

**PAC Executive meeting
September 30th – 7:00pm**

In Attendance: Heather Marcotte, Sandy Lew, Claudette Angers Sawyer, Ross Powell, Tony Wong, Francis Hastings, Renee Loboza, Micheline Kamber, Rosa Delgatto, Kirby Lew, Leanne Johnson.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Mail, announcements: PAC open positions.

Special Report: *Sabrina Hunger, Librarian*

- Request for PAC funds for French book club and continuing of contribution for barcodes. PAC will consider during next meeting when budget is discussed.

Reports:

PAC Chair Report: *Heather Marcotte*

- Addressed questions concerning PAC executive positions and how to define members. Noted everyone welcome to come to all meetings, regardless if the meetings are labeled as executive.
- Motion to add coordinators to executive.
- In an effort to encourage PAC meeting attendance/participation, PAC will host at least one morning meeting before Christmas. PAC will keep evening time slot for AGM & for times when hosting speakers.
- Call for volunteers. Sperling Sprint coordinator.

Principal's Report: *Claudette Angers Sawyer*

- Smooth start to the year. Enrollment is down this year (approx 385 students this year vs. approx 430 last year). Lost a fair number of students to new Highlands Elementary school, as well as many students returning to schools near their homes because of loss of school bus service. However trend will be for enrollment/population to grow in the coming years. Also note there will be three full day kindergarten programs next year.
- School district installing a new permanent building outside near the library. Construction to begin before December 2010 and to be completed by April 2011.
- Photographer coming in two weeks. Need to decide about a new photographer for next year, as you have to book one year in advance. Will bring alternate photographer packages for discussion at next PAC meeting.
- No patrol (crosswalk) monitors outside. BCAA has withdrawn their training and the school district is trying to resolve with BCAA. Will keep us posted.
- School agenda – high cost and mixed reactions from parents in terms of value for students and their families. Will discuss use with teachers.
- Morgan Keller, Volunteered to do fundraiser.

Treasurers Report: *Sandy Lew*

- Rosa Delgatto would like to be co-treasurer to help Sandy, as Carole stepped down last year. PAC will hold elections next meeting.
- Updating required for signing authorization for PAC accounts (Gaming & Fundraising accounts). Rosa (once elected) to replace Carole for gaming account and Heather to be added to Fundraising. Heather, Sandy, Francis & Renee for Fundraising. Sandy, Heather, Leanne & Rosa (once elected) for gaming account.
- PAC members to review proposed budget and review/vote on it next meeting.
- Upcoming parent donation – notice to be sent mid October through the school.

PAC Website: *Tony Wong*

- New web registration on PAC website for school directory. Suggest prize for class with highest participation rate. Decided on pizza lunch.
- PAC will utilize school list for notices. Will use on a limited basis.
- Also updated PAC member email lists – PAC executive vs. PAC general. Agreed that only one list is required.

Fun Foods/Hot Lunch: *Francis Hastings*

- Would like to try the “Lunch Lady” for hot lunch program. It is a franchise operation to provide hot lunch program for schools. Similar set up, where school would distribute the menus and parents can even order and pay online. Plus school can elect to have a hot lunch program either weekly or monthly. Lastly we could incorporate a fundraising program where PAC would get a portion of the order value (i.e.10-15%).

Shop Fund\$: *Renee Loboazar*

- New this year, some vendors will allow GC purchase by gift card (i.e. IGA).
- Also recruited new vendors – i.e. Superstore & Safeway
- Will start Shop Fund orders in October & have also pre-selected dates throughout the year.

Walking Sidewalk/Traffic and Safety: *Kirby Lew*

- Good start to the year with a nice volunteer base to begin with.
- Would like help to bring in pylons.
- Would like to use budget dollars to buy umbrellas & rain jackets for volunteer use.

Miscellaneous Reports:

- Classroom sports equipment – may require a new volunteer, as Pat is no longer at the school.
- Outdoor classroom – Kirby feels it is not well utilized or ideally situated. However Claudette mentioned it is well used at recess by students. Claudette to approach teachers about maximizing its use.
- School sign – Ross Powell suggests that PAC purchase a school sign. He has looked at associated costs and if there is room in the budget, he would take on this project. Looking for a simple sign, at low level to eliminate need for ladders.

NO REPORTS:

Vice Chair Report - Vacant

Secretary's Report – Leanne Johnson

DPAC – Sandra Singh

SPC (School Planning Council) – Bettina Charpentier

Canadian Parents for French (CPF) – Vacant

Emergency Preparedness – Ross Powell

Fruit & Veggie Program – Micheline Kamber, to be taken over by Annette McLean and Sabrina Harding who both have to get food safe.

Fun Foods/Hot Lunch – Francis Hastings

Skating Party – Tammy Van Hinte

PAC Newsletter/Media – Vacant

Parent Handbook – Vacant

Family Open Gym Night – Vacant

Next PAC meeting will be held at 7:00pm on October 14th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.