

**Minnehada PAC Meeting
October 21, 2019
School Library**

Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm by Michelle Lahti (chair)

- Welcome and introductions. Apologies from Sabrina, Andrea, Crystal, Stacey. Attendance sheet was passed around (see attached sheet).
- Adopt the September Agenda – Shannon and seconded by Mary. All in favor.
- Adopt the Sept minutes – Shannon and seconded by Mary. All in favor.

REPORTS:

Principal's Report: Pam Becker

Pam discussed last month:

- Each team takes on an assembly based on core values. Oct assembly was on perseverance and was planned by the Eagles Gr 8 team. Using Terry Fox as inspiration. Video of what Terry Fox means to you etc. Surpassed their fundraising goal.
- Last minute opportunity to get Ian Tyson in as a speaker. It was an inspirational and funny talk that resonated with all ages. Message about positive memories and contributions to the culture of the school etc.
- Upcoming: Thurs team assembly is on the theme of safety and respect.
- Halloween dance in the afternoon. 60-90 minutes. Teachers choose the music, but kids can request songs. "We Scare Hunger" food drive by leadership team. Raise money or food for the foodbank.
- Remembrance Day assembly on the 8th. One of the teams is planning that too.
- Pam, Sandi, and Phil Hughes who are part of "Team 2020" (team in charge of the new school transition) got to go into the new school on Friday. Saw all the new spaces and say it is moving fast. Upstairs more finished than downstairs. Some painting already done. Hope to get other staff in soon to have a look around. Quite different to have lots of common space. Loads of breakout common areas which pulls people into the centre of the school. Classes built around the outside can spill into the central common areas. Similar downstairs. Feels very open and inviting. Some outdoor spaces – balcony etc. Opportunity for double classrooms. Gym is amazing and huge. Multi purpose room is much bigger than expected. Music room has a stage, which is unusual but very welcome. Foods room cabinet finishes are also white boards for writing out recipes, etc. Very innovative ideas.
- Q about traffic flow – roundabout drop off area planned where current school is. Hopefully building will come down very fast.
- Staff want to involve students in new school. Mr Hughes put announcement out to get Gr 8s involved. They can contribute what they want to see in the new school. Also recess and lunchtime format. Good to see their involvement. Still hoping to get in over the spring.

Treasurer: Stacy Gokool

- Gabi and Michelle L helped Stacey to get the treasurer's report ready for tonight's vote.
- Stacey's numbers were correct but the excel spreadsheet needed updating.
- Discovered we forgot to pay the BCCPAC. This \$75 fee has been paid for the coming year. Andrea is going to do some research to see what exactly we get for our membership and report back.

Budget

- Budget 2019/20 – see attached sheet.
- Total budget for the year is \$3,375.
- Pam looked into bike locks and confirmed there will definitely be some sort of designated bike storage space in new school.
- At the team leader meeting they came up with ideas for new school. 4 square courts and 9 square courts (like 4 square in the air!) and sort of like volleyball/dodgeball. Also interested in outdoor ping pong. PAC confirmed this is something they are very keen to support. The most expensive aspect of a 9 square court would probably be the safety /groundcover aspect. That could possibly come out of gaming funds.
- Author visits – could also be something related to literacy. Could be used to pay for motivational speakers. Pam will find out about author's and will discuss what else they could use it for. Two Art Start performances already booked.
- Grade 8 leaving is usually run by gr 7 parents so that gr 8 parents can enjoy it. Need groups for decoration and food which is typically potluck. Pay for water, plates, napkins, utensils, decorations, etc. Hopefully this will take place in the new school.
- With leftovers from gaming from last year there is room in the budget to fund something community based that benefits the whole school.

Motion to approve the budget - Michelle, 2nd Shannon. All in favour.

Treasurers report

- Need to check the balance of parent donations to PAC last year.
- Classroom funding can be spent however teachers like with Pam's ok. \$100 per division. One per division, not per teacher.
- Breakdown of treat days attached.
- Popcorn won't be done again – not profitable enough.
- TCBY – they bring everything and require no input from PAC. Very easy and profitable.
- Pizza #2 not successful – we had loads more pizza than required, but this was because it was on an adjusted lunch schedule that we didn't know about. Hence v small profit. Had loads of leftover pizza.
- Dilly bars very easy \$492.06 profit!
- Pizza question from Pam – would parents be willing to come in the morning and get toonies and give out tix for payment. Lotto tix perhaps. Then you know how to estimate amounts. Diff colours for diff pizza perhaps. Talk to teachers and see how that would work. Perhaps Pam and Sandi go with parents. Get leadership kids involved. This would help eliminate some of the guesswork with ordering the pizzas.
- Date for next pizza Fri Nov 15th. Pam will confirm with Shannon when the best time to come in would be after discussing with staff at the next staff meeting.
- Freezies easy money.
- Total treat day profit for the year was \$1,879.07.
- Shannon, Kâren, and Val happy to do Dilly bars again this year. Not the same kitchen space but there is a little kitchen in the new school in the flex space. Not sure how to store large frozen amounts. Offer to pre-pay DQ and offer to pick up closer to the date so less storage.
- Gaming account: see attached.

Motion to approve treasurer's report - Shannon and 2nd by Michelle. All in favour.

DPAC – Andrea Howorth

Next meeting Oct 30th.

Andrea is going to do some research into what we gain from being members of the BCCPAC which is the provincial PAC that DPAC is part of. Annual fee is \$75.

Fundraising, Hot Lunches, and Treat Days: Crystal Scarfo-Harris and Andrea Howorth

- First pizza profit \$314.98. Sold approx. 52 pizzas. Worth it if advertised in advance.
- TCBY coming Oct 24th – adjusted lunch schedule so Michelle will call and amend arrival time.
- Fri Nov 15th – next pizza day. Will try the new ticket system to see if that streamlines the process.
- Purdys update. This fundraiser earns 25% profit. Will go out in the next two weeks. Min order has gone up to 5,000. Can be a struggle to get the min orders. Therefore, Andrea will send out a little earlier this year.
- Shannon, Kâren, and Val will do Dilly bars again this year.
- Horse club is doing Neufeld so we will leave it.
- Discuss having TCBY every second month as they are so easy.
- Food trucks – worry about them being really slow and a limited profit margin. Possibly slurpee truck which was easy and fast. Need to research what they offer.

Teachers Wish list

Agreed to table till we're in the new school. Some ideas such as outside play spaces (9 square, etc) coming from the staff.

New Business:

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Shannon and 2nd by Kâren. All in favor.

The next meeting will be on Monday Nov 18th at 6:30 in the school library.