

BME PAC Meeting

December 13, 2018

Location: Learning Commons



Attendance: Julee, Jessica, Katie, Laurisse, Teresa, Linette, Carmelle, Janet, Adrian, Dawn, Colleen, Claire, Crystal, Jackie, Janelle

1. Call to Order/Attendance at 6:07pm
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda for this meeting: Laurisse adopted the minutes from the last meeting and Jackie seconded it. Teresa adopted the agenda for this meeting and Jessica seconded it.
3. Introductions by Julee
4. Officer's Reports:
  - a) President's Report by Julee: We received a thank you card from COBBS.
  - b) Vice President's Report: Nothing to report.
  - c) Treasurer's Report: Allie is away. There is \$21,000 in one account. And there is a total of \$32,000 in our accounts combined.
  - d) Secretary's Report: Nothing to report.
  - e) Fundraising Report by Katie: Poinsettias for sale! There are still a few left for sale! Contact Katie or Jessica if you are interested in buying one! There are still some poinsettias that need to be picked up. Please do so ASAP. Our Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser went very well. Our fundraising total so far since September is \$3034 (this includes Cherry Hill Coffee, Purdy's Chocolates, Spirit Wear and Devry's). Poinsettias sales profit was \$472.43. Cherry Hill Coffee has opened the fundraiser to include their store now. You can now go to their coffee store location and purchase coffee at their store and if you mention that you are from black mountain elementary school they will add your order to our fundraising account. A question was raised about the spirit wear hoodies and some parents are wondering if there is a size small option. Some of the Grade 1 students are "swimming" in their new hoodies. Dawn will look into the sizes again as the brand name of the hoodies have changed.
  - f) Hot Lunch Report: (Rachelle is away) January to March is now open online. Jugo Juice is having some issues getting flat bread. From now on we will only be getting smoothies from them; no more flatbread orders. There are 368 students now signed up for our hot lunch program. The Grade 4's are continuing to deliver hot lunches and they are doing a great job. We really need a new hot lunch coordinator to step up and take the position for next year. This is Rachelle's last year doing hot lunch as her son will be going to middle school next year. Hot lunch coordinator can be a shared job so if you are interested in helping run the program please talk to Rachelle ASAP. It would be ideal to find someone sooner rather than later so that they can job shadow Rachelle before she leaves. Some discussion about sending out a notice to parents regarding this upcoming available position.
  - g) Fruit and Veggie Report: The fruit and veggie program is starting a free harvest bin project. They will supply all of the necessary parts needed to make this program work. Schools can apply

for this free program by submitting paperwork. Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Valiant have offered to spear head this new project. There will be an outdoor garden. More information to come. Mandarin oranges were delivered to the kids and they loved them.

h) COPAC Report: The COPAC conference was a big success. The catchment review process is still ongoing. Black Mountain is now a closed catchment. There was some discussion about whether Toovey Heights and Charleswood will be included in the new catchment or not.

i) Facebook/Communication: 176 unique visitors have visited our Facebook page in the last 30 days.

j) Volunteer Coordinator: No report.

k) Health and Safety Report: No report.

l) Classroom Representatives: No report.

m) Playground Committee Report: The sand was donated and the delivery was donated. We are sending the guys a thank you card. A connection through Jamie's husband.

5. Principal's Report by Janet: Report card envelopes need to be returned ASAP. The Santa bus came for the k's and 1's. It was a big success. The kids were very well behaved and very excited to visit Santa. 8 classes got to see Santa. A big thank you to Joseph Couillard who helped organize the classes and students. Big White early bird pricing ends on Saturday. Prices go up \$40 this weekend. Snowboarding lessons in the gym during gym classes were a big hit. Next week there will be a winter wonderland for the k's to 3's and the 4's and 5's will be having a pancake breakfast on the same day. Spirit day pajama day on the last day of school. Friday December 21<sup>st</sup>. The grade 5's will be selling popcorn for \$2. The art cards were delivered and were a big success. They turned out great! Today there was a staff meeting where they got to draw and paint their own holiday cards with artist Janice Keirstead. Christmas Concert at willow park church. There will be 2 shows. Some discussion about the parking lot and some attendants to help manage the parking lot during the concert event. Janet has a connection with a gentleman who is able to come help with the parking lot. Janelle also has a tentative group of volunteers who may be able to help with the parking lot as well. Janet and Janelle will discuss further about this. Dave Gibson will be coming back to the school in January to talk to the kids again about hwy crossing safety. When the snow comes, the parking lot will get worse. Vanessa Martin our school counsellor will be taking a family leave. She will be finished at Christmas. A new school counsellor will be starting in January and will stay for 1 year. The Code mobile has been here for the last two days, teaching coding to the intermediates. It was a big success. They will be coming back in January to teach the younger grades. Julee mentioned a "parkor" in-school field trip that could possibly come to our school. There will be a Rutland Forum happening on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>. Every single Rutland school is involved. The PAC is strongly encouraged to attend. Lots of discussion about another parking lot blitz in January. Julee made a motion to purchase the PAC lanyards. Jessica seconded it. All in favor. Cost will be around \$300 so that we have lots.
6. Spotlight on Student Learning by Adrian Zuyderduyn: There has been a team of teachers who have been working with a group of kindergarten and grade 1 boys. They have been working on behavior issues with one on one teaching and support.

7. Old Business

a) Parking Lot Blitz

b) Popcorn Machine – Teresa looked into some popcorn machine prices. You can order them online through Amazon, Wayfair, etc. Some discussion about the amount of time it takes to pop all of the corn. Jackie used to do this job at South Rutland Elem and it used to take her 2.5 hours. We are going to table this discussion.

8. New Business

a) Christmas Concert Dinner for Staff – Julee ordered Yamato's for dinner for the staff at the church at 4:00pm on the concert night at willow park church. If parents want to donate Christmas baking for the concert for the teachers to enjoy, please bring it to the school

9. Discussion and items for future consideration: There is a little boy named Hunter in Grade 1 whose Dad is dying of cancer. If there is anyone who would be willing to donate a meal or Christmas baking, or Christmas gifts to this family, they would be greatly appreciated. You can contact Laurisse Feddersen if you are interested in helping out. Laurisse will be delivering these meals and/or items to this family. Teresa will set up a volunteer schedule for people to sign up if they are able to help out this family in need. It would be great if we could come together as a BME PAC family and help this family out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Social at the Black Mountain Golf Course Club House