

BME PAC Meeting

February 14, 2019

Location: BME Learning Commons



Attendance: Jamie, Jessica, Katie, Julee, Janelle, Dawn, Adrian, Janet, Marie, Rachelle, Cory

1. Call to Order/Attendance at 6:05pm
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda for this meeting: Jamie adopted the minutes from the last meeting and Dawn seconded it. Jessica adopted the agenda for this meeting and Jamie seconded it.
3. Introductions by Julee
4. Officer's Reports:
 - a) President's Report by Julee: Rutland Senior is looking to borrow some of our fun fair stuff for a carnival fundraiser they are hosting for Pearson Road. Julee will look into details and report back to us about it.
 - b) Vice President's Report: It's Julee's birthday tomorrow!
 - c) Treasurer's Report: No report.
 - d) Secretary's Report: No report.
 - e) Fundraising Report by Katie: The Greenery fundraiser is now open. Letters will be sent home tomorrow. It's now open online. Closes March 8th. The Greenery garden center opens on March 1st. Fun fair meeting on March 5th. Fun fair is May 31st. The hoedown will be March 6th. Action Teresa: create sign up genius for volunteers. There will be a paint night fundraiser coming up in April. Also a Candice Johnson photo shoot fundraiser will be happening in May.
 - f) Hot Lunch Report by Rachelle: 382 students are currently signed up for our hot lunch program. (436 students total at BME) To date we have served 7914 lunches. \$39,684. Into the community we have put \$29,269. We have made \$11,812 profit. Concession sales are \$1,345. Hot lunch sales are going really great! Tara and Chantelle are going to be taking over the hot lunch program in September. Rachelle will be done her position at the end of June. Rachelle is still looking for a buttery pasta option from a vendor that meets our food standards. Most pasta vendors, the sauce has too much sodium. Rachelle will look into the possibility of doing a homemade pasta day with moms cooking the noodles in the BME kitchen.
 - g) Fruit and Veggie Report: Kiwis went over great! Mixed organic apples are coming next.
 - h) COPAC Report by Laurisse: ADHD presentation coming up on Feb 21. School surveys are out. Parents need to fill them out. Parent consultation about the calendar. Budget presentation was at the last meeting. Worries and Woes conference is coming up soon.
 - i) Facebook/Communication: No report.
 - j) Volunteer Coordinator: No report.
 - k) Health and Safety Report: Crystal is away. Discussion about making the green turning left arrow longer. Ex: extending the green light time from 2:30pm-2:40pm. Also, add some reflective tape on power poles and telephone poles. The students have been trained about highway safety multiple times but there are still a lot of parents who don't seem to know the safety rules.

Maybe we need to educate the parents about highway safety? Rules about school zones and speed limits and crossing crosswalks safely, etc.

l) Classroom Representatives: No report.

m) Playground Committee Report by Jamie: We have now spent all of the money in the school playground account.

5. Principal's Report by Janet: Kindergarten registration went very well. 50+ kindees have now registered. Closes on March 15th. Projection is around 70 kindergarteners in September. Our school should be growing by 25 kids or so. We will definitely be getting another portable next year. It will be placed beside the portable that we currently have. A comment was made about BME parents sharing some pertinent Facebook posts that apply to families outside of BME. Ex: new kindee students that need to register. Julee made a point of opening the fence up so there can be a lower point of entrance for parents to get the kindergarten and grade 1 students to their classrooms and to help with the congestion. Mrs. Anderson is on a medical leave. Mrs. Marcus is on a short term leave. Big white next round starts up soon. Duffle bag theatre is performing on Tuesday after family day. Sleeping Beauty. Circle of friends. 435 students divided by 25, placing the students into groups and talking about identity with other teachers that are not their normal teachers. No school on Feb. 22nd. No school on Feb. 18th. Harmony day is Wednesday Feb. 20th. Grade 5s will be running the assembly. Pink shirt day will be at the end of the month. March 15th will be report card day. 2 days before spring break. Parents need to return envelopes before spring break. ELFF night April 3rd Wednesday. Designed for preschoolers, age 3, 4 and 5. March will not have a newsletter but there will be a calendar. The hoedown is March 6th. There will be an upcoming vaping talk to the grade 4 and 5 students hopefully by some grade 8 leadership students. Harmony day assembly will be at 10:10 on the 20th. Some new primary books have been ordered for the Grade 2 classes. For the home reading program.
6. Spotlight on Student Learning by Adrian Zuyderduyn – ILE – Innovative Learning Environment – February 26th. BME is 1 of 10 host schools in the district. There will be some various leaders from the school district coming to our school to check out the grade 4 learning community. Mrs. Naka, Mrs. Crumb and Mrs. Koch's classes will be involved. These leaders will be able to talk to the teachers and students to hear what is happening with our learning community. They will be able to hear what works and what doesn't work.
7. Old Business
 - a) Parking Lot Blitz – reschedule to Feb. 20 – ties into harmony day
 - b) Feb 7 staff la cucina staff dinner 4pm – A big thank you from the staff for the delicious meal. Next year we should order more veggie lasagna and less Alfredo pasta. Also a big thank you to Rachelle for the delicious shortbread that she made and brought to share with staff.

8. New Business

a) Volunteer Incentives – Janet had a great idea about encouraging more parents to attend the PAC meetings by raffling off a prime parking spot. They can enter for the chance to win a prime parking spot at BME for a whole month! Parents will have to attend the PAC meeting to be able to enter their name in the draw for this amazing prize. Lots of discussion about this great idea.

9. Discussion and items for future consideration:

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, February 14th at 6:00pm

Next Executive Meeting: Friday, February 8th at 11:00am