

PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday November 30, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Welcome/Call to Order - 7:07pm: A quick welcome from Esther and a round of short introductions

Attendance: Danae H, Theresa B, Donna A, Nadia L, Leanne L, Shantini K, Sherisse E, Jamie K, Nicole W, Charlotte D, Leann W, Esther F

Online -zoom: Tawney, Deanne, Jessica C, Amanda W, Deanne Z, Katrina M

Adoption of Agenda: Shantini, Leann

Motion to Approve Agenda: Tawney, Shantini

Principal's Report:

Extremely impressed and so glad to be a part of this community. With what's going on these last few weeks with all the flooding everyone has come together to help each other

- Teachers are aware that kids might be feeling a little anxious with all this rain.
- We're listening to everyone's stories and trying to keep things feeling normal.
- First covid and now flooding so we're trying to have things for them to look forward to
- We're reaching out to people to see if anyone needs anything
- We have a couple of families in water and will be doing a Christmas hamper for them

Attendance:

64 kids away Monday and 44 kids away today

Flood Preparedness:

- There would be an Alert – just like a snow day alert
- Staff would call parents to pick up kids
- For those parents that can't get to the school there would be a bus to transport everyone
- Vedder Middle would be the meet up spot if we're able to get there and if not, we just need to pivot and make a plan. YCS is a very high spot, and we have a second floor!
- Staff would stay with students until they are picked up
- As a staff we are thinking about all these things. We want to be prepared

PBS This Month:

Positive Behavior System

This month is the Bear

What we're focusing on:

- I can care for myself
- I know what zone I'm in and can regulate my body
- I can be proud of my accomplishment

Bear Den (tent in the Lobby)

- Fill the tent with food canned food
- Hoping to keep it within our community
- It's not a contest
- This week is breakfast, but we will take anything
- Also taking clothing – jackets, warm blankets
- We will be selling raffle tickets for some Bear T Shirts
- That money will go towards the food bank
- Teachers will be recognizing two students a week for bear prize

Chiefs

They came out to play today and gave us 600 tickets for **Dec 18** game. So, everyone can go
Tickets will be handed out to everyone
Hockey court is always full! So great to see!

Important Date:

Dec 17: Santa and pizza

Santa will be here!

Trying to find a horse and buggy

Santa will be outside

Dec 16: Big BARKS draw

Dec 15: Crafts and Pancakes

Dec 9: Filming of the Christmas concert

Dec 9: Report cards go home

Routines and learning have been very strong even with the stress

Dec 1: Deck the Halls and PJ Day

Vaccines

- Available for ages 5-11
- Parents should know that nothing will happen unless consent is given
- So far, no clinics have been set to set up
- There is a big protocol to go through before that would happen
- Parents will be notified that its available

Question from Theresa: What's happening with busses next year?

Response from Charlotte: Nothing has been discussed for next year school. New school is set to be open

Question: Can siblings be grandfathered in?

Charlotte: Not sure at this point but can look into it

Cross walk/Parking

Charlotte is going to as Sam if we can flag the poles.

City has been slow and getting back to us right now because of flooding

DO NOT leave your car if you park in the BUS LOOP – you should not be out of your vehicle

Suggestion from Theresa – maybe we can stagger pick up times?

Response from Charlotte- we do have some parents that do come a little later and teachers are aware of that. Teachers will also be available to wait 15 min before and after school with students

Suggestion from Danae- open poplar for parking

Response: tough area to turn around (exit)

Suggestions: Walk from the library when it's not flooded!

Treasurer Report – Deanne Z

Two fundraisers this month – Growing Smiles -\$570 profit

Purdy's -\$2308 profit

Hot lunch – \$160 profit

Total Profit of \$3037 from monthly fundraisers

Year to date for fundraisers \$7125 (5 fundraisers)

Coupon Books and Neufeld Farms expenses have still not come out yet

Our projected balance is \$6386

Upcoming Expenses:

- Christmas pizza party will cost roughly \$1200
- Goodie bags – \$500 give or take
- Wining class from Purdy's fundraiser gets Cina men Buns
- \$4600 after those expenses

DPAC - Shantini

Introduction – DPAC rep. The first meeting she went to she wasn't aware to take notes

The meeting for the vaccine mandate she brought our schools vote of NO and it was presented.

The mandate was NOT discussed at all during this meeting.

Important things to note:

- Our PAC should have a Bylaw discussion
- Each PAC has individual bylaws for voting – these should be addressed
- We need to take a closer look at our Bylaws and determine:
 - Are we comfortable with them?
 - How many votes people can cast?
 - One vote per student or one vote for household?
 - What's the best way to track these votes? Examples:
 - In person votes
 - Online voting – we need a system to track
 - Have their names in the system

Some schools had their vote thrown out because they did online voting and people shared the votes in other groups, so they had way too many votes. More votes the students at the school DPAC can't mandate a voting system

Question from Sherisse – can the school board override the vote?

Response: Our vote was just a recommendation. The school board decides whether to accept the recommendation or not

President's Report - Esther:

DPAC – this past vote we were only given two days to get that voting system together

We are working to make a secure voting procedure for when this happens again

Question: Why was such a big vote given such short notice?

Response from Shantini: DPAC found out things at the School Board were moving with putting a potential mandate out. DPAC was not happy about that – our voice needs to be heard. That's why it happened so quick. They (DPAC) were unhappy with how it went out and how quick.

Also, DPAC needs to be consulted before something starts going

Suggestion from Theresa – cheap solution for voting may be a paper ballot box

Purdy's – showed up! Come get your orders

Goodie bags – to go home for the Christmas concert. We need to get to Costco for supplies

Hot chocolate etc.

Need volunteers

205 families

Watch for a sign-up sheet

Hot lunch

Apologize for hot lunch being canceled and some kids not having a lunch that day

Thank you, Katie, for making grilled cheese for those that needed a lunch

Should have a credit on munchalunch for the canceled order

Pizza Hot Lunch

\$3 a student

Each student will get an individual pizza

Teachers will take the count

We need volunteers. This event is already on the Google drive – sign-up sheet

Craft & Breakfast – Dec 15

Fun exciting event...we need lots of help!

Sign up for helping with crafts – 17 volunteers needed

One School One Book

PAC has been asked to pay for it this year

\$702 – less than \$3 a book

One book per family

*Motion to go ahead with a vote – Shantini, Danae

Vote unanimous - All in favor of paying for books

Funds for Teachers

- Every year the PAC gives teachers funds. In the past up to \$500

- This year with accounts being lower than usually we need to vote on this
- Proposed amount is \$100 this semester
- Charlotte will match that amount, so they'll get \$200

Question from Theresa: Would the teachers be asking for more in January

Response: yes, most likely

Question from Danae: What do the teachers use this money for?

Response: Stickers, art material, posters, prizes

Field trips are very class dependent

*Nadia and Leanne motion to vote

*Vote for \$100 for teachers (14 divisions) plus the PE teacher so \$1,500 total

All in favor- unanimous

Possibly Fundraisers:

Seed fundraiser for January

Jessica – reached out to them. A company from Ontario

Great for starting a garden indoor

Flower packets, salsa packets interesting little packets

Profit margins??

Need more info!

Valentine Auction

We found a free website to do a (free) auction as we can't do in person

We would need volunteers – committee

We would need local business donations

Suggestion from Shantini – a week of going around to business. Get it done!

Nadia volunteered to do the ask in the first weeks of January

But does not want to do it alone

Put this idea to rest for right now. Too much happening right now

Gaming Grant

Denied because of paperwork not being turned in

Other PACS have not got their money either so well wait and see

Other Business:

None

Motion to adjourn – Shantini and Theresa - 8:31pm

Next meeting Tuesday, January 25, 2022