

Minutes

Davidson Road Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2016

Executive Members Present: Nicole G (President), Kerri T (Vice-President), Jill N (Member at large), Jenn H (Member at large), Dori M (Member at large), Anita T (Co-Secretary), Allison M (Co-Secretary)

Regrets: Jodi C (Treasurer)

Guests: Janet Slaney (Principal), Jarret Atkins (Vice-Principal), Kim Mortenson (Teacher Representative), Shelly P, Jeannette I, Bretta L, Christina W, Courtney H-P, Rikki M, Michele K, Patrice H, Michelle T, and Spiro.

Item

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motioned by Spiro, seconded by Kerri T

Approval of last meeting's minutes – Motioned by Jill N, seconded by Kerri T

3. Executive Reports:

3.1 President's Report

- Good turnout at the welcome back BBQ. One of the best buffet tables in recent memory.
- There was a lot of help with clean up and it was greatly appreciated.

3.2 Treasurer's Report

Bank Balances as at Oct 12 including outstanding cheques written

- General \$11,117.12
- Hot Lunch \$11,179.46
- Gaming \$366.75
- PayPal \$6,465.21

A letter from Gaming stated that we have been given a grant of \$9,680 for this year and those monies should be deposited in the gaming account soon.

3.3 COPAC

- Calendar of all board meetings can be found on SD23 website. These are open to the public.
- There will be a review of the walking to school limits for Lake Country as there are no sidewalks etc in our community and it poses different risks to kids vs. children walking to school in the urban areas.
- Hub is now open at Pearson Elementary School. This is a centre that will address family issues, and mental health. It is a self referral service.
- Synrevoice is expanding. These are the phone messages from the school about various activities and events. It will now be expanding to include texts.
- October 22nd there will be free workshops for the COPAC at Hollywood Education Centre.

4. Principal's Report

- Thank you for a wonderful Welcome Back BBQ
- Terry Fox – over 800 dollars
- World Teachers' Day- Thank you to the PAC for the flowers, treats, and balloons.

- Implementation Day
- School Spirit Day – Tuesday Oct. 18th- Crazy Hat Day.
- Picture Day – Tuesday Oct. 25th
- Re-Take – Tuesday Nov. 15th
- Me to We student conference-This is open to everyone. Kids apply and are interviewed. They must have a valid idea, and maybe put into a lottery for a spot to this conference.
- Remembrance Day Assembly- November 10th around 10 am. Parents are welcome to attend.
- Big White After School Program-Information in school newsletter. Online registration is now open.
- Professional Development Day Oct 21
- Fruit and Vegetable program-The parents running this have children in grade 6. This program will need new volunteers for it to continue the 2017-2018 school year. Contact the PAC or school if you're interested in getting involved.
- National Downs Syndrome Awareness Week Nov. 1 – 7th -Volunteers are needed to bake cookies to give out to each classroom. Also a nut free house to volunteer baking cookies for those with peanut allergies would be greatly appreciated.
- Yearbook- Volunteers are required if we are to have a school yearbook. Please contact the PAC or the school if you or a small group of parents are interested in helping put the yearbook together.
- Milton Randall- was the first of four cultural performances. He focused on teaching drumming to the 5th and 6th graders who did a performance at the end of the day for the school. This cultural performance was well received.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences- Online registration will continue for winter conferences. The challenges of registering online have been addressed.
- Self-Regulation- School staff are meeting monthly with administrators to discuss how to support self-regulation. Some techniques being used are Mind UP and Zones of Regulation.

5. **New Business**

- A. Anxiety Workshop- Kelowna Family Centre offering anxiety workshops for children ages 5-12. The children will attend a workshop to work on skills and the parents will also attend a workshop geared towards supporting their child in managing anxiety. Cost is \$20 to cover materials. Information will be added to the DRE facebook page.
- B. Teacher Treats- There are still some spots open for a parent to provide baking to the teachers.
- C. Movie Night- This month's movie night will be the new Ice Age movie. Nicole has contacted Coopers for popcorn as well as Queen Bee in the event Coopers cannot get the popcorn.
- D. Safe Routes-Oct 28th-Friday-morning volunteers are required for the safe walk about. This is the last step in the Safe Routes-Clean Air information gathering process. Petrice will give out pamphlets at the cross walk in the morning.
- E. Break the rules day- Information to come.

6. **Announcements**

–parking spot draw-Thomas Family

7. **Next Meeting**

November 9, 2016

8. **Adjournment**

Motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm and was passed unanimously.

