

DR. D.W PENNER SCHOOL

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday December 6th 2016

Attendance: Alana Sigurdson, (Vice Chair), Tanya St. Laurent (Secretary), Kyla Ritchie (Day Care) and 3 additional parents.

Principal: Richard Rajotte **Teacher:** n/a

Thanks to Ashley Leuzinger 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: Sam Sirtonski at ssirtonski@shaw.ca and it will be brought to the table.

Call to order and introductions: Alana - Welcome and thank you all for coming out in this crummy weather!

- New Business- Why is it that our school always goes to MTYP for field trips?
- **Secretary's Report- Tanya**
 - Minutes from November 1st meeting approved by: Tamara 2nd by: Allison.

Treasurer's Report- Alana

- Unfortunately no financial report was submitted. This report will be reported at the next meeting Jan 10th.

Vice Chair's Report- Alana

- Tues Nov 8th @ 6:00 Citizenship talk Tanya and Kuldeep attended. Shared ideas, networking, examples such as litter-less lunches, writing letters to Soldiers around Remembrance Day, Holiday Hampers- some of the ideas that other schools are involved in.
- PAC will start sending out information electronically as well as paper copies the more traditional way in back packs. To make sure all families have information on hot lunch/ fundraisers. Rick will send reminders when forms go home.
- Winter Concert Fundraiser- In the past we have sold Gingerbread guys and gals, blow up Christmas characters, and Hickory Farm baskets of goodies. This year we will be handing out Candy Canes to all of our guests. This way everyone walks away with something. PAC would like to focus on Feeding Penner Families by contributing to the hampers. There will be a Silver Collection- for Harvest/ Cheer Board and possibly Christmas Popcorn will be handed out as well.
- PAC to contribute \$300 to Feeding Penner Families Hamper. Penner is making hampers for 3 families. PAC will contribute \$100/ family. All in favor none opposed. Please sign up on line to make a contribution to the hampers www.volunteersignup.org/MX3WT

- Parent's Night Out is back by popular demand!! Alana to look into!
- Staff Appreciation will be the week of Feb 20th. The last three years we have made it more personal with homemade treats. Looking for someone to take the lead.

Principal's Report/School News- Rick Rajotte

- Winter Concert- Reindeer games. Everyone who auditioned got a part! No Giant back drop this year. There will be a Reindeer Network Desk set up. Matinee times TBD/ Tickets and letter will be coming home this week. Look for it in back packs!!
- **Just a reminder***WINTER CONCERT DATE HAS BEEN Changed DEC21 @ 6:30 PM*****
- Parent Teacher Conference 50 mins conference parent and teacher only/ seemed to be well received once again this year. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have further questions that were not covered in your parent/teacher conference.
- I love to Read month in February- Theme Canada 150 more info to follow at January meeting
- You should have received an email to check out the Parent Portal. It's a link to the school. There will be a picture of the school and your child. If you click on the school you get info what's going on in the school/ If you click on the student, you will get more info on what is going on in their classroom. This is fairly new. Some teachers still need some training on how to get everything set up and running.
- MAD SCIENCE- Rick still waiting on dates.

Teacher Wish List

- \$800- buses
- \$800- artist in the school
- \$300- Grade 6 Farewell
- \$600 Year end Field Trip
- \$300 Patrols
- \$500 Butterfly Garden

Upcoming Events Summary - Save the Dates:

December 8th- Fun Lunch

December 21st- Winter Concert

December 22- Last Day of Classes before Winter Break Early Dismissal @ 2:30pm

January 9th- First Day of classes after Winter Break

January 10th- PAC Meeting @ 6:30 in the Library

January 18th- Gr 5/6 Indoor Track U of M

January 19th- Fun Lunch Boston Pizza

January 20th - Movie Night- Secret Life of Pets

January 24th- Early Dismissal @ 2:30pm

Committee Reports

- **Fun Lunch- Allison-** Subway lunch approx \$200 profit
- McDonalds set for Dec 8th- 97 lunches ordered/ Allison to pick up orders and deliver to the school
- Working on Fun Lunch for January- Chicken Delight(2 pieces or chicken and fries) or Pizza/ Looking at hot dogs and homemade macaroni and cheese for March Fun Lunch
- Allison will continue to calculate inventory used for Fun Lunch
- **Fall Fundraiser-** Thank you to Tamara for organizing!! 34 Families participated!! Great profit Approx \$1200 raised! There will be a second order of the Cambri bags for anyone who is interested in ordering please contact Tamara.
- **Movie Night-** Nov 18th Dinner and a Movie- Finding Dorie!! Sold approx 40 hot dog dinners! 105 people in attendance. Next Movie Night will be Jan 20th- Secret Life of Pets

Adjournment- motion to adjourn @7:45 pm motioned by Tamara 2nd by Debbie

Upcoming PAC Meetings

January 10 February 7 March 7 April 4 May 2 June 6

Next PAC Meeting January 10th @ 6:30-8pm. Free Babysitting.

New ideas and fresh faces always welcome!

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!