

Donwood School Pac Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2016

Present: Karen Krahn, Deanne Balkissoon, Elizabeth Klassen, Tanya Horton, Tanja Winter, Linda Hirt, Brandy Koebel, Jenn Regier

Staff: Marie Klassen, Clarissa Brown

Admin: Ryan Francis, Christine Anderson

Tanya Opened Meeting

Minutes were approved

School Report – Christine Anderson

- Construction on a Pre-School Child Care Centre is on schedule. They will rebuild the school path once they are done.
- Student Enrollment is up this year
- School plan priority Literacy, PBIS, Technology, AAA, and ESD. We will continue to expand our student authors in our school library with digital and handwritten books. Each of our committees will have PLC meetings throughout the school year.
- School Plan priorities are, Literacy, PBIS, Technology, AAA and ESD. We are expanding out student authors in our school library with digital and handwritten books.
- First PD session is October 7th. Specialty and open divisional PD for the A.M. In house literacy session in the P.M.
- Newsletters will be sent home over 3 month blocks.
- Donwood T-shirts will be sold again and there will be the coveted golden t-shirts to win as well.
- There is Block parent info in the office if anyone is interested.
- Little Jets expanded to grades 2-5. This means there are many kids from Donwood who get to participate in this great opportunity.
- Picture day is October 13th

- There will be a year-end Literacy Celebrations theme to come

New Business: Special Presentation from Marie Klassen and Clarissa Brown

BAG Better Access to Groceries

- Donwood will be starting the BAG program in October. Better Access to Groceries
- The program provides families with fresh fruit and vegetable at a reasonable price and allows parents to be able to pick them up at a convenient location.
- 25 families will be able to participate and we may offer it to more families in the future. Clarissa has families in mind who could benefit from this program.
- Food Fare on Portage is providing the fruits and vegetables at a good rate.
- Clarissa Brown will be in charge of this program. Students who are in resource will help sort and bag the groceries
- Groceries will come once a month

New Business

- Jenn Regier put her name forward for Fundraising. She was voted in unanimously.
- Linda Hirt was nominated as Vice Chairperson. She was voted in unanimously as well.
- The 2016-2017 PAC Executive is as follows

Chair Person: Tanya Horton

Vice Chairperson: Linda Hirt

Treasurer: Brandy Koebel

Secretary: Deanne Balkissoon

Fundraising: Jenn Regier

Greening: Jenn Regier

Thanks to all our new exec and welcome to our new members!

- Karen Krahn did research on the cost of First Aid and it was decided that PAC will set aside \$200 each year for any staff that would like to take First Aid. Christine will let the staff know that this is available.
- PAC will meet in library from now on.

- Discussion had re: how much time our kids spend on technology in class. There is no set time and each class varies. Parents should ask individual teachers.
- We discussed having some special guests come into PAC on special topics to gain interest of more parents. We also would like to see a presentation on Playmakers.

Reports:

Treasurer: Brandy Koebel

Accounts are as follows:

Greening: \$2274.49

General account: \$2808. 14

Hot Lunch: \$300

Greening Maintenance: \$2500

Patrol money was spent on fun mountain and buying lunch for all the patrols.

Hot Lunch: Deanne and Brandy

First Hot Lunch will be on October 28th.

Fundraising: Jenn Regier.

We will be Bloomers again in the spring. There will be no fall fundraiser

Greening: Jenn Regier

Lots of new plants were put in this year. Many of the students had an opportunity to help plant and work the soil.

Meeting closed at 8:15

Next Meeting is on November 1 2016