

DR. D.W PENNER SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Monday October 6th 2014

Attendance: Jamie Campbell (Chair), Alana Sigurdson (Vice Chair), Jodie Zurbyk (Treasurer), Tanya St. Laurent (Secretary) and 5 additional parents

Principal: Richard Rajotte

Teacher: Mrs. Kathy Grenier

Thanks to Savannah for babysitting.

All parents are invited to attend. Any ideas, thoughts and suggestions are always welcome. If you cannot attend but have a question or an idea you would like discussed at the next meeting, please email: Jamie Campbell Campbell.jamie@wpg.sysco.ca and it will be brought to the table.

Call to order and introductions: Jamie- Good evening and welcome, thank you all for coming. It's nice to see new parents around the table. As our past chair would say- an engaged parent produces an engaged child.

Secretary's Report- Last month's minutes **approved by Sherry Koltholf and 2nd by Chantal Dufour**

One change to be made- SCIP Grant was spelt incorrectly

Treasurer's Report- Jodie Zurbyk

- Current balance **\$1691.00** Treasures report approved by: Tamara Shae and seconded by Debbie Nowicki.
- Halloween Budget set of \$1408.57 all in favour none opposed
- **Movie license** has been renewed at \$350.00 Jamie to find out why it's gone up so much this year. Just a reminder the first movie night will be on Nov 21st

Presidents Report- Jamie

- 38 families are now on the email distribution list
- SCIP Grant application has been submitted

Committee Reports:

Hot Lunch: Sam Sirtonski

- Pizza Hot lunch profit \$45.00 after initial start up expenses
- 80 participants, 7 teachers also participated
- The next hot lunch will be: October 30th Subway

- Sam to check on including the Teacher Association in hot lunch as well
- Thank you for the new grey trays, the kids love them! We will also be using them for our Traditional Thanksgiving Lunch!

Thanksgiving Lunch- Joy

- \$80.00 to purchase the turkeys,
- LRSD Arts and Tech are cooking our turkeys at no charge.
- Chantal and Angela will be picking up the turkeys and in return will bring some coffee as a thank you to the chefs at LRSD Arts and Tech.
- \$24.00 on new aluminium trays and jay cloths
- Extra buns and turkey ordered this year
- Thank you to our volunteers!

Fall Fundraiser- Jamie

- The executives met earlier and have narrowed the 20 choices down to the top 3. We wanted to support the business in our community and locally. As a Committee it was decided that this year we will be going with: Hoffman's Fine Foods, Bothwell Cheese, and Shelmerdene's.
- Thank you to Joy for organizing our volunteers for the Thanksgiving lunch!

Halloween Dance- October 23- Tamara

- Extra Foods has donated a \$50 gift card
- Coop has donated 2 cases of chips/ 6 cases of soft drinks/ and 5 flats of water
- So far we only have 3 teacher volunteers, Mrs. Grenier will ask around and recruit some more!
- Thanks to Tamara and Sam for organizing the dance. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Joy mattjoy@shaw.ca as soon as possible!

Principal's Report/School News- Rick Rajotte

- Newsletter sent as hard copy. Future editions will be posted on the school web page.
- Technology – parent agenda's and minutes will be posted on the school web page.
- Terry Fox run – over \$700 was raised, highest total in 8 years. One individual came in with \$300 dollars!! For 112 students this is pretty incredible!
- Year-end field trip is at Assiniboine Park June 29th – cost to be similar to last year.
- Tell Them From Me Survey – all grade 4 to 6 students will participate at Dr. Penner. Students will be educated on how to take a survey; teachers will guide them through the survey. More information can be found at www.tellthemfromme.com

- We Day – October 29th – our grade 5/6 students in Mr. Graeb will be attending this special event.
- Canadian Center for Child Protection has a new app out called findMeid.
- Professional Development Days – ten per year. Next one is SAGE, a provincial P.D. day. November 28th Divisional P.D. day will focus on numeracy
- This year will be the longest school year Sept 2- June 30 there are 192-198 days of school
- There are 10 admin days in total and 8 of those days are common amongst other schools to make it easier for parents

Teacher wish list

- \$650 for buses
- \$750 for technology
- \$250 for Grade 6 farewell
- \$500 for year-end field trip
- \$300 for patrols

Important dates for October/November 2014

- **October 10th -Thanksgiving Meal**
- **October 13th - Thanksgiving Day- No School**
- **October 23rd - Halloween Dance**
- **October 24th - SAGE- No School**
- **October 27th - Picture Retakes @ 9:00am**
- **October 28th - Early Dismissal @ 2:30 Staff Meeting**
- **October 29th - WE Day**
- **October 30th - Hot Lunch**
- **November 7th - Remembrance Day Assembly**
- **November 10th - No School Professional Learning**
- **November 11th - Remembrance Day**
- **November 12th - PAC Meeting @ 6:30**
- **November 19th - Reports go home**
- **November 20th - Hot Lunch**
- **November 21st - Movie Night**

Teachers Report: Mrs. Kathy Grenier

- Roots of Empathy mom came looking for us and we are lucky to have baby Theodore and his mom Georgia
- It was asked if the teachers would like the outdoor classroom re landscaped? Do they use it? Would it be beneficial to fix it up?

New Business- Jamie

- Consider rotating babysitters, Jamie to contact both and come up with a plan.

Adjournment- motion to adjourn 8:05pm

Next PAC Meeting Wednesday November 12th in the library @ 6:00pm