

PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday October 26, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Welcome/Call to Order- 7:05pm: Esther- welcome everyone! So nice to be here in person and for those that could not make it thank you for being a part via zoom!

Attendance: Zoom- Steven K, Danae H, Leanne L, Maria O, Vroom

In person: Charlotte D, Esther F, Leann W, Lynnette V, Colleen B, Tawney D, Deanne Z, Jessica C, Sherisse E, Jamie K, Sarah B, Sylvia C, Kayla K

Adoption of Agenda: Jessica, Leann

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Jessica, Tawney

Principal's Report:

Growth plan – Charlotte and the staff have been working on a strategic plan for our school that coincides with the School District.

- Teaching core competencies to deliver the curriculum for example- the recent mask making, they were all so unique, there was lots of good communication between the students and lots of problem solving
- Personal and Social Competency joins what students need to thrive as individuals
- Thinking – the knowledge, skills and processes associated with intellectual development
- Communicating – having the knowledge and skills to effectively communicate with others

Coming up in November

Costume day on **Friday- 9:30 parade** -similar to the way the mask parade was done

Hike on **November 1 to Hicks Lake**. There are two levels of hikes. Parents are welcome just not allowed on the bus.

Goal is for every term try to do an outdoor school function

Remembrance Day -if the weather is ok kids will head down to the river, simple outdoor Remembrance Day service. Bring along wreaths

We will be watching a prerecorded video made from surrounding middle schools

Interim/conference will be held on **Thursday, November 4 from 2-4**. Unfortunately, will not be in person this year. Overall, how your child is doing in class. If needed you will have the option to set up a meeting with your child's teacher via zoom or a phone call.

Friday Nov 5th is early dismal - 10:55

Friday 12 is a PRO-DAY as well as Friday the 26th

Book Fair – **November 30 to December 1st**. It will be online and in library.

Christmas concert: again, unfortunately it will not in person this year. Teachers are still deciding what they'd like to do for this year's concert. Some ideas:

- Pancake breakfast & crafts
- Virtual concert
- Spring is also a good time to maybe do a little concert

Other:

Sam Piper from the city is coming tomorrow (Wednesday) at 1:00 at the school to discuss some safety issues

One book One School will be rolled out Jan-Feb sometime. Mrs. Falk has picked a Canadian author. This year is cheaper around \$700 for all the books

Thank you everyone for coming out to the Terry Fox run and all donations

Treasurer Report:

(Report posted under Files)

Three fundraisers completed:

- Meet the teacher
- Coupon books
- Neufelds Farm

Next fundraisers – Purdy's and Growing Smiles both starting **November 1**

Gaming Grant: Every year the PAC applies for this grant. The money goes towards something special for the kids. At this point we are NOT getting the \$5000 as we normally would. *Please find more information on the Gaming Grant posted in Files

Tawney: A new fundraiser we have been looking into are these Safety Reflectors. The samples we have here are similar to what we would get for the school. This we would have as an ongoing fundraiser – always available.

Wholesale they are \$2.78 per clip and can retail for 6.98

PAC would order a bunch and have them always available for purchase

Colleen – money from fundraisers come from the families at the school so can we just make a donation rather than purchase?

Charlotte – unfortunately there is no tax receipt given. Donations need to be \$25 or more and must be deposited by the school. Cheques must be written to the school not PAC. Money also has to be spent by the school not the PAC

Group comment – so many other places/schools/sports teams doing the same fundraisers.

Chair Report:

Esther and Tawney attended a PAC 101 recently and learned lots!

A bit about PAC - schools were originally run by parents

1989 PAC was included in the school act

2001 parents were allowed to be more active in the school

PAC is the legislated parent voice for the school examples:

- Concerns - ex dress code

- Communication with administration and teachers

Anytime you have questions bring it to PAC and can be added to the agenda

Emergency kits:

- Sad looking kits

- Missing multiple things

- Expired items

- Put to vote next month for upgraded these

- Get an inventory, list of requirements

- These are not a school requirement; they are something PAC provides

- Ask for donations?

Pay it forward: The Pay it Forward option on munchalunch = amazing!!! We raised enough to pay for an entire year of students that couldn't afford it. Around 45 pay it forwards

If we can extend that pay it forward maybe we can have enough for extras – spirit wear, yearbooks

Possible option to change the denominations. Maybe have three options

Hot lunch: this Friday, **October 29**

First time using this company hopefully it runs smoothly

We have enough volunteers for this day

Other:

We need help with Neufeld pick up Thursday – any volunteers??

Chief tickets – two adult tickets given in bark draws- if you can't use them pay it forward

Christmas drive – Ruth and Naomie's, food drive, coats, and blankets

Colleen - an idea to gift the teachers some water prof picnic blankets

Charlotte curious about money for teachers that PAC usually give. PAC has not given any money to teachers yet. Once we can see where our three recent fundraisers put us, we can decide on an amount to give

Adjournment: 8:02pm – Sarah and Leann

Next meeting Tuesday, November 30, 2021