

DR. D.W PENNER SCHOOL  
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES **Tuesday September 9 2014**

**Attendance:** Jamie Campbell (Chair), Alana Sigurdson (Vice Chair), Jodie Zurbyk (Treasurer),

Tanya St. Laurent (Secretary) 11 additional parents

**Principal:** Richard Rajotte

**Teacher:** Mrs. Lois Mackay

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@wpq.sysco.ca](mailto:campbell.jamie@wpq.sysco.ca) and it will be brought to the table.

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**Call to order and introductions:** Jamie- Good evening and welcome, thank you all for coming. It looks like most of you are back from last year, good to see.

**Secretary's Report-** Last month's minutes approved by Debbie Nowicki and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joy Onyschuk

**Treasurer's Report-** Jodie Zurbyk

- Current balance **\$1810.23** Treasures report approved by: Chantal Dufour and seconded by Debbie Nowicki.
- **Working Budget-** Basically once approved working budget is a blanket approval on the expenditures- it means you don't have to approve ever \$100 you want to spend. Approved by: Debbie Nowicki seconded by Tamara Leuzinger.
- **Teachers wish list-** we always ask at the beginning of the year what the teachers need for the year such as I pads, recess equipment/ field trip for classrooms. They in turn give us a list so as a committee we have a set purpose for the fundraisers for the year. This will be worked on at the next in service day Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Movie license** must be renewed annually the current license is valid till October 2014. Mr. Rajotte has graciously offered to attend our movie nights. **Nov 21<sup>st</sup>/ Jan 30<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup>**

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**Presidents Report- Jamie**

- At our last meeting we discussed starting a Face Book page, now would manage it, who would post information. Basically we would need a gatekeeper to manage the account. As a group we are going to table this idea and check into having a link on our school website to post information in regards to PAC minutes, PAC activities. One place to get all the information you need. Mr. Rajotte will look into this further.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Hot Lunch: Sam Sirtonski**

- Pizza Hot Lunch Thursday Sept 25<sup>th</sup>- Royal Pizza
- October will be Subway
- 10 Volunteers are needed!!!
- Looking into purchasing some lunch trays for the students to carry their hot lunch from the classroom to the lunchroom. Jamie to verify the cost.

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### **Fall Fundraiser- Jamie**

- We had some disappointed families in regards to rotten veggie last year; we have decided to try something new!! Jamie will collect new ideas and will decide on a new fall fundraiser prior to the next meeting. Communication will be conducted via email. If you have any ideas please let Jamie know prior to Sept 26th [Campbell.Jamie@wpg.sysco.ca](mailto:Campbell.Jamie@wpg.sysco.ca)
- Khalid will remain as raffle chair- we need to apply for a license 30 days prior to the event.
- Esther has agreed to remain as Movie Night Coordinator

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### **Halloween Dance- October 23- Jamie**

- Sam and Tamara have once again agreed to organize the Halloween Dance!!!
- DJ has been booked \$275.00
- Joy has offered to coordinate volunteers

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### **Principal's Report/School News- Rick Rajotte**

- It's been a pretty exciting four days into school. The kids are lovely, very happy to be here.
- Enrolment- 110 with three more students will be starting next week. One boy from China- Grade 2 and two boys from Korea Grade 6 no English but literate (can we remove this from the minutes?)
- Student conference 94% participation rate
- Public Health Nurse was in on Wednesday in the pm. Standard with the Division they are in once a year to go over diabetes, allergies, and asthma. URIS plans are discussed
- LRTA- now in our school
- The School Plan will be finalized at the Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting
- My Child in school- a new Manitoba Government website for parents [manitoba.ca/mychildinschool](http://manitoba.ca/mychildinschool)
- Lunch program- 50 kids in the school lunch program and 35 kids in Day Care stay for lunch
- Reminder that Cross Country has started, so far ½ a dozen kids have signed up. Fun activity for parents too!!! There is usually a mass of parents cheering on their kids. There are four Cross Country Meets.

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- We have a new EA- Lori Vandal transfer from Minnetonka, Mr. Rajotte is ~~no~~ longer the only new staff member
- The Division will register all PAC Committees with MAPC. We will still be responsible to purchase tickets to the spring AGM.
- Mr. Rajotte to take care of building permits for the movie nights, Halloween Dance (October 23) and Spring Fling (June 5<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Important dates for September/ October 2014**

- **Sept 17<sup>th</sup>- Cross Country Meet St. Vital Park**
- **Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Picture Day**
- **Sept 22- Professional Learning Day**
- **Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>- Early Dismissal 2:30 Staff Meeting**
- **Sept 25<sup>th</sup>- Pizza Hot Lunch**
- **Sept 26<sup>th</sup>- Terry Fox Torch Run**
- **October 6<sup>th</sup>- PAC Meeting**
- **October 10<sup>th</sup>- Thanksgiving Lunch**
- **October 23<sup>rd</sup>- Halloween Dance**
- **October 24<sup>th</sup>- SAGE- No School**
- **October 28<sup>th</sup>- Early Dismissal @ 2:30 Staff Meeting**

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#### **Division News**

New website, it's very modern looking- positive rating

#### **Teachers Report: Mrs. Lois Mackay-**

- Exciting news!!! Cargo the Service Dog is back! Barb and Lois are meeting next week to set up a work schedule
- Roots of Empathy- Baby Theodore will be visiting next Wed Sept 17<sup>th</sup>. Great program to observe milestones/ Empathy based. He will visit once a month. Mrs. Grenier comes into the class before and after to discuss. Baby Theodore is 2 months old.

#### **New Business- Jamie**

- No new business to report

**Adjournment-** motion to adjourn- Chantal Dufour Seconded by Joy Onyschuck

**Next PAC Meeting Monday October 6<sup>th</sup>**