

November 6, 2014
PAC minutes

Recorded by Makeesha in the absence of Holly
Shortened meeting to allow time for our guest speaker

- Motion to approve October minutes - Stephanie, seconded by Sharon
- Principal's report presented by Naomi in the absence of Bridget
 - Bridget will be retiring at the end of the December
- Discussion of December PAC meeting and holiday social started by Naomi
 - options discussed
 - meeting and social together or separate?
 - short meeting followed by social?
 - social on another day?
 - how can we honour Bridget?
 - Preference seemed to be for a shortened meeting starting at 7 then a social event after. A - Naomi will nail down final plans for location and get back to everyone
- Teacher luncheon discussion started by Naomi
 - since we didn't have a full luncheon as planned in June because of the strike, should we do 2 luncheons this year?
 - Carolyn: Do we still have the budgeted money left since some of it was used for the picket line lunch? Dana confirmed that there was \$300 approved but quite a bit was spent. Naomi: we'll use whatever is left and she will take care of any other needs
 - A - Naomi will check on the dates that work best for the teachers and for Bridget and make necessary plans
 - very few parent helpers are needed - we usually draw from the executives
- Band program
 - The school district budget issue is coming up again
 - several options have been presented, including making it mandatory for all students and making them pay, outsourcing it to private instruction, etc.
 - there will be a school district meeting on Dec. 10 to vote, Monica is asking that for anyone who finds this an important issue, please follow the situation and attend the meeting
- Treasurer report
 - Monica Presley: \$1,894 was approved for new vests for choir/band, \$2,096 was needed.
 - Sharon moved to increase the amount to cover the balance, Carolyn seconded. Motion passed.
- Fundraising
 - holiday concert gift basket raffle
 - notice will go out that we are in need of donations
- Committees
 - Gardening day follow-up feedback: it was suggested that more information be provided to the teachers so they know the parents are there to help, not provide any kind of expertise. It might also be good to give more details to parents about when to

- arrive, can they leave at the end of their shift or should they wait for a replacement?
etc. A - Parisa took note and will provide more guidance next gardening day
- Communications: Makeesha would like an assistant to help when needed and possibly take over for her when the time comes. A - Makeesha will put a note in the email newsletter to this effect

Special speaker about online safety