

May 4 2010 LPAC Meeting

Introduction: Tricia Fung, Ivano Cecchini, Kim Lauridsen, Kim Egli, Christine Knoll, Jody Ewart, Janet Kampf, Laura Cain, Pam Fletcher, Tracy McRitchie

Approval or April 7th minutes: by Jody, 2nd by Pam, all in favour

Elections:

PAC Chair: Kim Egli has offered to let her name stand

Vice Chair: Tricia Fung willing to let her name stand but would like to leave the option open until September in case someone new would like to get involved

SPC: this needs to be voted on. Tracy McRitchie, Laura Cain and Janet Kampf have been voted onto SPC.

Treasurer: Jody Ewart has offered to let her name stand.

Secretary: Tracy McRitchie has offered to let her name stand.

Fundraising co-ordinator: Janet Kampf will to let her name stand.

DPAC co-ordinator: wait for September

Parent Education co-ordinator: wait for September

Minnekahada Liaison: Kim Lauridsen has offered to take on this position.

Traffic and Safety: wait for September

To keep our grants we need to have a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary in place so we are covered now for applying for next year's grants.

Members at large positions will be voted on in September to allow parents that are new to the school to become involved

Reports

Treasures Report: Jody and Kim went through the budget, going to keep it the same as last year, except for removing the profit for mom & son and Snowflake Ball - goes to charity.

Ivano has requested that \$400 be added to the budget to fund the pancake breakfast. In past has come out of the Principal's fund but \$ is too tight for next year.

Principals Report:

- Thanks to PAC for all the hard work throughout the year.
- TOC who was charged by the RCMP taught at Leigh from **May 2 - 4 2007**. No other details available. If parents are concerned or want more info, please go to the RCMP. The man worked in 41 of the schools in our district.
- Grade wide write happening this week. Students did writing at the beginning of the year and it was assessed. Throughout the year they have been working to improve and now this week they are being re-assessed. This process helps the teachers to do better in their classrooms. They can also look at individual students and develop strategies on an individual basis.
- Egg Drop: 2 groups - challenge kids and the open division. They design their own contraption to catch eggs - May 28th - Ivano will drop eggs off the roof. There will be prizes. Handout will go home about this for kids who want to get involved.
- There will be 13 divisions next year so far. Hoping staffing will not be affected by cutbacks. The supply budget will surely be affected by the cutbacks.
- Cards by Me: theme for beginning of year activities will be Social Responsibility. Have put this on the schedule and need a teacher to sign up to take it on.
- Drama program going right now during class time - in place of the hip hop we did last year.

Emergency Prep: Laura Cain staying on for next year. Ivano would like to come up with a more permanent place to store the Emergency Kits because the open classroom is going to get used. The water will need to be replaced this year. The notice in Sept should include a call for Canadian Tire Money to help purchase crank flashlights/radios.

Grade 5 leaving: tentative date for hand prints is May 17th. We have a parent who has offered to oversee the project and another who is looking into purchasing the concrete for us. Tricia mentioned that the area where the concrete now is a tripping hazard. It needs pea gravel for drainage or treated wood put there to fill the gaps that are a hazard. Jody mentioned that Gary Mulligan works at the gravel pits and should be asked about this. Wed June 16th is the SFU fun

day for the grade 5's.

Hot Lunch: we need one more person for next year to help this committee. Stephanie Thompson has come forward to help Laura, but they need one more. Ivano will have the schedule before the end of the year so Laura can plan the hot lunch days for next year.

Minnekhada Liason: nothing to report at this time.

Updates:

Movie Night Astro Boy: Nice little group, 20 families. It was a Hockey game night and a Jelly bean dance night so we didn't expect the turnout to be huge. Also, there was not enough notice given. The night was good none the less.

Primary Soccer: 8 teams of 6. Lots of fun. Preschool game was a highlight.

Carnival: everything going fine. We will have 1 more meeting. Watch for email. Wed May 26th. 7pm

Plant Sale: Plants here on Friday. Deposit has been made. Will know profit at next meeting.

New Business:

September Movie Night form a committee: need to send a notice home to form a committee. We are thinking perhaps Shrek or How to Train a Dragon for the movie. Janet would like to have a BBQ. Kim L will helpout with this committee. The movie night is Sept 10th.

Parks & Rec: Beyond the bell. Program here at the school. They will come back next year. Ivano looking at adding the drama program into it.

Magician: Janet is looking at a magician who goes to schools and does fund-raising shows. You pay for the fund-raising kit, then sell tickets, raffle tickets. He has a Christmas show, could do instead of the Christmas move night. Perhaps he could come to the June meeting to present.

Mom & Son night: still needs volunteers. Contact T.fung@ telus.net.

Seleema Noon: district policy that states for K-2, parents must be present at the presentation for kids to participate - this will happen on Wed June 9th after school around 3:45. Grade 3's will have a presentation just for them and the grade 4s & 5s will be together. These presentations will be during the day on June 9th. Monday June 7th at 7pm is the parent meeting - strongly advise to attend.

Communication ideas: a comment has been made that some parents are feeling left out of the

loop on the school level and the PAC level. We need to use the sandwich board more, signs etc. Perhaps classroom team leaders would help. Pam would help with the sandwich board - what's happening this week.

Green Committee: Ms. McLellan will help with the green committee. Need a parent involved. Tracy Law can get donations from the developers of plants. Want to plant the planters out front. Problem is the maintenance after all the planting is done, may have an issue with the union though. Anybody interested in taking this on for September please let us know by email. Ivano stressed it is important to start small at 3'x3' plot. Learning is the focus of this group.

Question on budget decisions about spring break - could be as early as tomorrow but could be delayed a few weeks.

Theme for Activity Day is Western. 4 teams, will find out later this week.

Motion to adjourn at 9:35 by Pam, 2nd by Jody, all in favour.

Next meeting is Wednesday June 9th at 7pm