

December 5, 2012 LPAC minutes

Meeting called to order: 7:04 p.m.

Attendance: Barb Wolgemuth, Kim Lauridsen, Kulli Yee, Deidre Pattenden, Christine Cyr, Shauna Boyd, Anthony Bischoff, Lori Daoust-Chow, Gail Mitchell, Kim Egli, Anna Lung, Christine Knoll, Remi Collins

Approval of agenda-by Deidre 2nd by Kim L

Motion to approve minutes of November 7 meeting by Kulli 2nd by Lori

Principal's report:

Report cards go home on Friday

Christmas concert –information was sent home today-one evening ticket per family

Considering a K-2 and a grade 3-5 concert next year

Reminder that there are parking regulations that need to be followed—need to be careful when picking up and dropping off as all areas are very busy.

There was discussion at the staff meeting about considering an outdoor play area rather than typical play structure—This could possibly cost around \$ 20000 with the hopes of some donations from developers. Would like to develop an outdoor play area with natural materials, logs, sandboxes. There seems to be a need to explore in the dirt; digging. Series of outdoor areas rather than a concentrated area—create outdoor circuits. Remi is discussing with others and will bring photos etc. to show PAC ideas of what other schools have done.

Kindergarten and grade 1 teachers have put together a list of resources that they are in need of and will put the list in the December newsletter— hoping for donations of lego, manipulatives for math, novels for intermediate, 2 cameras to do photo journaling, curtains for stage

Chair's report: Kim chairing- Michelle absent

Saleema Noon- happy with presentation, some parents were unhappy standing in hallway parents felt should have been in the room to hear the presentation-concern was brought up later(after the presentation)

Remi commented that it was hard to judge the number of parents that would be attending as not all returned forms.

Remi commented that he also thought there should have been more time between the presentation for parents and the presentation for the children in order to allow extra time for parents to return their forms

Movie night raised\$ 976.05 –thanks to Marica and the team of volunteers

Recycling program Aurora—a kindergarten mom is interested in spearheading a recycling program with return it depot and would be happy to organize. Return it depot will drop off bags and bins-will come and pick them up.

Remi would like to make sure everything is in place before it begins—staff are willing to look into it—would need volunteer help to make it work—where the washing would happen; bins need to be washed every day to avoid pests—need to work out logistics.

Approached by a parent that the wording be changed regarding the Snowflake ball and mom and son night-would like to be considerate of how it is worded rather than father daughter-change to snowflake ball and mom and son night change to boys night—

Discussion around that it needs to be clear that we phrase it that it is a girl and an escort or a boy or escort

Treasurer's report: Anthony

\$55000 on deposit

Approx. \$500 ahead of budget

We have added to the expenses \$ 10000 for 2 sets of 1pads and LCD projectors.

Remi has asked if he comes under budget if he can purchase iTunes cards to purchase apps. It was assumed by PAC that any remaining money be used towards supporting the technology.

Parent Communications: Kulli

Would like to post the newsletter on website and send home a notice stating the newsletter is posted rather than sending home the entire newsletter.

Remi recommended putting a QR code on the notice so parents can scan the information.

There will be hard copies at the office for those that need them.

D-PAC: Ingrid absent

Emergency Prep: Laura absent –Remi provided update

Save on foods donated 25 new backpacks to the school-kept 5 for school and the remainder to be used for emergency prep.

Hot lunch: Laura absent

Minnekhada Liaison: Deidre

Parent donation letter raised just over \$ 2900 same as previous year, approx 70 families participated out of 400

PAC president resigned Tracy McRitchie is the new president, Anthony Bischoff is the new vice chair

Budget spent quickly

The entire school is going to see the Hobbit at Meadowtown cinemas in Dec.

The members at the PAC meeting were asked to describe what the school feels, sounds and looks like.

Grade 5 leaving: Kim L

A letter was sent home asking for pictures for the DVD and hopefully all the pictures will be back by the end of January.

New Business

Discussion of Saleema Noon—only concern was lack of parent space.

Jesse Miller internet safety presentation-- will send some dates out online

Motion to adjourn by Anthony 2nd by Christine at 8:13p.m.