

Donwood School PAC 2014-15

Minutes

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 – 6:30pm

Present: Cyndi Sawatzky, Noreen Koch, Corinna Kroeker, Brandy Koebel, Tanya Horton, Tara Ginter, Connie Janzen-Winter

Regrets: Deanne Balkissoon, Linda Hirt

Administration: Ryan Francis, Christine Anderson

Opening

**Review minutes** – passed          Connie

**Administration Report** Christine

Construction – Our school will be wheel chair accessible with a regulation grooming room by Spring 2015. The foot path for students has been rerouted for safety along the outside of the parking lot fence. In the winter the snow will be cleared to support foot traffic. The School, division and construction workers meet every two weeks. Loud work is taking place before classes begin and after school hours to cause as little disruption to student learning as possible.

Student Enrollment – Decrease overall from last year as we are now a K-5 School. Our Kindergarten numbers have increased to 2 German Bilingual and 2 English classes. We continue to have students registering that have recently moved to our area.

Meet the Teacher BBQ September 18<sup>th</sup> – No cost to our families. We are supported by our Community School Grant. We expect 450 people to attend. A request was made of PAC to consider providing some financial support for the BBQ in the future years.

Fundraiser – Our School Fundraiser is Peak of the Market. Volunteers to unload and sort would be greatly appreciated.

First day of school went very well! We are off to a great start!

**Treasurer** – Noreen Koch

General account	\$379.53
Hot Lunch	\$3551.01
Greening	\$2274.49
Fundraising	\$1989.07
Greening Maintenance	\$0
Total	\$8194.10

Technology - purchased walkie talkies, iPods, cameras, ziggy, e-readers; bought from peak of the market fundraiser and Bloomers fundraiser from last year;

Hot lunch will be reduced to \$500.00, transferring \$2500.00 to replenish the greening maintenance account; remaining will go to General (staff appreciation, rental storage – curling, etc.)

In future, the hot lunch account will be reduced to \$500.00 at the beginning of the school year, rather than \$800.00, as has been in the past

Noreen will determine the money left over from the fundraisers last year to have transferred to the school for Technology.

Our Guidance counsellor has applied and received a grant of \$8000.00. The money will be used for a “snack shack” as well as to enhance our breakfast program facilities to meet provincial standards. The school offers a breakfast program 3 days a week, supported by three local churches who volunteer their time and financial support for students in need.

Scholastic book Fair will occur during the March Student Led Conferences rather than November as in past years.

**Hot Lunch** – Corinna Kroeker

7 members on team; Oct 3 - pizza, Nov - hot dogs, Dec - subway

**Fundraising** – Brandy Koebel

Nothing to report

**New Business** – Connie

Donwood website – request to have the Donwood website updated with the newly elected names of the PAC officials and their positions

Patrols – We have a lower number of students to train this year and therefore students will be on duty more often.

Budget meeting scheduled for the January 2015 PAC meeting; one item to consider may be raising the patrol budget amount.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting Date – October 14 at 7:00pm

Minutes by Cyndi Sawatzky