

BME PAC Meeting

March 14, 2019

Location: BME Learning Commons



Attendance: Julee, Jessica, Claire, Teresa, Dawn, Jamie, Janet, Adrian, Janelle, Laurisse, Katie, Margherita, Cory, Rachelle

1. Call to Order/Attendance at 6:08pm
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda for this meeting: Rachelle adopted the minutes from the last meeting and Jamie seconded it. Dawn adopted the agenda for this meeting and Rachelle seconded it.
3. Introductions by Julee
4. Officer's Reports:
 - a) President's Report by Julee: We sent a gift card to a BME family who is struggling with an illness. Nominations for PAC positions for next year will be coming up soon.
 - b) Vice President's Report: No report.
 - c) Treasurer's Report: All treasurers are away tonight. We have \$26,356.75 in our main account. Plus \$8,000. No changes to playground account; no changes to gaming account. \$500 to go to the Grade 5 celebration.
 - d) Secretary's Report: No report.
 - e) Fundraising Report by Jessica: \$3175 total sales for the Greenery Garden Centre gift cards. Woo hoo! That is amazing! \$96 in Cherry Hill Coffee sales. Hoedown sales were \$1064.95. \$644.20 in profit. Paint night fundraiser will be coming soon in April. Fun fair committee has met and has started planning the big event. Candice Johnson Photography fundraiser will be coming in May.
 - f) Hot Lunch Report by Rachelle: Menus are now open thru till the end of June. 10,184 lunches served so far this year! Total profit is \$15,355.78. Rachelle contacted Olympia Greek Taverna about possible pasta options but their prices were quite high. Too high for our school's hot lunch program.
 - g) Fruit and Veggie Report by Laurisse: Next delivery will be grape tomatoes. Also, unfortunately, our school was denied the request for the garden initiative. Only 2 or 3 schools were awarded this initiative in the entire province of BC.
 - h) COPAC Report by Laurisse: Knox Mountain hill climb event coming up. May 18th and 19th. They need lots of volunteers from the community. If you are interested please contact them. There was a long discussion about the momo challenge at the last COPAC meeting. There is an online class coming up about anxiety for grades 5-12. There is also an ADHD workshop coming up on April 13th by Dan Duncan.
 - i) Facebook/Communication: No report.
 - j) Volunteer Coordinator: Teresa is working on an updated classroom rep list as well as a volunteer list so that she can get the lanyards done before the fun fair. If you are a classroom rep, and if you still need a lanyard, please contact Teresa ASAP.

k) Health and Safety Report: Discussion about a vaping talk for our grade 4 and 5 students. We were hoping to get some grade 8 student web leaders from Spring Valley Middle School to come talk to our intermediates but we are still waiting to hear back from SMS about that.

l) Classroom Representatives: No report.

m) Playground Committee Report by Jamie: We will be having a meeting in April to discuss some ideas for the school yard. Example: Repainting the lines on the concrete ground up top for games like four square and hopscotch. Janet is going to ask the teachers if they have any more ideas. Or maybe it's time for a refresh on the equipment carts?

5. Principal's Report by Janet: Registrations are almost complete now. We already have 67 new kindergarten registrations. Tomorrow is the last day to get identification in. Our school is growing and we are getting bigger. Most likely, we will be getting another portable for the fall. Class photos will be on Monday May 9th. School group photo and class photos. Janet is looking for input from parents as to whether we would be willing to branch out from Lifetouch. Janet has some suggestions for other photographer options. The Battle of the Books competition will be on Thursday, April 18th. Grades 3, 4 and 5 students are invited to participate. It will be held at Helen Gorman School in West Kelowna. Administrative Day will be on Wednesday, April 24th. Janet is asking for some new kindergarten t-shirts for the new little kindees that will be starting in September. Jamie would like to make a motion for us to approve spending \$400 on more kindergarten t-shirts. All in favor. The Grade 4 students completed a satisfaction survey about our school and their learning. There were multiple questions on the survey and the students did a great job answering the questions. Parents can also complete a satisfaction survey online in April if they wish.
6. Spotlight on Student Learning by Adrian Zuyderduyn – EASE – District opportunity for Everyday Anxiety Strategies for Educators. There is an upcoming session coming up in May. Teachers will be learning strategies for anxiety and self-regulation. Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. Mc Phail will be going to the next one and then they will come back and report to the rest of the staff on what they learned.
7. Old Business
 - a) FNV garden initiative – Jamie talked about a portable 48 L urban planter; a dirt system. Costco usually has portable gardens for sale in the spring time. \$72 on Amazon vs. \$100 at Costco. Katie will put together some prices from Costco and Amazon and she will talk to Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Valiant and make sure they are still interested in this project. Katie will try to get prices and info before the next executive meeting.
 - b) Volunteer incentives – Julee did a draw tonight and gave out 3 Starbucks cups to 3 winners. We are looking into drawing a name at the next PAC meeting to win a parking spot. Each time you volunteer for something, your name goes in the draw and if you attend a PAC meeting your name will go in the draw as well. Who wants to win a prime parking spot at BME? I know I do!

8. New Business – There was a discussion about lice and nit picking. Discussion about the possibility of starting a lice team among parent volunteers. This is something that happened at Janet’s last school.

9. Discussion and items for future consideration:

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, April 11th at 6:00pm

Next Executive Meeting: Friday, April 5th at 1:00pm