

## BME PAC Meeting

May 12, 2016

Location: BME Learning Commons



Attendance: Val, Elisha, Janelle, Rachelle, Julee, Dawn, Jeanne, Margherita, Lacey, Stephanie, Sandy and Rick

1. Call to Order at 6:00pm
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda for this meeting: Julee adopted the minutes from the last meeting and Rachelle seconded it. Lacey adopted the agenda for this meeting and Rachelle seconded it.
3. Introductions
4. Officer's Reports:
  - a) President's Report by Val (Bonnie-Lee is away): Janet Williams gave us a very nice thank you card for the planter we gave her for Office Administrative Day.
  - b) Treasurer's Report: Paper handout from Allie.
  - c) Hot Lunch Report by Rachelle: Hot lunch is going good! We have set some deadlines. There are still 63 accounts with outstanding amounts that need to be collected before the end of June. All menus are now open. Domino's Pizza will be served on Fridays for the month of June. At the next PAC meeting there will be some samples from Boo's and Beets. We are looking for a new chili vendor and if we all agree that Boo's and Beets are good, we will add them to our vendor list for next year. The BC Dairy Foundation has given us some "swag" to hand out to the kids and we have started handing some items out already. All payments and orders must be in by May 23<sup>rd</sup>. All outstanding payments are due on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - d) Fruit and Veggie Report by Julee: Cherry tomatoes were handed out and they went over very well. We now have our new fridge! Janet took care of that for us. Thank you Janet!!! Julee has signed BME up for the Fruit and Veggie Program again for September. Thank you Julee!
  - e) Facebook/Communication Report by Dawn: nothing new to report
5. Principal's Report by Janet Williams: The final term is always a busy time in schools, especially at Black Mountain Elementary. Only 32 days of school left.  
During the final weeks, students will be provided with an opportunity to engage in special events. Although it is often a time for teachers to do "special things", there are still many academic outcomes, and a great deal of learning to cover. We hope that good work habits and the six Leader habits that have been established for all students continue in spite of the many distractions that springtime can bring. With the longer days, children are more active, and involved in a variety of after-school activities. As a result, some children may postpone homework until it gets dark, but will be too tired to do their best. Parents can help by remembering to check your child's homework daily and following up with the school if you have any concerns, reinforcing good homework habits and encouraging your child to get their needed rest.

Just a reminder that all parents/families are welcome to attend BME assemblies – our next one is scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 12:10 – Mrs. Joyce and Mrs. Naka will be helping our community understand the sixth habit of Synergy!

Next year we are planned for 17 divisions. Three kindergarten classes, three gr. 1's, three gr. 2's, a 2/3 combined, two gr. 3's, a 3/4 combined class, a gr. 4 class, a 4/5 combined class, and two gr. 5 classes. We have one teacher posting at this time for a Gr.1 teacher, and a temporary assignment for Mrs. Hoy's 3/4 maternity leave.

Safety reminders: What to do if a parent were in the school during a fire alarm, or a lock down procedure? (Follow the students/teacher 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 class unannounced.

May's calendar is packed full. There are many field trips – gr. 3's and kindergartens, the gr. 4 & 5 at the Apple Bowl track and field meet, our Bike Rodeo for gr. 1's- gr. 4 students, Fire House Visit for students in K- gr. 3, Poultry Mini Barn for K & gr. 1, and coming up our Bike to School Week, 'Geering Up Workshops" for K- gr. 5's, and kindergarten orientation (new students) on the same day as your Fun Fair.

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Singh, and Mrs. Crumb will lead our BME teachers and other district teachers in a workshop regarding the redesigned curriculum.

Mrs. Thibert will be returning after her maternity/parental leave. We say 'good bye' to Mrs. Crumb who has been in a temporary assignment this year.

And, on behalf of our staff, we would like to welcome all volunteers to our school for June 15<sup>th</sup> in the morning to enjoy a continental style breakfast, and some student entertainment as a 'thank you' for your dedication to our learning community.

Action Dawn: Please post volunteer reminder for bike rodeo happening at the end of May.

## 6. Old Business

a) Fun Fair: Volunteer list: 32 cakes will be donated for the calk walk. There are still lots of empty slots on our volunteer sign up list. Please sign up and volunteer! Rachelle ordered 12 black aprons with BME logos on them so volunteers can wear them and all look uniform. Online pre-orders for fun fair tickets and concession are being put together soon. Val will make some paper copies for the tickets and concession for parents who don't do ordering online. The poultry barn will be here for the whole day on May 27<sup>th</sup> so when families come for the fun fair in the evening they can see the baby chicks. There will also be a PAC table set up with spirit wear for sale, including our new BME baseball hats! Dave and Dave will be BBQ'ing. All classroom basket donations need to be in by May 20<sup>th</sup>. We are hoping to finish putting the baskets together on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>.

7. New Business

a) Elections for PAC 2016/2017

President: Bonnie-Lee Gorda

Vice-President: Bonnie Siddon

Secretary: Janelle Schultz

Treasurer: Allie Becker

COPAC Rep: (vacant)

Fundraising: Lacey Dolman and Margherita Gullusci

Hot Lunch: Rachelle Couillard

Fruit and Veggie Program: Julee Richmond

Facebook/Communication: Dawn Douglas

b) Welcome Back Snack – September 2016 – start brainstorming: We are thinking of handing out apples, fruit to go's and juice boxes – we are hoping to get these items donated by Sun Rype.

8. Discussion and Items for Future Consideration: There will be a proposal coming from the playground committee soon. SMS supporting their website BCAA play here. They have created a video and have made an app for \$100,000. Please go online and vote for SMS to receive this grant. Dawn will post a link on Facebook.

Next PAC Meeting is Thursday June 9, 2016 (Last meeting of the school year!)

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz