

Minutes of Pac Executive Meeting, Thursday, September 15, 2011

In attendance:

Kevin Loken	Sue Loken	Dean Donnelly	Gail Grinstead
Dianne Ireland	Holly Chapman	Trisha Ellis	Joanne Cottrell
Kristen Gribble	Monica Baarda	Janet Lowe	Deborah Thorvaldson

1. Minutes of last PAC Executive meeting (Wed. Aug. 31st) were approved.

2. **PAC Forms:**

-a few modifications were made to the class/school form so all children in one family may be included on same form

-new form was approved

-modifications were made to the form asking for Parent Volunteers with Teacher driven events being removed as permission forms/volunteers will be asked for each event (eg. Terry Fox Run etc.)

-new form was approved

-letter introducing PAC was approved

3. Fundraising letter will go out in October. Discussion around asking for 2 separate donations: funds for base operating (\$65 up from \$50) and funds for new playground (\$200?)

4. **HOT LUNCH:**

-order form to go out Monday with online ordering available right away. Deadline is Fri. Sept. 23rd

-few new vendors this year

5. **WELCOME TEA:**

-Possible date of Thursday, Sept. 29th in library from 9-10 am. Deb to coordinate speakers from district/LST teachers and multicultural worker

6. **PAC WEBSITE:**

-Kevin took a poll to see who would be in favour of a PAC website with a link from Chantrell Creek Website

-all were in favour; Kevin to get it up and running

7. DONATED WATER:

-Trisha spoke about the Moore family requesting that the donated water be sold as a fundraiser for the school (as opposed to a strict donation). The only event directly affected by this would be the Terry Fox Run

8. PARKING:

-discussion around having a designated parking zone for Kindergarten parents wishing to park and walk child(ren) to class

-ideas of using the Walk Zone (opposite Drop Off Zone) as K designated

as well as the parking area directly in front of the K classrooms, perhaps using a card on the dashboard system

-discussion was tabled for now... good topic for General Meeting

9. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

A.-Deb reported that it has been a different start to the year with 11 new staff members, job action by teachers and increased enrollment

-supervision is being handled by Deb, district personnel and SEA's

-K's are now out at lunch and being closely supervised

-leadership team will be helping out with K's soon

B. Job Action: Deb reported that extra curricular activities will go ahead as usual (cross-country, soccer etc.)

-Terry Fox run will also go ahead but parent volunteers will be required to help count the donations (Gr. 7's will be collecting the donations)

-Fieldtrips will go ahead but again teachers cannot collect \$ so each class will have a money collection envelope

-attendance is being done as well as planning/teaching/assessing

-There will not be a Meet the Teacher Night this year (due to job action)

-teachers can meet with parents during school time only so parents will be advised to call the office to set up an appointment as Deb will need to cover the class

-School Based Team will go ahead and can meet outside of class time

-LST teachers can meet with parents outside of class time

-Deb is receiving updates regarding job action (Q & A) regularly

C. General News:

-smooth transition having portable delivered this morning. Gr. 5 class should be ready to move in next Thurs. Sept. 22nd

-Deb discussed the idea of having a school mascot (eagle) to help build school community/spirit (cost of ~\$1000)

-teachers were wishing to know if PAC would cover costs of having Robert Randal, Joanne Howard and Science in the Classroom

-discussion around how much PAC contributes for such activities

-Upcoming Events:

Sept. 22nd – Green Thumb Theatre

Sept. 23rd – Photo Day

Sept. 26th – Pro-D day

10. **OTHER:**

-children of Traffic Volunteers may go to library when parents on duty

-discussion around having 'experienced' class parents/division with a co-class parent who can translate (with the experienced person being the main contact)

-General Meeting will be likely held last week of Sept.

-question to Deb re: rainy days:

-Deb's plan is to purchase good quality games that can be played indoors on the torrential rain days; students in portable may be able to come inside the school on rainy days

-branding of coaching gear to be discussed at future meetings

-Next Executive meeting tba (possibly next week)

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am

Thanks to Kristen for the yummy blueberry cake!! 😊