

September 13, 2011

Leigh PAC Meeting Minutes

- **Attendance:** Michelle Tuan, Lori Daoust-Chow, Belinda Lobson, Pam Fletcher, Tracy Scribner, Chris Long, Magola Long, Carrie Smith, Jenn McCreedy, Jennifer Stephenson, Mary Smith, Laura Cain, Tricia Fung, Cara Muller, Marica Federation, Barb Wolgemuth.
- Introductions of all attending.
- **Approve minutes from June 14 meeting:** Motion to approve by Pam, 2nd by Jenn.
- **Principal's report: Ivano**
- Busy start to the year. We had to projected to have 18 new students, actually had 40 new students. Bringing the student body to 301 students
- Every class is almost full; there is one space available in grade three and two spaces for grade four and five.
- Both kindergarten classes operating at 19 students.
- Teacher job action is not a major disruption for the children.
- Teachers are not collecting forms; having to come up with strategy to deal with this, currently children are bringing forms to the office.
- Ivano is supervising children before and after school and district staff is assisting with other supervision times.
- Meet the teacher night will not be happening as part of the job action.
- Recognition assemblies will not happening.
- We will continue to recognize birthdays the first Wednesday of the month. Ivano will be organizing this.
- Ivano will continue to honour Leigh pride tickets at 12:30
- We have **severe** allergies to nuts in school. Parents are reminded not to send nuts or nut products to school.

Fundraising:

- Master D from Personal Best Martial Arts will be in the school beginning September 19, between 8:25 and 8:55 conducting classes. Currently have 8 children signed up; the maximum number of children that are able to register is 20. 100% of the \$25 fee goes towards the PAC.
- Possible suggestions for fundraising included a Zoomba class for adults that would operate similar to the martial arts program. Michelle will talk to the instructor to see what the options and costs are. There may be a challenge to find a time that will work for the gym as it is booked with other user groups.
- Halloween costume sale (would operate similar to the snowflake ball dress sale). Costumes would cost \$5 each. More info to follow.

New Business:

- If the Halloween haunted house is to continue we will need parent volunteers. The suggested date is Oct. 28. More info to follow.
- Halloween for hunger may be tied in to the Halloween costume sale or the haunted house.
- Part of the parent education room will be used as office space this year.
- **Outdoor movie night**
 - Discussion regarding options concerning the license for movies at the school, we currently do not have a license.
 - Challenges with the screen –the cost is \$542, we would need to provide our own transportation for the screen-recommended using a pickup truck, which is not available. The screen requires 4 adults to set up.
 - Due to the challenges with screen delivery and set up, in addition to the short turn around time we have decided that we will be having an indoor movie night on Sept. 30. The movie will be Gnomeo and Juliet.
 - Wesbild has agreed to donate \$1500 to help support outdoor movie night. Michelle will contact Wesbild to determine if the money can be used towards another event.
 - We need parent volunteers in order for this event to occur. Information sheets will be going home soon.
- New system for handing out sports equipment so that the children are receiving their equipment faster. There was concern last year that the children were spending too much time waiting to receive equipment.
- Discussion surrounding the snowflake ball and mom and son night. Planning will need to begin soon.
- Some parents expressed concern regarding the spider web play structure. They were feeling that it moves too much. Ivano will check to make sure that it is meeting safety requirements.

- Some parents expressed concern surrounding the lack of a gate on the Victoria St. side of the playground. Ivano has said that it hasn't been an issue, that the children are supervised while they are in the forested section of the playground. Ivano and a board member are currently in charge of recess supervision and will monitor the size of the playground to ensure student safety.
- We have \$5680 gaming funds this year
- \$1500 from gaming funds last year has been spent on fine arts and sports equipment.
- The student planning council meets 3 times during the year. 3 positions need to be filled. Voting will take place in October in order to fill the positions.
- October meeting will include a budget being tabled.
- **PAC elections:**

There are many positions to be filled-

Vice Chair: vacant

Treasurer: vacant

Minnekhada liaison: vacant

DPAC: vacant

Fundraising: vacant

Parent education: vacant

Members at large: vacant

SPC:

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Tricia, 2nd by Laura.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03.