

HILLCREST PAC MEETING-SETEMBER 27, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE: Rob, Jason, Barb, Catherine, Louise, Sabrina, Paula, Sandy, Scott, Karla, Rebecca, Karen, Ann, Randy, Pam, Esther, Ja-Lynn, Mingta

CHAIR: Louise welcomed everyone new & old; we introduced ourselves. This is our AGM so we'll have to elect this year's PAC.

PRINCIPAL: We are full- 543 students, 19 divisions, with 29-30 students per class. We're closed to outside catchment applications. We're up 1 g.8 d as due to the g.8 h c d as.

-some mouldy carpets were replaced. A special dog was brought in and it could only find the one area. The mould was due to carpet cleaning without thoroughly allowing carpet to dry before closing class up for the summer- not due to leaks in building.

- Jesse Miller spoke to the kids about the dangers of internet privacy. He is a social media expert and will speak to parents on October 12 at 7 pm in the multipurpose room

-photos have been taken & kids have their bus passes.

- activities are under way : beginners and advanced band; boys (Tues) & girls(Thurs) choir; swimming volleyball & cross-country running; year book; spirit squad & me-to-we.

-due to teacher's strike the open house was cancelled, however, you can still reach teachers when necessary.

-Sept. 29: Terry Fox Run

-Oct.7: Highlander Games

-Oct.12: Jesse Miller-7 pm Multipurpose room

-Oct.12: Grade 6 Parent feedback 6-7 pm (before Jesse)

VICE PRINCIPAL: we need 3 people again this year for the SPC (school planning committee). It is Hillcrest's "Action Plan for Learning" which will continue this year as nursery, and review the goals, plans/ strategies & organization for this year. For example you will go over classroom size and number of students with special needs. This year we have 8 full time special education staff

ELECTIONS: Catherine announced, " No district employee can vote for, nor be on a PAC."

These are the positions nominated and seconded for this year-2011/ 2012.

CHAIR: Louise Hendriks

VICE CHAIR: Karla Scribner

TREASURER: Sabrina Chang

SECRETARY: Barb Tetu

DPAC: Paula Solk

FUNDRISING: Catherine Hubbs, Ja-Lynn McIntyre, Ann Kumpula

SPC: Karla Scribner, Pam Cowan-alt., Karen Hansen-alt.

FUNDRAISING: Catherine went over last year's events. This year she is planning:

Scholastic: Sept & Feb during parent nights

Magazines: Oct.

Clothing drive: start Nov. 8

Poinsettias: Dec. 1

Purdy's: Easter

Auction: April

Baskets: May/ Mother' Day

50/50 Draws: at band functions; we'd ready have license.

TREASURER: Sabrina went over last year's revenue and explained why we have 3 accounts:

"School" is for parent donations, "general" is for money that we make fundraising, and "gaming" is from community grants and 50/50 draw money. Each account may only be used for specific expenses. We are careful not to use the money on an unqualified expense. Each item is discussed and voted on. Expenses should benefit as many students as possible.

NEW BUSINESS: we decided to hold off on teacher's "Wish lists" until job action settles. Teachers tell us what they'd like to have (fundraising) money for and we try to make sure it gets distributed equally. There are some standard requests that benefit sports and music enrichment. For example last year a music keyboard and sports uniforms were purchased.

- At the end of last year we agreed that the art department would be first in line this year to receive funds. Mrs. MacMillan would like a clay roller to make projects easier. The cost was about \$800-1000. Pam made a motion to pay for the roller from the "general" account; Karla seconded it. Passed.

- We can approve the gaming expenses as we know how much money we have. There are 35 teachers this year, and 7 teams (blue, green, orange have 4 classes each & yellow has 3 classes).

Teachers-\$50 each to a max of \$1750 (35x\$50)

Teams-\$300 each to max of \$2100 (7x \$300)

Grade 8 Leaving - \$600

Performing Groups- \$1200 max

TOTAL: \$ 5650 Motion to accept 4 expenses from "granting." 1st- Barb, 2nd- Pam. PASSED.

- There is a playground grant that we can apply for. Pam and Karla will try to look into it- no promises.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday October 25, 2011 @ 7pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED