

BME PAC Meeting

April 20, 2017



Location: BME Learning Commons

Attendance: Bonnie-Lee, Allie, Jamie, Janelle, Tara, Janet, Adrian, Lacey, Dawn, Julee, Marissa, Jessica, Annie, Margherita, Debbie, Cory, Rachelle

1. Call to Order/Attendance
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda: Rachelle adopted the minutes from the last meeting and Allie seconded it. Lacey adopted the agenda for this meeting and Allie seconded it.
3. Introductions by Bonnie-Lee
4. Officer's Reports:
 - a) **President's Report by Bonnie-Lee:** We received a nice thank you card from The Richmond Family thanking us for the food that we sent them (they had a recent loss in their family).
 - b) **Vice President's Report:** No report.
 - c) **Treasurer's Report by Allie:** Our current total cash position is \$12,675.08. Our Gaming Account is at \$4087.58. Our Playground Fund account is at \$3,827.91. Allie motions to vote to accept the playground committee's proposal. Rachelle motioned to accept the proposal and Dawn seconded it. All in favor. Allie motions to accept her own report.
 - d) **Secretary's Report:** No report.
 - e) **Fundraising Report by Lacey:** We still have lots of Fortis BC light bulbs for sale!!! Our Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser earned us \$380 in profit. The Greenery gift cards are on sale now! \$25 gift cards are available for purchase. You can purchase them online through the hot lunch website or talk to Lacey. Our annual Fun Fair is happening on Friday, May 26th! This is our big event!
 - f) **Hot Lunch Report by Rachelle:** We will be getting Boston Pizza back on our menu in the fall. Hopefully in September. Drum roll please... 10,729 meals have been served so far this school year!!! We have made \$17,231.17 in profit so far. Things are going very well. All menus are now open and available for ordering for May and June!
 - g) **Fruit and Veggie Report:** Grape tomatoes are being delivered next. The mini peppers were a big hit!
 - h) **COPAC Report:** Spring Conference and AGM coming up May 6th and 7th in Surrey. If you are interested in attending the spring conference and AGM, please let Bonnie-Lee know ASAP. All transportation costs will be covered by COPAC. Nominations are now open for COPAC Executive. If you are interested in being a part of COPAC please let Bonnie-Lee know ASAP.
 - i) **Facebook/Communication Report by Dawn:** Kindergarten Orientation is happening on May 26th, which is the same day as our Fun Fair. Dawn will be posting a contest on Facebook soon, so keep your eyes open and look for it!
 - j) **Classroom Representatives Report:** Emails will be going out in regards to silent auction gift baskets. Classroom reps will be helping coordinate the items for the baskets.

5. **Principal's Report by Janet Williams:**

The final term is always a busy time in schools, especially at Black Mountain Elementary. Only 48 days of school left.

Today we had a cultural performance at BME. Just a reminder that all parents/families are welcome to attend BME assemblies – our next one is scheduled for May 12th @ 10:10.

Thank you to the families who supported our green bag clothing drive. We received 200 bags full of items for donations which equated to \$500.00 for our school.

Next year we are planning for 19 divisions. Four kindergarten classes, three gr. 1s', one gr.1/2 combined, two gr. 2's, a 2/3 combined, three gr. 3's, two gr. 4 classes, a 4/5 combined class, and two gr. 5 classes. We have two teacher postings at this time for a kindergarten teacher, and an intermediate teacher. We will also have two temporary placements – one for our gr. 1 until October, and our teacher –librarian until February.

~~As of today, we still have not received word when we will be allowed to accept new registrations.~~ **At 8:00 pm on April 20th, all school administrators received word to accept registrations beginning on Monday, April 24th.** (This is a different year for us in our province and school district, as the facilities is being challenged with finding spaces for new classrooms to ensure we adhere to the new classroom limits language. Until the spaces in school have been confirmed, no schools are allowed to accept their new registrations.)

Next year at BME, our Multi Purpose Room and our portable will be new classrooms.

The MPR will be a kindergarten room, and the portable will be a gr. 3 classroom.

Safety reminders: What to do if a parent were in the school during a fire alarm, or a lock down procedure? (Follow the students/teachers lead – make sure you report to Mrs. Cairney that you are accounted for.)

Further, parents who enter into our school need to sign in at the office, and to be respectful not to wander into their children's classroom unannounced.

May's calendar is packed full. There are many virtual field trips, swimming trips for gr. 3's, family life for gr. 4's and 5's, track n' field training, the gr. 4 & 5 at the Apple Bowl track and field meet, Fire House Visit for students in K- gr. 3, coming up our Bike to School Week, and kindergarten orientation (new students) on the same day as your Fun Fair.

On May 3rd, our final bottle drive will be held this school year for Heart to Heart Haiti. We encourage parents and families to donate.

On May 9th our school site will be used as a polling station for the provincial election. Voters will have access to our gym only. There will extra support on site, and extra signage to direct our visitors to ensure our students' learning day is not interrupted.

On May 19th, our team at BME will be in a workshop regarding the redesigned curriculum – creating self-assessment tools for our core competencies.

6. **Spotlight on Student Learning Presentation – Grade 4 Gold Rush Unit by Adrian Zuyderduyn**

7. **Old Business:**

a) Fun Fair: If you know of any businesses that want to donate something to our silent auction, please let Lacey know. Lacey and Dawn will be organizing a sign up genius page online for volunteers. We will also be looking for around 50 cakes to be donated for our cake walk.

8. **New Business**

a) **PAC Nomination Forms** – We will be voting at our next PAC meeting, so please invite other BME parents to come out and attend so that we will have enough parents present.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:07pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting – Wednesday, May 17th at 6:00pm