

LPAC Meeting

Wednesday June 3, 2009

Introductions: Kathie Metzner, Jennifer Henderson, Stephany Herzog, Pam Fletcher, Deidre Pattenden, Wendy Caldarone, Tricia Fung, Leanne Carder, Christine Knoll, Kim Egli, Barb Mulligan, Jody Ewart, Tam Shepert, Janet Kampf, Tracy McRitchie, Ivano Cecchini, Chris Towers

Approval of minutes: approved by Jody, 2nd by Pam, all in favour

Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

Proposed budget for 2009 / 2010 - is in the draft stage and will be voted on in September
Have added Contingency Fund - money we are trying to set aside for the playground, or other large spending priority.

We switched banks this year and that is why we had more bank charges than normal - start up costs for cheques and night deposit privileges. Bank charges should be lower next year.

Green committee fund has been set aside for handprint project & plants - Barb M has said that the concrete may be able to be donated, will speak to Scott about this.

Expense in the budget for Saleema Noon. She generally comes every 2nd year. Last year she did a parent's session in the evening and the sessions for the kids during the day. Last year it was suggested that a signed permission slip from parents be required. Ivano will need to check with teachers to see if they want to go forward with this. We should be contacting her shortly to see if she is even available.

Teachers' Wish List has been renamed School Support Fund for next year. At their June staff meeting a list was compiled totaling approximately \$4100. PAC has asked teachers to prioritize the list. Budget has been increased from \$1500 to \$2500 for 2009/10.

Principal's Report

Carnival was outstanding. Thanks to all involved.

Track Meet & Activity Day went well.

Will be putting together another clothing order for the Fall.

SPC has set a writing Goal again for next year. Code of Conduct has become more formalized - outlines what we do as a school. Have put together our new school expectations. It is displayed in all classrooms. Had the grade 5's involved in helping to teach the younger kids.

Parent Appreciation Tea: tomorrow 2pm.

Jan's retirement - June 11th - thanks to all parents involved in putting this together.

Talent Show - June 23rd: 1 - 3pm

Final Assembly on Wed June 24th: 10:45 - noon. Afterwards parents are free to take kids home. There will be a movie for the kids who are here until the end of the day.

Plans for September. Theme is going to be the Olympics. Idea is to have a torch run with other

schools, including Minnekada. This will involve all the feeder schools to Minnekada. Sept 11th. Each school will have the color of one of the Olympic rings. We will also have an Olympic speaker. Parent volunteers will be very important for this event. Grade 5s will run, the rest of the kids will walk to Minnekada.

Big thank you to the PAC executive for all the work and involvement.

Updates:

Motion to approve spending \$2700 on 30 new computer monitors (50% matching with the district). Motion to spend the \$2700 made by Christine, Deidre 2nd, all in favour. None opposed.

Portable Air Conditioner:

Ivano had reflective film put on the windows and it has made a considerable difference - Mrs Goodie's room is now one of the coolest in the school. Now that we know the difference it makes, we can try to budget to get all the rest of the classrooms done. Not going to pursue the air conditioner. This was paid from the district budget, but any further would need to be paid from the school budget.

School Website:

Conversion will happen over the summer - probably end of September, beginning of October for the new site to be active.

Campbells labels for Education:

We had more points than we originally thought. School will be able to purchase a digital camera with the points collected.

Fruit & Veggie Program:

No further news. We are set to go until January, after that we don't know.

Emergency Preparedness:

Lori will be stepping down after this year. She is happy to work with new coordinator to transition this role. She has spent approximately \$600 on supplies this year, \$500 should be coming back from the district. Ivano will look into this. Lori is going to purchase more flashlights this month at a cost of approx. \$200.

Grade 5 Leaving Committee:

DVD and Yearbook almost complete. SFU day scheduled for June 18. Yearbooks will be handed out June 19 and students will be given time in class to collect autographs.

Green Committee:

Nothing to report.

Hot Lunch:

1 more left – Pizza Day.

Movie Night:

For September's movie: ideas are Night at the Museum or Monsters versus Aliens. Parents seem to be leaning towards Monsters vs Aliens. Marilyn Patterson (who is a realtor) has mentioned that she would consider being a sponsor for this event. Janet is still looking at the City to help with the event, and will continue to work on this over the summer. She would also like to approach Tim Hortons, Coopers etc. Craig Hodge will be talking to Wesbuild about the possibility of their involvement with the event.

Carnival:

Big thank you to all the people involved - to the students, past students, parents, families, teachers and staff. Thank you letters going out to sponsors, donors etc. Revenues just over \$13,000. Expenses still coming in. Profit will be around \$8,000. Meeting June 15th at 7pm to debriefing and come up with recommendations for next year. \$35 donation to Coquitlam Firefighters for the use of the BBQ grill. Mrs Hodges class will get pizza lunch on June 12th for having the most volunteers. Thank you for the grade 5's on the same day.

Minnekhada Liason:

Enrolment numbers are down for next year. Loosing around 3 teachers. Will also be losing an Exploration Program. This will be announced near the end of this week. They are also finding a loss in International students. Principal will be leaving in February 2010. Replacement is Abby Sew - she is at Banting right now. There is going to be a weekly "Coffee with the Principal" starting next year so people can gather and talk about what's going on in the school.

Retirement Tea for Jan Smith:

DVD is almost done - it's about 1hr 15 minutes. Barb Mulligan will purchase PAC gift. Parents are encouraged to respond to Linda Sisson's form.

Plant Sale:

Went great, made a little more money than last year.

Parent Ed Workshop:

Parenting in the Cyberage was great. PAC should contact other schools in the area next year to discuss the possibility of jointly sponsoring some parent ed events for next year. Great way to cut/share costs.

PNE Play Passes:

School has a code which can be used to purchase discount play tickets - see hard copy of PAC newsletter for website. Notice will also go home with the report cards.

Elections Revisted:

Members at Large (4): will be elected in September

SPC: all current members have offered to let their names stand for next year. Carol Wilson, Tam Shepert and Jen Smith. One must be on the executive. All in favour.

Parent Ed Coordinator:

DPAC Rep:

Emergency Prep:

Hot Lunch Coordinators: GinaYoung, Carol Goddart, Barb Mulligan

Fund-Raising Coordinator: Janet Kampf

Carnival Chair: Kim Egli

PAC Co-Chairs: Kim Egli & Tam Shepert

Vice Chair: Tricia Fung

New Business:

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: going to do a snack day instead on Tuesday June 23rd,

organized through the PAC members in attendance tonight.

2008/09 PAC wrap up event: Thursday June 11th 8pm at Dewey's Pub – all welcome.

Purchase of Netbook/Laptop for PAC use:

Netbook is around \$370, like a laptop but without a disk drive. Defer this discussion until September.

September Meeting Date:

1st Meeting: tentatively set for Monday September 14th 7pm

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 by Barb Mulligan. All in favour.