

Hillcrest Middle School Pac Meeting - October 26, 2010.

In attendance: Louise Hendriks, Barb Tetu, Paula Solk, Kim Ryan, Catherine Hubbs, Sabrina Chang, Chuck Lewis, Angela Pesa, Rob Foot, and Jason Hewlett.

Members: Chair: Louise Hendriks

Vice chair: Fran Grant

Secretary: Barb Tetu

Treasurer: Sabrina Chang

SPC: Debbie Mogg, Anja Orser, Lesia Verones (alt)

Fundraising: Catherine Hubbs

DPAC: Leslie Jackson, Paula Solk

Parent ED: Angela Pesa (to be confirmed), Kim Ryan, Barb Tetu

October Meeting agenda accepted and passed.

September 27 Minutes accepted by Barb, seconded by Louise and rest of executive in attendance; passed.

Principal's Report: Rob Foot

- School activities are underway. We just had the most successful Terry Fox Run ever on Oct. 6, raising \$4096 !!! Due to student marshals directing the students this year there were NO lost kids (like last year) in Mundy Park.
- There were two well attended Parent Orientation Feedback meetings on Oct. 6, with 10 commonly asked questions which will be addressed in the October newsletter.
- On Oct. 18-19 the Superblocks were held for all the students. Topics discussed included: code of conduct, cybercom, and the Spirit Squad spoke about upcoming events. Those included pumpkin carving, Banghra dancing and the Hallowe'en Dance on Friday. This week each student is participating in 2 Banghra dancing classes.

Vice Principal's Report: Jason Hewlett

- On November 10 there will be a Remembrance Day Assembly.
- Friday Dec. 3 is going to be the first "I Day" of the year. They are 3 days designed to allow students who have fallen behind to catch up on their work. Parents will receive a written notice that a student must attend that day. If not, the students are to stay home and treat it as a professional day. It was decided to put one of the three days earlier this year to help students sooner. The other 2 days will remain at the end of the year.
- Dec. 10: first formal report cards come out.

Parent Ed:

- Hillcrest is included geographically into the Hilltop Group, with Charles Best as the centre (highschool to which most of the kids will end up at).
- The purpose of parent ed. is to discuss things happening in our area that may affect our school positively or negatively.
- We can also use it to arrange any guest speakers, etc. that might appeal to other schools in our group, and share the costs.
- Angela Pesa thought she might be able to do this position. I don't remember us voting on it though--- I think it was more of a tentative "maybe I can do it," Kim Ryan and I (Barb Tetu) said that we could be alternates. Essentially we concluded that between a few of us we could each go to one of the 3 meetings so it wouldn't become overwhelming. If this is not right someone can correct me please. We will still have to vote someone in though.
- Rob said he would notify us of the next Parent Ed meeting.

DPAC: Paula Solk

- Paula asked when the next meeting would be. Rob will notify her.

Treasure's Report: Sabrina Chang

- Sabrina showed us her new budget. Thanks so much! You did a fabulous job!!! I'm sure everyone agrees.
- She has changed the Casino bank account to one that has less charges and even managed to get some money refunded.
- We accepted the teacher's "wish list".
- There are 3 bank accounts: School, General and Gaming, and they should cover everything as the revenues from our fundraisers throughout the year continue to come in.
- We voted and accepted Sabrina's budget .

Fundraising Report: Catherine Hubbs

- So far more than \$1600 has been raised from the Magazines. Although it is a year long event, she wanted a 2 week push to get money coming in and give the kids a goal. Many were very prompt in specifying which prize they wanted.
- We discussed 3 new ideas: PURDY'S at Easter. Projected revenue-\$600; YOGA lessons 2/week for 4 weeks. Projected revenue-\$200; TAI KWON DO lessons 1/week for 4 weeks. Projected revenue-\$200. Times to be announced.
- Silent Auction: There is a very easy option for us to use a site that charges only \$32 for 200 items, each to be displayed in a photo with a link to the donating company. It is great advertising for them. She wants to run it in the spring, which would give us time to solicit donations.
- SCHOLASTIC is also a great possibility. There are certain months that are "Bonus" months that would get us extra points (translates into extra books for us). We should

hold it on a day when lots of parents will be in the school. The next day that does that would be Student Lead Conferences on February 17, 2011.

New Business:

- Barb mentioned that having to do many assignments on the computer is hard to do while maintaining quality because so much time is used up trying to learn the software before even getting to the content of the assignment. Is there any school tutorial pages we can go to to learn? Rob suggested talking to the teachers or visiting their websites as many offer help.
- Chuck suggested we get labels to put on all the PAC supplied items (like computers) so that visitors understand how much the PAC does for the school in the way of the fundraising that is required to pay for all this stuff.

Motion to adjourn. Accepted. Next meeting will be Tuesday November 30, 2010 .

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