

David Livingstone PAC Meeting

Dec 4, 2014

Parents attending: 22 + Principal, Bridget Browning + incoming Principal, Darren Mitzel

Chair: Naomi Taussig

Minutes: Holly Salmon

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of Minutes from Nov 6, 2014 Motion: Nicole. 2nd Sharon. Approved.
- III. Principal's Report
 - a. New Principal: Darren Mitzel from MacCorkendale. Attending tonight, staff luncheon and holiday concert.
 - b. Bake Sale: 7th grade benefitting Ottawa trip.
 - c. Gymnastics program in May. Sergey, Olympic gymnast, conducts a school program. Cost about \$4000 for month. We will use last year's "special events" allocation (not used due to strike action) plus this years.
 - d. Fencing in January. Patricia, Olympic fencer, suggested through CST/Tupper + optional Monday afterschool program.
 - e. PowerPlay, December 11. Entrepreneur Fair by grade 7s.
 - f. Intro by Darren Mitzel, incoming principal. Just completed 2nd Masters in educational technology. Two kids at Begbie Elementary: grade 2 and 4. Wife is teacher at VSB. Spoke of goal of creating independent thinkers. Likes to stay current with technology. Co-creator of The Acceptance Dance. Excited to be at Livingstone.
 - g. Don Davies is coming for assembly to honour teachers on Dec 12, 2pm. Ms Lee: Prime Minister's Award for Excellence. Ms Cassie and Ms. Moy: Governor General's Award for Jasper trip.
- IV. Treasurer's Report (Dana) attached
 - a. Gift Card Sales: much higher than last year. Longer time period, more publicity, easier forms. Parents have to come to pick up cards.
 - b. Teacher Wish List completed with exception of choir vests (waiting for out of stock color)
 - c. Carryover from last year for Primary fieldtrip: propose to bring owl group in to work with students here at school.
- V. Communications Report (Makeesha) attached
- VI. New Volunteers for Open Positions + PAC Exec
 - i. Thanks to Dana Wainwright for all work both as Treasurer and huge amount of other volunteer work for the school and the PAC.
 - ii. Treasurer: Nicole
 - iii. Gift Card Program Coordinator: Stephanie
 - iv. Recycling Chair (organize team and make sure people sign up): Stephanie
 - v. Sports Day: Tanya and Sophie
 - vi. Secretary (for April/ May): Jodi and Juliette
 - vii. Communications committee: Andrew, + another parent

- viii. Popcorn Coordinator: Sophie
 - ix. Afterschool Programs: Melissa
- VII. Christmas Concert / Gift Baskets
 - a. Need donations for baskets. Get word out for donations needed.
 - b. \$645 made last year.
 - c. Motion (Nicole 2nd: Maggie): can spend up to \$250
 - d. Tanya and Mia volunteer to make baskets/buckets
 - e. Nicole and Sharon to take care of night-of Xmas Concert Announcements
- VIII. Guest Speaker Opportunities
 - a. Last month: Cyber-safety. Should we rebook with different topic?
Decision: Yes.
 - b. February as next speaker. Suggestion to get some one to facilitate round-table/discussion and allocate more time.
 - c. Vote to schedule on alternate Thursday from PAC meeting.
- IX. New Business
 - a. Interest in new fundraisers?
 - i. Organic fruit and vegetable delivery for family order. Extension of fruit/vegetable program we already do. School must redistribute. 50 families minimum. High profit margin.
 - ii. Simon Fraser Elementary parent. Organics delivery. Order on web site. Order comes to school. No minimum. Profit of 10% for school. Decision to bring owner to speak at January meeting.
 - b. Mad Science: January/February on Thursdays. K-2, 3 and up
 - c. Two truckloads of clothing donations from Clothing Drive
 - i. Covenant House
 - ii. Miscellaneous Women's Shelter.

Adjourned (to attend PAC social): 8pm
 Next meeting: January 8, 2014 –7:00pm