

October 3, 2012

Meeting called to order 7:02 p.m.

Attendance: George Tuan, Michelle Tuan, Kulli Yee, Kim Lauridsen, Sarita Stad, Christine Knoll, Gail Mitchell, Anthony Bischoff, Lori Baker, Christine Cyr, Lori Daoust-Chow, Kelly Chow, Laura Cain, Ingrid Bahng, Belinda Lobson, Tracy DeGusseme-Matheson, Marica Federation, Carrie Smith, Tricia Fung, Barb Wolgemuth, Remi Collins

Approve minutes from Sept.5, 2012. Motion to approve by Kulli, 2nd by Christine.

Principals report: Remi Collins

The school is continuing to grow; with a few new students starting in November.

Currently have approx. 8 spots per grade with the extra staffing we were given by district. We will be getting more portables- approx. 4 more-they will go onto the other side of the fence so as not to lose any additional play space

Currently, the kindergarten children are using the fenced off playground area at recess and lunch time to familiarize themselves with boundaries; this will gradually increase as the year progresses. The kindergarten children wear pinnies to identify themselves. The hope is that by Christmas they will be able to utilize the rest of the playground.

With 350 students--will try and stagger Halloween singing performance

Christmas concert-- trying to decide how to accommodate the number of children and parents

David Pavane- Wednesday's after school—theatre performance workshop—beginning in October—information sheets sent home

District is looking at changing grad requirements—there will be a consultation meeting October 25, 2012 at 6:30-8:30 at Winslow Gym.

Recognition assembly-- trying to decide how to accommodate the number of parents and students

This will be a transition year due to the changing numbers in the school—need to start experimenting with different solutions

Old Business:

Motion to approve Leigh budget as presented put forth by Anthony 2nd by Tricia All in favour-motion passed

Discussion around age of playground if it was built 1984 or previous the district will pay for the take down otherwise we are responsible for this cost—the district does do evaluations of the playgrounds in the district regarding safety.

Motion to set a fundraising goal to rebuild the playground put forth by Anthony, 2nd by Christine. All in favour. Motion passed

Motion to commit to \$10,000 towards a technology purchase for the school put forth by Tricia 2nd by Marica. All in favour. Motion passed.

Claudia and Ingrid met with Habitat –prep for a new playground will cost approx. \$8-9000. Quote approx. \$ 60000 for a new playground

Aviva grant needs a committee –lot of competition-DPAC suggested applying to city for grants-if you bring one half the funds chances of getting grants are higher-grant deadline July 16-Need a core group of people to apply for grants

Movie license has been added to the budget. Marica will start setting up movie nights

Decision to provide free hot lunch tabled until April or May.

New business:

There was discussion whether the kindergarten students could possibly have access to the upper gravel field-The goal is for the kindergarten students to have free run of the playground by Christmas.

There was discussion regarding children's safety when they are playing in the playground along the fence bordering Apel St. –Remi is sending an email to the district to request possibly placing a gate with a latch or another solution.

Playground committee need people interested—will put a date in the PAC newsletter to set a meeting date

Update on martial arts program-- \$1100 raised

Update family photo night-- approx. \$700 raised

Update on Mom's night-good night, good feedback from vendors and people who attended--- approx. \$500 raised--Will look into different timing for next year this might encourage more to attend. Would like to recognize the hard work and planning put into this event by Michelle, Kulli and their team.

DPAC membership fees-- we will purchase this year as we have a rep --cost of \$75

Unknown deposit of \$ 119 was fundraising from lunch lady

-discussion on accountability with deposits-reminder to be accountable

Anthony would like to include a process of deposits to be included for next month's meeting –possibly have a designated spot for leaving cash

Multi sports program currently offered for children aged 7 and up. Michelle discussed with Chill, the possibility of having a separate program for different age groups to include younger children. This program will run between Oct.18 and Nov.8th

Christine has been given a free fridge from the fruit and veggie program

Motion to spend \$299 tax on the purchase a new freezer put forth by Christine 2nd by Laura. All in favour. Motion passed. Christine will arrange the purchase.

Need to dispose of the old fridge and freezer—if anyone has a pickup truck that may be able to assist in this—need to be picked up by next week

Approval for cheque procedure for hot lunch-- tabled

Treasurer's report—Anthony Bischoff

\$5592 bank balance

Anthony will be writing cheques on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's of the month.

Will write cheques and then he will bring them to the PAC meeting

Fill out cheque requisition—will create a process—need to submit a receipt

Created online banking for viewing only

DPAC: Ingrid Bahng

Report from meeting: The DPAC will try and have meetings once a month as well as have parent education opportunities

SPC should be elected on annual basis by secret ballot

Should have school mission statement and then revisit it to make decisions

Suggestion to send out committee updates prior to the PAC meeting and save discussion for meetings

Agenda-- check and see what our constitution states as far as notice for meetings

Possibly updating constitution

Keep agenda and attendance for 5 years

Keep books audited at the end of the year by parents

Parent communication coordinator: Kulli Yee

Kulli is working on coordinating emails for the school—need to consider privacy issues

Google forms on the website for parent volunteers will help to expand the email list for the school

Asked for any info. to be sent to her for the PAC newsletter—the newsletter will be done once a month

Bring Kulli information to be included in the next PAC newsletter to meeting

Pac now has an email address

PAC newsletter will be paper this month and then be electronic thereafter

Fundraising

Values books have been distributed. There will be special "turn in" days where the books can be turned in at the front of the school—Oct. 10, 12 and 16th.

The books cost \$20 not \$25 as printed on the front of the books. The larger entertainment book is also available for sale and costs \$46

Emergency prep:

Kulli contacted Poco. emergency prep coordinator Wendy Bennett who can assist with info on updating supplies. Would like to have a committee –it’s a big job. Carrie smith, Laura Cain, Belinda Lobson, Gail Mitchell volunteered

Grade 5 leaving: Kim Lauridsen

The children will try on the Hoodies tomorrow for sizes

The grade 5 “leaving day” will be held on June 21-- field trip—bowling in the morning, swimming in the afternoon-- picnic queens park

Looking at reducing the amount of garbage-- looking at recycling or send home items to be recycled- start small-- possibly beverage containers

Halloween house—discussion regarding the continuing of the haunted house—we will not be able to use the adult ed. room this year—may not continue this year

Adjournment: motion to adjourn at 9:32 p.m. by Tricia 2nd by Barb