!! Welcome to our Parent Advisory Council meeting!

Meeting started with rules of decorum: basically means manners through the meeting - remarks/comments are kept to issue being discussed, try to stay on topic. Be courteous and avoid personal remarks. Turn cell phones off if possible.

Introductions -

Executives for this year...

Fundraising Coordinator - Lyndsey Davis

Secretary - Monica Conway

Foods Coordinator - Linda Bontron

Treasurer - Nadine Stirling passing it to Marnie Parsonage. Thank you for all your time Nadine!

DPAC Rep - Jody Baumle passing it to Annamari Miles. Thank you for all your time Jody!

Vice-Chair - Geilan Carnell

Chairperson – Position not filled at this time. It is crucial that we fill this position soon!

Updating and maintaining the school's Facebook page- Annamari Miles.

Thank you to all those who have helped in the past, and to those who are willing to help this year. Motion made by Andrea to add Marnie Parsonage to the signing authority. Seconded by Lyndsey. All in favor. Motion passed.

Linda laid out the importance of PAC & how it involves parents. Went over some of the things PAC has done in the past. All parents of the school are part of the PAC. PAC helps support and improve the quality of education and well-being of the students. PAC advises the school administration and staff of parental concerns, on matters related to things going on in the school. PAC promotes cooperation between home and school. PAC assists parents in accessing the system - there are many sources available to parents through the district. PAC contributes

to the effectiveness of the school by involvement of parents and community members. PAC organizes many activities and events.

Being involved - It is what you make it. You can do little, or you can do a lot. It is all helpful. Volunteering in classrooms or library, extra eyes, or at events, come to meetings and have a say - speak up if you see something and want to know more about it, or have an idea of something that might help the school as a whole. A criminal record check needs to be done before helping out.

Bursary recipient - Seth Gladysz...former Charlie Lake Elementary student. He was very happy to receive the award. Cheque has been issued.

Info for new parents - touched briefly on topics that come up but not everyone knows what they mean...

-reading incentive- extra reading minutes documented and tallied: can be the student reading or the parent. At the end of the month the forms are collected and kids that have read the required time get free books and a chance in the draw for a gift card.

- Extra Eyes - extra supervision on the playground. Annamari Miles is willing to make a schedule if anyone wants to help out at recess, lunch time, after school.... need a criminal record check

-Kid Check- the school calls home if a child is marked absent. Please call if your kids will be away, or if they are sick in the night there is an answering machine to help out.

Fundraising report - Lyndsey

Deilman's has gone out and will be counted this week. Purdy's and Poinsettias will be going home at the end of the month. Color copies will be made for the Poinsettia forms.

Saving funds for playground equipment - a percentage of every fundraiser goes towards it.

We will be doing the Panago pizza tickets in the New Year. We agreed to this last year.

Contact Lyndsey if you are interested in helping out with fundraiser stuff.

Treasurer report- Nadine:

Gaming grant has been deposited.

Gaming account \$9883.07

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Admin report- Mr. Bourcet

We have 382 kids this year. 115 new students. 67 kindergartens, 50 from other areas. About 40 Russian speaking students including Intermediates from Wonowon. There's been challenges and hiccups. We have 4 kindergarten classes. 16 divisions... up from 14 last year. 230 students, k-3. Still have teachers to hire.

Strike was handled well at our school because of a good picket captain. Teachers have signed a 6yr contract.

Mr. Bourcet is retiring at Christmastime after 35 yrs. We will know by next meeting who will be replacing him.

Secret Santa gift shop -Details were given as to what the gift shop is, and how it could be improved. Tanya Hardy is willing to coordinate this if we want to go ahead with it. Motion made by Andrea to go ahead with the gift shop. Seconded by Nadine. All were in favor. Thought was given to possibly pre-purchase inventory. Discussion was had to the pros and cons for this. An executive decision will be made at a later date.

Christmas concert/dance - Angie Pomeroy will be coming to do the week long dance residency again this year. The dance will likely be on the Thursday evening. This topic will be discussed in November's meeting.

Other discussions held:

Halloween is up to teachers to organize. If there is something happening, they will notify parents.

It was discussed some of the things that are not appropriate to bring to a meeting to discuss: If it pertains to a staff member or a specific issue it should be brought to the school administrator.

Discussion was had again about ideal time for meetings. Consensus was that 7pm would be fine for now.

Canteen planning. Mr. Bourcet will contact the person who was thinking of doing this to see if she still wants to.

Executive positions filled - Chair position was still not filled. Geilan will run the meetings until someone steps forward.

Door prize draw: Purdy's chocolates - Jessie Campbell Congratulations! 😊

Meeting adjourned @ 8:32.