

Mundy Road PAC Meeting

November 5th, 2019

Present: Jon Lundquist, Rob Wright, Serena Boivin, Una Wong, Larissa Ringham, Jenny Gasparini, Jay Hilliker, Janice Doege

Meeting called to order – 7:10

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of minutes from October 8th, 2019

Motion: Larissa Second: Una

Approve Agenda

Motion: Jenny Second: Jay

Chairperson's Report (Jon)

- Apologies for canceling the Halloween dance, Jon was over-extended with work and it was too rushed to organize. We will do a spring dance instead and Heather will run a movie night in the new year. See fundraising section for further info on the new dance date.
- Jon is unable to make the December meeting. He will need someone to chair it (or the meeting will need to be cancelled).

Principal's Report (Rob)

- Volleyball is in full swing, the kids are really enjoying it and are especially looking forward to the upcoming jamboree at Best.
- Remembrance Day assembly will be Friday at 11:00. It will be short in order to set students up for success on this somber occasion.
- Book fair will be November 25th – 27th.
- There is a new ministry order that menstrual products be supplied at all schools, free of charge regardless of gender identity. A basket of these products will be available in girls' and universal washrooms. Products have always been available, but up until now it has been something that a student would need to ask for.
- There have been some complaints about Mountain West photo company. Rob reminded parents that they need to contact the company with questions or complaints about photo editing.
- Rob has had district staff come look at the outside space at the school in regards to getting planters put in. He is currently looking at galvanized steel planters (as opposed to wood which can rot or be vandalized more easily). If this goes ahead, there would

need to be a commitment from the PAC in terms of maintenance as CUPE would not be responsible for this. A good location for the planters would need to be decided.

- Larissa has investigated some grants, particularly the “Whole Foods Kids Garden Grant”, however one stipulation is that the school must partner with a non-profit or community group. They fund up to \$2000, deadline was October 15th so this can be something to look into for next year.
- Rob shared some examples of stone benches that could be placed in the garden.
- Christmas concert is coming up and there are already many people helping out with the Christmas Market which is great.
- Coquitlam Firefighters will continue their nutrition grant this year.

Treasurer’s Report (Samantha - absent)

- Nothing to report as fundraising profits have yet to come in.

Committee Reports

Fundraising (Vacant)

- **Dance (Jon)** – Jenny suggested the possibility of a Valentine’s dance. A discussion ensued about potentially doing a baby-sitting night to allow parents to have a date night. Rob has experience with this and said it was a lot of work. Suggestion for a Spring/St. Patrick’s Day dance. Agreement to do St. Patricks’ themed dance on Friday, March 6th.
- **Fundscrip (Larissa/Serena)** – packages went on Tuesday, deadline is November 18th. We will be sending out a reminder next week and shortly before the deadline. Larissa has emailed our biggest supporter from last year however this student’s family has left Mundy Road. This individual will talk to their employer to see if they are interested in placing an order again this year. Larissa is contacting a few people who might be interested in placing large orders.
 - Rob inquired about buying \$1000 of Superstore gift cards to be reimbursed with the Christmas Market funds. All agreed this would be a good plan.
- **Purdy’s** - Una spoke with Lindsay who interested in helping out with this, but we still need someone to take the lead (in terms of dates for sending out information and for delivery).
- **Christmas Market** – Dana, Una, and Jenny met with Tamara for tips on running the market. Una is trying to get Canadian Diabetes to pick up leftover donations on December 17th. Otherwise, the market is coming along nicely but we are still in need of more donations.
- **Santa Breakfast** – we need volunteers to make pancakes. Bobbi is working on donations and we have a volunteer to be Santa. Suggestion to provide a standard breakfast to streamline the process since breakfast is free this year. Rob inquired how

donations would work. We will go over this with Bobbi to see how this would work most effectively.

Volunteer Coordinator (Jenny)

- Nothing to report

District PAC Rep (Larissa)

- There was a presentation about vaping at the last meeting, some educational initiatives will be coming out for grade 5 students. Rob echoed that the district is trying to deal with this very aggressively at the middle school level (suspensions) and that there are many different products that are small, odorless and hard to monitor (many contain THC/cannabis).
- November 27th at 7:00pm is the next DPAC meeting at 1100 Winslow Avenue. Larissa encourages any interested parents to attend.

Hot Lunch (Bobbi)

- Santa Breakfast will be uploaded to MAL soon, she will also send out an email to let parents know that the breakfast will be free of charge, but there will be a donation button. She is looking for volunteers to organize donations for oranges and coffee.

Safety Coordinator (Janice)

- We are in need of a new flag person to put flags out and take them down each day, the current arrangement is not working out. If you know of anyone, please let Janice know.

Merchandising Coordinator (Christine - absent)

- Falconwear and grad hoodies are available for ordering. The deadline is November 13th.

Emergency Preparedness (Jay)

- Rob will send home the letter about the earthquake packs shortly, Jay will begin organizing the extra earthquake packs needed for those students who do not bring them in.
 - Jay also inquired about the number of families in our community in need of extra financial assistance and suggested the possibility of buying hot lunch for these students. Rob went over the various programs at the school that help provide for these families and suggested that non-perishable items might be more useful to help out families, rather than a hot lunch.
 - Jay and Rob will have some further discussions about what needs to be done for emergency prep this year. Jay is forecasting about \$1800 of supplies needed over the next two years.

Communications Coordinator

- **Shannon McGeehan** nominated for communications coordinator by Una and seconded by Jenny, all in favour of her election.

Parent Education (vacant)

- Jon mentioned a Mental Health First Aid night at Montgomery coming up for any parents interested.
- Jenny asked about having Saleema Noon come to the school for sex education. The cost is about \$1000 and we have budgeted \$500 for parent education. There is currently no one to take this on, but Jenny will speak to the PAC at RC MacDonald who have Saleema Noon present at their school each year. Jenny will bring this information to the January meeting.

Old Business

New Business

- Fundraising events for beginning of the year will be discussed at the January meeting (Epicure, cookies, movie night, dance, spring photos).

Motion to adjourn: Janice **Second:** All **Time:** 8:57

Next Meeting: December 3rd at 7:00pm