

PAC Meeting September 13, 2023

Welcome and Introductions

Attending: Erica R., Aynsley K., Ashley F., Stacy B., Kait E., Liz F., Melanie C., Amanda D., Jamie E.

Meeting called to order: 6:35 p.m.

Positions

Co-Chair: Erica R.

Vice-Chair: Aynsley K.

Secretary: Amanda D.

Treasurer: Amanda D.

Events:

Hot lunch: Amanda D. and Stacy B.

Playground: Melanie C.

Member at Large

Committee Reports

1. Time and Talent survey: volunteer opportunities
2. Treasurer: Opening balance before teacher grants is \$3001.23

Motion made by Ashley F. to increase teacher grants from 10 grants to 14 grants for the 2023-24 school year at \$150 per grant.

Seconded by Stacy B.

Carried.

Motion made by Amanda D. to hire a DJ to not exceed \$600.

Seconded by Erica R.

Carried.

3. Fundraising:

Options considered for the year:

- Hot Lunches monthly (Subway, Hot Lunches, Salsbury House) – Amanda/Stacy
- Event Canteens – event organizer
- Honey - Stacy

- Cheese (Bothwell's) - Stacy
- Purdy's - Erica
- Shelmerdine's - Ashley
- Mom's Pantry - Kait

4. Fundraising next steps:

December fundraiser: Shelmerdine plants. Ashley looking into dates.

Spring fundraiser: Made in Manitoba (Bothwell cheese and honey). Stacy to look into

Hot Lunches: One form for Sept-December. Amanda and Stacy to run point.

5. Events:

Halloween Dance – October 19th, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Kait and Liz will take the lead on planning.

Jamie to book permit and tables (10)

Winter Event (paint night, greeting cards) – Amanada to investigated

Movie Night in March - TBD

June End of Year - TBD

Meeting Dates: Sept 13, **Oct. 17 change to Oct. 10**, Nov 15, Dec 12, Jan 17, Feb 13, Mar 13, Apr 16, May 15, June 11

Principal's Report:

Principals Report, September 13, 2023

Welcome all new and returning PAC members! We were so grateful to have 2/3 of our school community join us on our first in person event of the year: the Welcome Back BBQ. We felt the connection for staff, students, and families BEFORE the first day of school was a great way to ease some of the first day jitters. We had enough remaining hot dogs to feed every student that wanted one, another hot dog during our first week back as well.

Staffing Changes:

- New Class update
- Additional EA support
- New Guidance Counsellor, Music Teacher, and Reading Recovery Teacher

Committee Work and School Endeavours:

Playground update

- Phase one is complete on the West-side of our school. We will be fundraising and applying for grants for our next phases which include the development of play based learning structures, new soccer spaces, and a Indigenous Medicines and Pollinators garden.

School Extra-curriculars

- Cross Country Run Club began this week for grades 3-5 students

Patrol and other Leadership Opportunities

- New patrols are doing excellent! They are very keen to do their jobs
- Mr. Khinich is the lead supervisor if you have patrol related questions this year
- School Leadership will be organized by me

Professional Learning

- **Academic Learning** – We have adapted our timetable to have all students in dedicated reading interventions everyday period 3. We believe this will continue our work from last year building strong reading and writing connections.
- **Wellness** – September is the month we focus on teaching and reteaching Zones of Regulation, PBIS expectations, and build our classroom treaties. Helping students feel safe and connected at school is our primary focus this year.
- **Cultural Inclusion** – This month we focus on teaching and building treaties, share grade appropriate learning relating to Orange Shirt Day, and begin developing our cultural celebrations and observances calendar for the year. We use resources from the First Nations Caring Society, the Treaty Relation Commission of Manitoba, and our community to guide our school learning.

SRO and other news:

- We continue to have support from the Winnipeg Police from our School Resource Officer, Constable Wes Dow. He is working with our division team to support the work we started these past two years relating to digital safety and mitigating risks for children when using apps online.

Requests:

- Volunteers: snack preparation, reading with kids, celebration decorations, etc.
- Teacher grants for specialist areas as well if possible?

Upcoming events:

- **School Picture Day, Sept. 15th (Even day Kindergarten will be Nov. 6th during retakes)**
- **Terry Fox Run, Sept 22nd with Emerson School**
- **Divisional Cross-country run at Bird's Hill Park (Gr 3-5), Sept 26th**
- **Orange Shirt Day, Sept 29th**

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.