

SPERLING PAC
Executive Meeting
6:30 – 8:30 PM Thursday, September 4, 2008
Minutes

In attendance

Lisa Bjornson	Kirk Rockwell	Carole Chan	Regrets
Frances Hastings	Ross Powell	Claudette Angers	Alice Yuan
Stephen Meighan	Tony Wong (minutes)	Heather Marcotte	Tammy Van Hinte
Micheline Kamber	Phyllis Watts	Bettina Charpentier	Pat Şife
Susan Todd	Sandy Lew	Wanda Pierson	

Approve June 2008 meeting minutes

- Moved, seconded, passed: Kirk Rockwell and Heather Marcotte.

Review June Financials (Sandy/Carole/Bettina)

- \$36,000 balance in the PAC account as of July 2008

Review Proposed 2008/09 Budget (Sandy/Carole/Bettina)

- We only spend money we have in the account. No counting on revenue until it is in the bank
- Aim to have minimum \$10,000 balance at end of school year to provide operating fund for next school year
- Lisa seeking someone to take over coordinating the ShopFund\$ program
- Fun Foods Program
 - Need room to store incoming food. Budget \$600 for a new fridge.
 - Need to keep PAC fridge in kitchen clear, Claudette to talk to teachers.
- Increase Teacher Appreciation budget to \$600
- Increase DPAC budget to \$70 allow for attending DPAC convention
- Can decrease babysitting to \$125 this year
- Can decrease music budget to \$500 this year
- Set Y.E.S. budget to \$0 for this year
- Increase budget for field trips. Amount?
- Check with Alice Yuan on required budget for traffic and safety
- Put outdoor classroom concept on agenda for PAC general meeting. Estimated \$8,000 for rubberized surface under play structure
- Gaming grant revenue is based on enrolment \$20/student

Traffic & Safety (Alice) <updated Sept 8 2008>

- A budget of \$100, same as last year, would be fine.
- The traffic & safety roster is under half full. We're only minimally covered on Adair for the mornings (1 person each shift when 2 are needed), none covered in the afternoons there, and barely half covered on Hycrest. We need a lot more volunteers!

District Parent Advisory Committee (Stephen/Ross)

- Ross Powell's name inadvertently shown as DPAC rep. Ross's name removed.

School Planning Committee (Wanda/J.R.)

- First meeting is next week

Parent Donation Program (Phyllis)

- Letters going home Oct 20, due back Oct 30

Fun Food Coordinator (Frances)

- Formerly the hot lunch program
- Will try Kids Eats which will deliver hot lunches with emphasis on healthy eating

Fruit & Veggie Program (Micheline)

- Fresh food and vegetables delivered every 2 weeks. Enough for 2 days supply.

Open Gym Night (Heather)

- Heather seeking parent volunteers

Volunteer Activity/Issues (Heather/Coordinators)

- Committee chairs to coordinate with Heather on volunteer needs

Principal's Report (Claudette)

- New secretary is Ms. Susie Bonvino
- 425 students: 180 English stream, 245 French immersion
- Annual challenge in meeting parent's requests for class placements for students in new school year. It's not easy meeting needs to place students to meet non-scholarly needs.
- Discussion about creating school environment where English and French stream families feel included and an equal part of Sperling school.

Open Forum

- Kirk will publish PAC newsletter on the 1st Friday of the month.
- The office will publish the school newsletter on the 3rd Thursday of the month.
- Claudette will arrange a meeting with the School District to discuss PAC and School District interests around privacy and the PAC web page.
- There is interest in speakers to talk about staying safe and private on Internet safety and interest in Barry MacDonald's Smart Boys presentation.

Sports boxes (report submitted by email)

Pat Ratcliffe has bought some sports equipment for the classrooms and once the number of classrooms are finalized Pat will go in and clean out the existing sports boxes and replenish them. Pat will do this asap so the kids have play equipment while the weather is still nice.