

**Mountain Meadows Elementary
Parent Advisory Committee**

November 22, 2018 at 7:00 pm

MEETING MINUTES



PAC EXECUTIVE:

President:	Shannon Durrant
Vice President:	Ellie Hutton
Secretary:	Aman Sangha
Treasurer:	Gabriella Trochan
DPAC:	Paul Caldwell

1. INTRODUCTIONS / ATTENDANCE

- PAC Executive members, Principal Heather Birnie, Lana Pogue, Heather Thomson, Zoe Furby, Jen Mackie

2. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 18, 2018 MINUTES

- Request made to have attendance list attached digitally to the minutes
- Voted and Passed

3. PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

- Finished Foundation Skills Assessment and will receive results next week
- Staff working on new curriculum and reporting; it's a move away from content and looking more at the process; students' focus will be on core competency skills (i.e. think critically, communicate well, solve problems, get along well with others) and assessment will be on how child works through core competencies
- Every student also assesses him/herself; giving them ownership over their learning; children will work with their teachers and develop a personal, shared goal
- Working on getting more technology; tech tubs are currently in both Grade 3 classes and K classes. Aiming to get a podcaster also to create slideshows of children each month

- Afterschool programs/clubs – how would Heather B like to receive suggestions for afterschool programs? Heather is happy to receive recommendations on an ongoing basis. Port Moody has come to meet with Heather on offerings.
- Heather will look into Odyssey of the Mind with Carla, geared towards older kids who are selected for the program. Could it be offered as an afterschool program and activity based, and open to more children? Another option put forward regarding BizKids, an entrepreneurial program. Email sent to Heather on this program.

4. BUDGET REPORT – Gabriella Trochan

General account: \$3900

Casino account: \$3700

PAC Hot Lunch: not yet counted

Smile Thrifty Card: \$296

Mabels Labels: \$100

Scholastic Book Fair: \$500

- Past funding opportunities included the lion dance, art starts
- Heather to bring a list of activities to request funding from PAC

MOTION: Jen motioned to fund the lion dance for \$308

SECOND: Zoe

VOTE: PASSED

5. UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS & EVENTS

PLAYGROUND - Zoe Furby is eligible for a number of grants through her employer; to be used/locked in for playground improvements; funds will go to SD43; Ellie now has a list of interested committee members and will organize next steps

HOLIDAY MARKET - \$285 plus \$500 by PAC; lots of gifts coming in; School caretaker will set up the tables in the gym on Dec 4; Heather Robbins is taking care of cashier duties. There are a few high value donations received from companies that would not be suitable for holiday market and some perishable items. These items will be raffled at upcoming school events (i.e. Christmas concert, Just Dance)

STAFF APPRECIATION – thank you to all the parent who donated through Munch-a-Lunch to cover staff appreciation events in fall and winter.

MOVIE NIGHT – Next event is on January 11, 2019

GRADE 5 COMMITTEE – **Motion** received from Jen to fund Grade 5 Committee \$500 for festivities being planned for June 2019

SECOND: Zoe

VOTE: Passed

6. OTHER ITEMS

- Class Liaisons have been sorted out; there is now one for each division
- Teacher contracts are up in 2019 – no updates available
- Emergency Bunker – need an update

Newsletter – reminder for November 28th deadline

NEXT MEETING: January 17, 2019

MOTION TO CLOSE MEETING: Jen

SECOND: Heather T

MEETING CLOSED