

PAC Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2016 – 6:38 to 8:30 p.m.

Present

Chair: Erin Schneider	Fundraising & Booster Juice/Subway: Barbara Anderson
Treasurer: Linda Doove	Social/Pizza Coordinator: Crestina Amado
Health & Safety: Jen Cox	Parent Education: Christy Caza
School Planning Council: Natalie Branco	Aspenwood Principal: Sean Della Vedova
School Planning Council: Wendy Werier	Aspenwood Vice-Principal: Jason Giles
Secretary: Meagan Huculak	Grade 5 Leaving Committee: Felicia Reamsbottom

Parents/Guests: 1

Regrets

Social Media: Angela Salehi	
Booster Juice/Subway: Taruna Singh	Milk Program Coordinator: Diane MacSporran
Fruit and Veg Program: Dawn Johnson	Milk Program Coordinator: Claire Turner

Call to Order

E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. Welcome, sign in and introductions
C. Caza motioned to accept the May 10th minutes. Motion was seconded by E. Schneider

School Report

S. Della Vedova and J. Giles provided an update on what is happening at the school:

- School Planning Council - The Council got together last week and talked about the Action Plan for Learning (APL). The APL provides information and data on Aspenwood's school goal; the updated version will be posted on the school website. Another focus of the meeting was to review the tentative classroom organization for next year; discussion included a review of the class building process and how student data is monitored to ensure we can accommodate as many students as possible and meet their individual needs.
- Articulation – Eagle Mountain and other middle schools: student data has been passed over and tentative classes created. At Aspenwood we are working toward tightening up our student data (learning disabled, EAL etc.) with 2 outcomes – data by class (within class lists) and broken down lists by type (eg. EAL)
- Opening Week: K gradual entry. Other grade entry looks good, no concerns, as per previous years returning students will go to their former classrooms in September.
- Playground – S. Della Vedova has submitted a PO to the school district and we are working with Habitat Systems on the playground expansion.
- Technology :
 - iPads (primary student services and EAL): as a device to use in the primary school setting iPads are far superior to the laptops we have
 - We will also be moving forward with replacement of some teacher laptops (25% will be replaced at the district's expense)
 - BYOD: the wireless technology has also proven effective for our buddy classes (intermediate students working with primary students) on several SEL activities. Our goal this year was to stretch the learning through technology activities to our primary grades.
 - For the 2016/2017 school year, we would like to continue with our current technology momentum and use our EF time to explore the Creative Thinking Core Competency in the revised provincial curriculum at all grade levels
- Red – Thanks for everything! Mr. DV will be visiting each class over the coming days to read the story Red as a goodbye to the students of Aspenwood.

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Fundraising Update

B. Anderson provided an update on fundraising activities.

- Subway/Booster Juice brought in 6k this year
- Little Caesars Pizza brought in over 8k
- For the upcoming year we are thinking of adding Vera's burgers once a month on a Thursday.
- Milk: \$2,600 this year. Changes will be made in the upcoming year, Barb will input the orders, still need a volunteer/ recycling coordinator. Delivery days may be reduced.
- Pub night tentatively booked
- June Movie night \$700, these movie nights are great community builders, we will keep them at once per month. (tentative dates in appendix 1)
- Smile cards (Thrifty Foods) this brought in \$105 this year. May move orders to Munch a Lunch to get more traction.
- Mabel's Labels still active for this coming year.
- Need new Fundraising coordinator for the upcoming year.
- Pancake breakfast will go ahead and is tentatively booked for December 15th
- Cobbs & Return It funds still to come
- Carnival \$20,000 profit

If you are interested in volunteering, please email our [volunteer coordinator](#).

Grade 5 Leaving

- Video complete!

School Planning Council

W. Werier and N. Branco provided an update

- Moving forward into the fall, what do we want the SPC to be? More input from parents?
- Suggestion was made that SPC rep contact the DPAC to discuss the state of the SPC and say that we want to keep our SPC. Suggestion was also made to combine the roles of DPAC rep and SPC rep for next year.

Treasurer Report

L. Doove provided an update:

- Playground funds stand at \$60,000. Gaming grant in September will bump us over the total we need (\$67,000) however we may be at risk of losing our grant as we can't roll it over past 2 years. It is in our best interest to get moving on the Playground in order to use last year's grant money. As noted above S. Della Vedova has submitted a PO to the District for this work.
- Changes in staffing have delayed planning at the district level. Council and Administration are working with the District to move forward on this project.

Carnival Committee:

E. Schneider presented a slideshow presentation of the Carnival with information on contributions, outcomes and totals: To note, \$20,000 profit was seen from the carnival including \$9,000 in raffle ticket sales (up from \$6000 in raffle ticket sales at the last carnival)

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Election of Executive

Discussion was had regarding current open positions, positions with incumbents returning and changes to various roles. 11 voting members attended the meeting – all votes were unanimous.

The 2016/17 PAC Executive:

- Co-Chairs: Erin Schneider & Barb Anderson
- Secretary: Meagan Huculak
- Treasurer: Linda Doove
- School Planning Council: Natalie Branco

Additional PAC Members

- Pizza Coordinator: Crestina Amado
- Grade 5 Leaving Committee Chair: Barb Anderson
- Booster Juice and Subway Coordinator: Dawn Johnson
- Fruit and Veggie Coordinator: Dawn Johnson
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*****Vacant Positions*****

- Fundraising Coordinator
- DPAC Representative
- Health & Safety Coordinator
- Social Coordinator
- Milk Coordinator
- Social Media Coordinator
- Parent Education

Details on PAC Executive and all other positions are on the PAC website.

Q&A

Q: Trustee, what do they do? A: They are affiliated with schools, but not usually the area they live in. (elected role)
Our current trustee has visit our school several times this year.

Q: Why was there no sports day this year A: This is a teacher lead initiative and the teachers decided not to organize one this year.

Adjournment

The PAC meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

1st PAC meeting of the 2016/2017 School year is Tuesday, September 13th @ 6:30pm Free babysitting is provided.