LPAC meeting March 6, 2013

Attendance: Barb Wolgemuth, Deidre Pattenden, Laura Cain, Ingrid Bahng, Christine Knoll, Kulli Yee, Lori Daoust-Chow, Carrie Smith, Remi Collins, Dave Cyr, Anthony Bischoff, Michelle Tuan, Chill Yin Lee

Meeting called to order at 7:03p.m.

Motion to approve agenda by Laura 2nd by Deena

Motion to approve minutes from February 2013 by Laura 2nd by Kulli

Special guest Chill- from Coquitlam Parks and Recreation works in recreation programming. He is currently in charge of the afterschool Multisports program.

Currently running a full program with 12 students and some students on a wait list

Runs various programs at other schools. Is able offer other programs for adults as well as children.

Coquitlam Parks and Rec. take care of registration etc. for the programs but they rely on the school to pass the information to parents. These programs offer exposure to city facilities.

The programs that are offered are meant to be an introduction to programs offered in the community. We can decide what programs we are interested in and get back to Chill with some ideas—able to cater to different age groups.

Michelle has some ideas—science, performing arts, cooking, bricks for kids

Remi suggested offering some programs in the arts

Would be able to utilize the multipurpose room and possibly Victoria Hall

Principal's Report: Remi Collins

May 7-Kindergarten welcome at 1:00 p.m.

May 17-Activity day---try and get leadership students from Minnekhada to help

June 19- Parent appreciation at 9:00 a.m.

June 26- Grades 3-5 will have a talent show, K-2 possibly do talent displays in their classrooms.

June 27 –leaving assembly

FSA tests- 36 students wrote out of 49 students-results were what were expected

Garbage cans still looking at options-bear proof lids too hard for younger children-

Morning meetings continuing—role plays, thanks for things students enjoy at school, reinforce positive behaviour

Discussing options for assemblies—increase in numbers of students—assemblies are too long, usually recognize between 55-60 students

One option is to have teachers recognize students in classroom and then recognize at the assembly as a group

Themes for assemblies pink shirt day, recognize larger group of kids

Discussing changing the way birthday's are recognized—instead of cake doing birthday pencils

With the school continuing to grow need to continue to work how to handle assemblies etc.

Kindergarten registration is currently at 60

ESL population growing

2 international students

Chair's Report: Michelle Tuan

Michelle has been attending Anti bullying parent education seminars offered by Red Cross—they offer parent nights with information on how to talk to your children about bullying and other issues -helps

provide parents with tools to talk to children about social responsibility –there is a charge of \$100/hour Remi suggested offering 2-90 min workshops-- Michelle will talk to them and see what the options are for the K-5 age group

Discussion around the options of putting a vinyl sign out to announce PAC meeting-it was felt that it is not needed —as parents who want to attend the board meeting will attend

Michelle priced out a new sandwich board for \$180-Laura said she may be able to make one

Munch a lunch trial ends at the end of March—beginning in September all activities will be online, for the remaining of the year will continue to be up to committee heads or approval of the PAC

Treasurer's report: Anthony Bischoff

Bank balance: \$48,500

Fundraising on target--Finances progressing as they should

Complete report attached

Parent Communication: Kulli Yee

Nothing to report

DPAC: Ingrid Bahng

Next meeting on April 3—DPAC offers a lot of parent education opportunities

Emergency Prep: Laura Cain

Thank you to Ingrid for getting 5 hard hats from Morning Star Need to find different system –the back packs are too heavy

Will evaluate in May

Recommending first aid kits should be located by the door

Minnekhada Liaison: Deidre Pattenden

The Minnekhada PAC has a catered lunch delivered to the school on a PRO-D day for teacher

appreciation

Leadership students went to Gleneagle school for kindness rocks—pink shirt day

Numbers are down for next year approx. 20 students from 480 to 460

Grade 5 leaving; Kim and Tricia absent

Taking grade 5 pictures tomorrow -- individual pictures

New Business:

Discussion around money handling protocol

Whoever is in charge of an event fills out LPAC deposit management plan

Drop box needs to be cleaned out daily

Elected members, signing authority and Christine Knoll will have access to both lock and safe

Need to add motion to agenda for next month for approval for money handling protocol

Table new business items for next month

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:37p.m. by Ingrid 2nd by Dave