

**Minnehada PAC Meeting  
November 19, 2018  
School Library**

Meeting called to order at 6:42 pm by Michelle Lahti (chair)

- Welcome and introductions. Attendance sheet was passed around (see attached sheet)
- Adopt the November Agenda – Gabi Green and seconded by Mary Peterson. All in favor.
- Adopt the October minutes – Andrea Howorth and seconded by Sabrina McEachren. All in favor.

**REPORTS:**

**Principal's Report: Susan Ross**

- Report Cards coming out Dec 19<sup>th</sup> and will have a different format this time around. Eventually we will start to see more reporting online thru a parent portal.
- Late start/collaboration dates are working well. All teachers are present and the benefits from this time are great
- Inclusive model teacher – one teacher per team available each day to assist
- Teachers are writing IEP for students on their team. Parents are to communicate with the teacher as that is the person who knows the child the best and spends most of the day with
- Hawks and Coyotes are having blended Math classes and this is working well
- Each team will host an assembly this year. Gives ownership to the students and their peers have been very receptive and respectful. Sept the Eagles hosted an assembly on perseverance. In November the Hawks hosted an assembly on safety and social media. February will be the Coyotes on kindness.
- Students are participating on an inquiry project on "fake news" in the learning commons
- Working on having the schools on the Northside share resources and information and working together
- Working on cross-pollinating teachers between the elementary/middle and high schools. Allows teachers to visit lower levels of learning to know what to expect when students arrive at their school or allows teachers to visit a higher level of learning to help bridge the gap when the students move on.
- Registration for the winter session of after school programs opens on Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. The fall sessions were successful. Info for Spring Break and Summer Camps will be available in the New Year.
- Jill McLean has joined the Bears team as a 6/7 teacher. Welcome Jill!
- Questions/Comments for Susan:
  - 3 way conferences didn't seem to work the way they should in all the classes. Some parents didn't abide by the time they were allocated and the classrooms at times were too busy to have a conversation with the teacher. Should only be four families in the classrooms at a time allowing the teachers to visit with all the families in a semi private manner. Susan will bring this up with the teachers.
  - The calendar isn't up to date with the pro days... some confusion around when ours were. There is a school based pro day on Jan 28<sup>th</sup> and one on May 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - Do all the teacher's know the dates and happenings at the school and is it being conveyed to the students as some parents are still not knowing what is happening at the school. Contact class teacher if you are unsure. Ask child if info is being written down/taken a picture of etc. PAC adds info to the school Facebook page of upcoming events and info. If you haven't joined the Facebook page ask to be invited. Have your child listen to the announcements.

**Vice Principal's Report: Sandi Lauzon (absent)**

**At this point in the meeting Nancy had to leave. Notes were taken by Michelle Lahti. Thank you Michelle!**

**Treasurer: Stacy Gookool**

- See attached sheet for breakdown of general and gaming funds.
- Motion to adopt treasurer's report. Gabi and Mary seconded the motion. All in favour

**Fundraising: Andrea Howorth**

- Order forms and info has gone out for the Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser. Online orders only. Deadline Nov 28<sup>th</sup>.

**DPAC: Andrea Howorth**

- Andrea didn't attend the Oct meeting.
- There isn't a meeting in December.

**General Business:**

- Hot Lunch coordinator position open if anyone is interested
- Susan will add a PAC information section to the newsletters when she sends them out and has added the minutes from the meetings to the website. Nancy to forward.
- Stacey will create a PAC newsletter to send out to families via Susan.
- Check the Minnehada Facebook page for announcements and updates.
- Teacher's Wish List can be looked at once we have made budget
- MPAC meets the third Monday of most months at 6:30pm in the school library

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Gabi and seconded by Mary. All in favor.

**The next PAC meeting will be on Monday January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 6:30pm in the school library.**