

## BME PAC Meeting

September 19, 2019

Location: BME Learning Commons



Attendance: Jamie, Jessica, Nicole, Jackie, Melissa, Teresa, Jessica, Meri, Tara, Katie, Tara, Claire, Nadya, Renata, Steve, Michelle, Janet, Adrian, Dawn, Laurisse, Janelle, Linette, Carmelle, Margherita, Sabrina, Julee and Kim

Preview of Math & Science Room Items: Presented by Mrs. Dereume and Mrs. McPhail

1. Call to Order/Attendance at 6:02pm
2. Adopt the Agenda for this meeting: Margherita adopted the agenda for this meeting and Teresa seconded it.
3. Introductions by Jamie
4. Administration Reports:

a) Principal Janet Slaney – Welcome to our new staff members: Mrs. Barbara Lovich is our new learning assistance teacher, Cat Smith is back in the Learning Commons and Coral Ghiglione is our new school counsellor. New teachers this year are Lindsey Olinger, Erin Thiessen, Jenna Fryatt, Amanda L’Henaff and Maisha Donahoe. Gina Mazza will be our new head secretary and now Janet just needs to hire a new Learning Commons clerk. Mrs. Marlyce Poirier, Mrs. Candice Johnson and Mrs. Alicia Ferraro will be our new CEA’s joining our staff this year. Our school is not quite full, so we have a little bit of room for new families that move into our neighborhood. We have 2 portables now and have room for up to 2 more if needed in the future. Janet is anticipating our school population to continue to grow over the years. Janet appreciated all of the help from the PAC parents who helped on the first morning of the school year. It was very beneficial to all new families. Spirit Wear order closes on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. The last Wednesday of every month, is wear your bear day. You can wear your BME shirt that day, or wear school colors, red, black and white. The Terry Fox Run is on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:10am. Your child can bring in a Tootie for Terry the week leading up to the run. Picture day will be on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Photo Expressions is the new company that we will be using for picture day. PAC executive members can get their picture taken too. FSA (foundation skills assessment) for Grade 4 students is coming up soon. Reading assessment, writing assessment, numeracy assessment. It is a mandated assessment by the school district.

Parent teacher conferences are coming up on October 9th and 10<sup>th</sup>. The book fair will be running at the same time as the conferences. District implementation day is Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. No school for students that day. Monday is Thanksgiving, also no school for students that day as well. Our BME Christmas Concert will be on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at Willow Park Church.

b) Vice Principal Adrian Zuyderduyn

Spotlight on Student Learning: Circle of Friends: All students get together from K-5 and talk in groups about Gratitude. It's a great way for students to build connections with other students from other grades. It's also a great way for teachers to get to know other students that aren't in their classrooms.

5. Items for discussion:

a) President's Report by Jamie: Focus for the year – Community (new committee) This new committee will be led by Christina Whibley. We are still looking for a new Treasurer for our PAC this year.

b) Treasurer's Report by Jamie: Our gaming account has \$2,146.75 in it. Our playground account has \$8,615.29 in it. The general account has \$37,507.65 in it but there are some expenses that have not yet been paid out so that number will change soon. In actuality, there is only about \$16,000 in the general account.

Signing Authorities – Jamie Taverner (PAC President), Jessica Pfitzenmaier (PAC Treasurer) and Linette Sandor (PAC Secretary) will be the 3 new signing authorities.

c) COPAC Report by Laurisse: We are still looking for someone to attend 1 COPAC meeting a month at the Hollywood Road Education Centre. It could also be a shared position.

d) Fruit and Veggie Report by Laurisse: Laurisse and Olivia delivered plums to all of the students. The next delivery will be organic Bartlett pears on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The fruit and veggie program is fully funded by the government and is available to every school in the district. They provide fresh fruit and milk to our students at least once a month, sometimes twice a month.

e) Fundraising Report by Jessica:

September Fundraising:

-BME Spirit Wear

-Menchies Frozen Yogurt Fundraiser: Go to Menchies after school on Friday September the 27<sup>th</sup>, purchase frozen yogurt and 20% of your purchases go to our PAC.

October 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> will be our Scholastic Book Fair

October 20<sup>th</sup> Candice Johnson Photo Shoots will be held at Mission Creek Park (in a new spot at the park).

November will be our Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser.

December will be Poinsettias.

February will be the Hoedown as well as Greenery Gift Cards for sale.

March will be Purdy's Chocolates again.

April will be Pebble Art kits (at Black Mountain golf course). The cost will be \$45 and \$17 of that cost will go back to our PAC.

May 29<sup>th</sup> will be our Annual School Fun Fair.

Mabel's Labels is an ongoing fundraiser that runs all year long.

f) Hot Lunch Report by Tara: Menus are open online from September to December. Tara is looking for some new vendors for January. She is also looking for parent input on new vendor ideas. A few suggestions were made about changing the Pizza Friday vendor so Tara will look into those options.

- g) Facebook/Communication: No report.
- j) Volunteer Coordinator: No report.
- k) Health and Safety Report: Kiss & Go Lane Signage

6. New Business

a) Treasurer Nominations & Elections

Julee nominated Nikke Heuthorst for the COPAC position. Nikke Heuthorst was elected through acclamation.

COPAC position: Nikke Heuthorst

Julee nominated Jessica Pfitzenmaier for the Treasurer position. Jessica Pfitzenmaier was elected through acclamation.

Treasurer position: Jessica Pfitzenmaier

Goals for Year:

Grade 5 Hoodies Update/Deadline – All orders are due September 25<sup>th</sup> for Grade 5 hoodies!

Please give your order form and payment to your child's teacher asap!

World Teacher Day – Teacher Appreciation Lunch, Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Volunteers Needed!

Classroom Representatives

Other Items for Discussion – PAC Newsletter – this new newsletter will be sent out by email mid-month.

PAC Draw for Esso Gas Card – Carmelle McGarry won!

PAC Draw for VIP Parking for 1 month – Kim Martin won!

Congratulations to both of you ladies!

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting – October 17, 2019