



PAC MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 19th, 2017
École Mary Hill Elementary School

1. Call to Order at 6:35pm.

2. Opening

2.1. Welcome from the Chair, Melody McKiernan

2.2. Approval of tonight's agenda

Moved by Phelesha Van de Kuijlen

Seconded by Dimpy Bhopal

Motion Carried

2.3. Approval of June's Minutes

Approval pending until next month's meeting.

3. Guest Speaker – Brent Hampton

3.1. Brent is in the process of creating a video on healthy habits and how to help prevent the spread of germs.

3.2. The video could be used as a Physical and Health Education resource, and Michele suggested that he speak to the district Learning Resources team.

3.3. Geoffery suggested to Brent that he come up with a resource for teachers to use as a follow up lesson.

4. Reports

4.1. Principal's Report – Michele Reid

4.1.1. October 31st will be Ms. Kochen's last day at Mary Hill.

4.1.2. The new technology purchased at the end of last year has arrived. There are 40 laptop tablets and 35 iPads. A cart with 30 laptop tablets and rechargeable tubs with 5 iPads will be able to be signed out by teachers. The next Pro-D is on the new online reporting system FreshGrade, and the new technology will be very helpful.

4.1.3. The school is emphasizing the new online payment system, with hopes of being completely online by the end of the year.

4.1.4. The Emergency Preparedness container was broken into over the summer. The lock was broken, bins left open and tents and tarps stolen. Inventory needs to be done to figure out what needs to be replaced. A new lock with a welded plate will cost \$500.

4.1.5. The grade 4 FSAs will take place this year in October and will follow a different format. Half of the assessment will be done online, and questions will be based on work done in grades 1-3.

4.1.6. The Christmas concert, talent show and dance show will be going ahead this year. There will be no MaryHilla this year, but it will take place again in the fall of 2018.

4.1.7. There is a new reporting template being used this year, which will go from content driven to competency driven. Michele shared some samples with PAC members.

4.1.8. Dates to remember:

-September 21st: Pamoja fundraiser BBQ followed by Meet the Teacher night.

-September 22nd: Pro-D Day

-September 29th: Individual photos

-October 6th: Terry Fox Run

4.2. Treasurer's Report – Janine Inotai & Anasabina Dys

4.2.1. We are starting the year with approximately \$4100. After putting aside \$2000 for next year, we currently have just over \$2000.

4.2.2. We are still waiting to receive our community grant.

4.2.3. 2017/2018 Budget: With our community grant, we are hoping to raise \$13,500. The full budget will be available to view online once the draft has been finalized.

4.3. Grade 5 Committee Update – Dimpy Bhopal, Anasabina Dys & Phelesha Van de Kuijlen

4.3.1. The committee will be meeting on September 20th for the first time.

5. Unfinished Business

5.1. PAC Budget 2017/2018 Approval – Melody McKiernan & Janine Inotai

5.1.1. *Motion on the Floor to approve the 2017/2018 Budget.* **Motion Carried**

5.2. PAC Coordinators – Open positions to be filled

5.2.1. Community (Social Coordinator) – Tara with help from Claudia

5.2.2. Fundraiser and Event Coordinator – Jessica Oliviera Ellis with help from Danielle

5.3. PAC Fundraising Focus and Events – Melody McKiernan

5.3.1. Short term goals include garden improvements, arts programs and field trips. Long term goals include new technology (recently purchased) and adding equipment to the playground. More swings are a priority as there are only six at the moment.

5.3.2. The majority of the PAC's fundraising this year will come from the raffle ticket sale and monthly family movie nights.

6. New Business

6.1. PAC Chair – Update – Melody has a new job and won't be available to help out as much this year.

6.2. Family Movie Night – Friday, September 29th

6.2.1. Doors open at 6:00pm. Captain Underpants will be the movie shown.

6.2.2. Request from parents via Michele for healthier choices at the concession.

6.3. PAC Hot Lunch

6.3.1. Ordering is open, with the first lunch on September 29th. No cash or cheques accepted (online payment only). For those who don't have a credit card, it was suggested they purchase a pre-paid Visa.

6.3.2. Order deadlines will be posted on the Mary Hill parent Facebook page.

6.4. KM club Coordinator – Paula

6.5. Halloween Dance – Friday, October 27th (6:30-9:00pm)

6.5.1. Entry will be by donation. The entire family is encouraged to dress up.

6.5.2. The PAC will ask for decoration donations for the gym.

6.6. PAC Coordinators & Rep Positions

6.6.1. PAC Hot Lunch Coordinator – Tara Pelaez

6.6.2. Canadian Parents for French Rep – Sonia Gill

6.7. Yvette had a suggestion for how to promote financial literacy at school. The school would invite an employee from a local bank to come in and the students could make weekly deposits. Michele has heard of this idea before, but it is usually run as a lunch time club.

6.8. Paula had a suggestion for the PAC to help fund a presentation on sex education by Saleema Noon. She will do some research and come back with information at the next meeting.

7. Announcements

7.1. Next Meeting

7.1.1. October 17th, 2017 @ 6:30pm

8. Adjournment at 7:50pm.