

PAC MEETING MINUTES

June 15, 2011

Attendance: Christine, Shyann, Naomi, Ali, Kim, Jane and DeDe.

MOTION by Kim that the minutes from the May 18, 2011 PAC meeting be accepted as read, 2nd by Naomi. CARRIED.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

DeDe reported that the staff luncheon went well and the staff thanks PAC for hosting.

DeDe reported that year end assessments are currently being done in classes and that report cards are being written. Report cards will be handed out on June 29 to students in attendance. For those that will not be at school on that day, report cards will either be mailed out or picked up, it is still to be determined. DeDe will inform parents using Synervoice regarding this issue and the year end activities schedule.

DeDe reported that Track and Field and the Staff vs Grade 7 soccer game all were very successful.

DeDe reported that it will be Spirit Day on Friday with children being urged to wear school colors.

DeDe reported that the Welcome to Kindergarten meetings will be held June 24 at 8:45 and 10:30.

DeDe reported that at this time attendance for next year is slightly over capacity, but that many changes could occur before September.

DeDe reported that today was the last day for children to have library books out and that they must all be returned asap. She further reported that Mr. Staginnus was attending a Technology Seminar with the hope that he may integrate it into next year's library program.

DeDe reported that the Homework Club was highly successful throughout the year but was winding down now. She will organize a parent survey to see if any changes should be made for next year's session.

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DeDe reported that many classes were attending field trips between now and year end.

DeDe reported that the school band session is complete with much success and that the strings group will complete the year with a performance this Sunday.

DeDe reported that a new PA system is being installed for next school year. The new system will have phones in each classroom, enabling teachers to communicate with the office in a more efficient manner.

DeDe reported that the school supplies for next school year have arrived.

DeDe reported that the Volunteer Appreciation Assembly was very successful and anticipated that this format would continue next year. Some discussion followed regarding the fact that several parents were under the impression that the assembly was only for parents who had volunteered their time at the school, but in fact it was for all parents. It was pointed out that the invitation was issued to all parents and it would be clarified for next year.

DeDe reported that the panoramic pictures were not available this year due to the poor weather, but that a composite picture of each division would hang in the hallway.

Dede read from a memo she received from Diane Noble regarding Ms. Noble's suggestion that all clothes left in the school lost and found be assembled with those of other schools and made available for free to parents and children in need. She hopes she can organize this for the 2011/12 school year. It was agreed that this was a very good idea.

DPAC REPORT:

Shyann reported that the meeting will take place next week, therefore she had nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT (see attached report):

Kim presented her report, pointing out that many of the fundraising efforts of PAC this year exceeded amounts anticipated on the budget, putting PAC in the favourable position of having more than \$19,000 available, with only some items still to be paid for, ie - school clothing, staff luncheon, etc. The smart board funds are to be taken from the surplus from last year. A question was raised regarding the refund of HST and Kim confirmed that she will apply for the refund for this year as well as last year.

DeDe asked if any PAC members had been approached regarding holding a concession at the Intermediate Dance to be held on June 28. Christine will speak with the parent organizing the dance to see if any help is required.

**MOTION by Ali to accept the Treasurers Report as presented, 2nd by Jane.
CARRIED.**

COMMITTEES:

Teacher Liaison - Pj was not in attendance.

Fundraising - Christine reported that Pj related to her that she was dissatisfied with the school clothing vendor and plans to talk to use a different vendor in the new school year.

Christine reported that she had forwarded a letter to Little Caesar's stating PAC's dissatisfaction with the service we received on the day of the Track and Field concession, but had heard no response.

OLD BUSINESS:

Greening Project - Shyann reported that the proposal is complete and will be forwarded to Tree Canada that evening. She presented the plan that Tim from SD73 Maintenance Department had prepared, showing where the trees and turf/seed would be placed on the school ground. The proposal budget is for \$8,450, with \$3,000 hopefully to be paid by Tree Canada and the rest to come from SD73 Maintenance Department. Tree Canada would like a presentation in the fall, to be attended by media, and DeDe agreed that it could be organized the week of September 19th, with children perhaps adopting and planting trees.

World Book Online - It was discussed that students are not able to access the World Book Online via the DTE website and DeDe agreed that she would speak to Mr. Staginnus regarding this issue.

Smart Boards - Christine will meet with Coralee to arrange for payment of the Smart Boards.

Next meeting Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 6:30 pm.

Minutes recorded by: Jane Viventi.