Mountain Meadows Elementary

PAC Meeting Minutes

Monday April 10, 2017

**Attendance**: Kate McMeiken, Robin Funk, Terai Hicik, Gabriela Trochan, Paul Caldwell, Billy Niven, Zoe Furby, Jen Mackie, Justina Halmrast and a welcome to Naomi, a new parent to our school.

**Recorder**: Justina

1. **Approval of Previous meeting minutes from Feb 20/17** - Paul motioned, Zoe seconded, passed.

2. **Principal’s Report**:

* Work is ongoing in regards to the Supreme court ruling. Waiting on news about numbers and space. Arrangements being made at the district and school level. We are very likely to increase our size by one division.
* Email will be going out soon to parents about classes for next year, looking for feedback.
* Increase in demand for Teachers on Call, interviews happening now.
* Planters for the front of the school have arrived after a 18 month wait. They will be split between teachers to be shared. Each one will have a different theme/idea.
* New for this year will be a student self-assessment at the end of the year that will go home with students report cards.
* Environmental theme for April with a presentation at the monthly assembly.
* Como Lake relay on Apr 20 and Track Attack following after.
* Thank you to the PAC for helping to fund the Tribal Dance presentation.
* Spring flowers for display.

3. **DPAC**:

* Explanation of the Student learning grant (a part of the ruling), Split between curriculum, technology and school. It’s about $500K, a third of which will be split between the schools and is separate from any other funding.
* There will be upcoming DPAC elections and an AGM.
* Another school is doing a lunchtime fundraising program with a company called Excel Martial Arts.

4. **Newletter:**

* Cut off is April 12 for submissions and next issue is due out on April 19.

5. **Upcoming/Ongoing Fundraiser Updates:**

* Hot Lunch - May 12 and June 16
* Movie night - next one will be held on Fri May 5
* Last movie night was well attended, the wasteless concession went well and approx. $500 raised. A donation box was also set out for the FM systems donations.
* Jog a long: coming along in spite of the nasty weather conditions. Jen Abels needs a 2nd volunteer to help run things.
* Just Dance: planned for Friday April 28!
* **Monies raised from Just Dance will go towards the Sport Court conversion into the Community Garden.**
  + My Class Needs : <https://myclassneeds.ca/en/project/10470/>
* Preparations going well, posters up and emails have been sent out to parents.
* Baskets and donations are coming along, concessions being planned
* Angela will be this year’s DJ and Sam from Port Moody park and Rec will help do the set- up with the lights and sound etc.
* How many colours of basket raffle tickets was discussed and it was decided that there should be 2 colours, one for the kid baskets and one for the adult baskets.
* A note will be sent out along with Kate’s regular email to all the parents.
* Gabriela can help sell tickets in the mornings before school.
* Spring Flower fundraising: Terai and Angela will be in charge of this fundraiser.
* Discussion around what should be the delivery date….the friday before Mother’s Day or June? May 29?
* Samples will be on display at the school before then.
* Info will be sent out to teachers as well.
* Money raised from this fundraiser will go into General funds.
* Cobs’s Bread: Mention MME at their Suter Brook location and the school will receive 5% back.
* Mabels’ labels and Spud.ca fundraisers are ongoing.

6. **Emergency Bunker:**

* We are still in need of a bike
* All the food has been swapped out
* Peter is working on bringing in new water supplies….expired water will be still be used for hand washing etc.

7. **Budget Report:**

* Please see budget sheet for all the details
* Thrifty Foods fundraiser is still bringing in a good amount, approx. $362/4 months. We could still see another $270 or so by the end of the school year.
* The sushi based hot lunch brought in approx. $200 profit! But generally, hot dogs and pizza still sell the best.

8. **Traffic Report:**

* Update from Billy…..still working on getting the speed reader, hoping it will come around the end of April ( as per an email that Kate received)?
* We still would like to do the coffee cards hand out
* Port Moody Police presence is ongoing and is much welcomed!
* Reminder to all….please use the crosswalk! Don’t jaywalk!

9. **Grade 5 Grad**:

* Any new to the school grade 5’s? Please email Angela.
* Pub night fundraiser coming up on May 3 at the Burrard Public House.
* For tickets, please see Mrs Polland. They are $25 each and include a beverage and a burger with approx. $10 in profit coming back to us.
* We will also have a 50/50 draw and a toonie toss.
* Another bottle drive to be held in May.

10. **New Business:**

* An after school program liaison is still needed and so far no one has volunteered.
* Kindergarten Meet and greet is coming up on May 24 from 6-7pm. PAC info will be put out for new to the school parents to have a look at.
* Discussion around the possibility of corporate sponsorships. Any donations over $25 would get an income tax receipt. All donations would get some kind of recognition.
* Which companies would be appropriate?
* Next Staff Appreciation event will be May 1 in which a hot lunch will be provided to teachers.

Next PAC meeting scheduled for Monday May 15 at 7pm.

Perhaps a paper notice will be sent out as a reminder and encouragement about voting for next year’s PAC at the June 12.