

Ecole Irvine Elementary
Parent Advisory Committee Meeting
November 17, 2010
School Library

Parents in Attendance:

Elizabeth Roberts - co-chair	Sandra Koziol - co-chair
Claire Bain	Janice Zambon
Michele Wong	Colleen Harper
Paul Arvisais	Kim Stark
Maria Darwin	Danielle Jones
Marc Simpson	

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm.

Review and acceptance of October minutes will be deferred to the January meeting.

Smart board demonstration - M. Escueta provided the attendees with a comprehensive and interactive demonstration of the Smart board and how he uses it in his classroom.

Treasurer's Report (Tammy Hannah - report given by Elizabeth Roberts)

In account at CIBC \$13680

In gaming account at RBC - \$10,900

Outstanding cheque for approx \$2000 for teachers

We owe approximately \$1000 for green (hedges)

Approx \$800 allocated to Fruit and Veggie program

Approx \$2400 allocated to Rollerblading

\$300 allocated to emergency prep

Technology in the classroom - we are doing a map of the school and documenting which rooms have technology and which ones still need it. This will help with the overall prioritization of who gets the

Fundraising Fee report - So far, we have raised approximately \$4000 through the fundraising fee, which will go a long way in helping to fund. If you haven't submitted your fee, you can still do so. Reminders will be sent out.

Rollerblading (enhanced extra-curricular) is scheduled for Feb 22 - March 4.

Santa Breakfast - December 11 (Claire Bain)

The first organizing meeting has been held. There will be another meeting on Nov 22 at 7:30 pm at Starbucks (Oxford and Lougheed). The committee is looking for someone (or a group of people) to help coordinate the breakfast.

Grade 5 Leaving Celebrations (Claire Bain/Elizabeth Roberts)

There have been a few ideas discussed re the PAC's involvement/funding of the Grade 5 Leaving Celebrations (e.g., the PAC to provide a gift instead of a monetary donation; provide a certain amount per student, provide a flat \$\$\$ amount).

Some of the Grade 5 parents have requested that they be the ones to run the raffle for front row tickets to the Christmas concert, with some or all of the funds going to the Grade 5 Leaving celebrations.

Motion (Claire Bains)/Second (Kim Stark): PAC to contribute \$500 to the Grade 5 leaving ceremony. Carried.

Motion (Claire Bains)/Second (Janice Zambon): The grade 5 committee will put on the raffle for front row tickets with 50% of the proceeds going to the Grade 5 leaving celebrations and 50% to SHARE. Carried.

Liaison News - no report

Emergency Prep (Nicole Dinning via Elizabeth Roberts)

Everything is going well. The paperwork containing the childrens' emergency information should be finished next week.

Principal's Report - Darlene Proulx

Upcoming important dates

December 3 - First formal report cards will be issues

December 9 - Early dismissal for interviews

December 15 - Holiday Cheer concert

1:00 matinee and 7:00 evening show

Newsletter information coming out next week

50/50 and raffle draws to finance upgrades in lighting and sound

There are changes in the staging this year - we will be removing the high risers at the back of the stage for safety reasons.

Please note that last year we had a brown out during the evening performance because of the large draw on power. **Please check your cameras and video cameras before coming to the performance to make sure the batteries are fully charged. There will be no plug-ins available during the performance to charge your batteries.**

The afternoon performance tends to be less crowded and hot than the evening performance, which may make it more suitable for families with young children and or grandparents.

The kindergarten sleepover will be Dec 16. Meetings have happened and volunteers are in place... let the fun begin!

Koins for Kenya

Toonie Day, Jean Day and hockey centres to raise money. Goal is \$2000 and updates will be sent out.

Rolling coins, etc on Friday.

Technology additions: 2 projectors have arrived; waiting for 2 laptops to arrive, Ms. Evans; laptop was replaced so she will not need a new one.

Student teachers finishing up: 3 student teachers, Ms. Head, Ms. Shamley and Ms. Holt will be leaving Nov 26 after completing their final practicum from SFU.

Scholastic book fair will be December 7, 8 and 9. More information will be provided in the newsletter next week. Parent volunteers are needed.

DPAC/SPC - No report

New business - no new business

Next meeting - Wednesday January 12 at 7:15 pm