

DR. D.W PENNER SCHOOL

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday October 4th 2016

Attendance: Sam Sirtonski (Chair), Alana Sigurdson, (Vice Chair), Andreja Aitken (Treasurer), Tanya St. Laurent (Secretary), Kyla Ritchie (Day Care) and 8 additional parents. Great turnout!

Principal: Richard Rajotte **Teacher:** Meaghen Shangreaux. Thank you both for coming.

Thanks to Torri St. Laurent 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: Sam - Welcome and thank you all for coming!

- New Business- Spaghetti with Santa December 13th @ Smitty's? Rick thoughts??
- Will there be any type of Hamper/ Toy Drive for Christmas? There will be a donation box at the Halloween Dance at the Fortune Teller station. All proceeds will go to Wpg Harvest this year.
- Volunteer Spot on line this year!!! Book your time on line!!

Secretary's Report- Tanya

- Minutes from Sept 13th Meeting- motion to approve by: Allison 2ND Asmena

Treasurer's Report- Andrea

- Few minor changes- amendment from last meeting- difference in budget \$4900 budget compared to \$4300 in the last month "s minutes. Motion to approve budget with amendment Alana 2nd Allison
- Current balance **\$2500.28** once cheque is written for the Penner wear the balance will be \$1800.00
- Financial report **approved by: Approved by- Steve 2nd by Kuldeep**

Chair's Report- Sam

- All permits have been complete. Only license pending is the Lottery License- in process
- SCIP Grant approved!!! \$2000

Vice Chair's Report- Alana

- Penner orders are in!! 42 items ordered. They should arrive by the Halloween Dance. We might end up with a little bit of a profit. But had to make sure we had our costs covered.
- Welcome BBQ- profit \$66.00 in the end!! Enough hot dogs left over for the first movie night and enough chips left over for the Halloween Dance!!
- Thanksgiving Lunch this Friday!! 100 lbs of Turkey and Halal Chicken!!! Thank you to Garden Market and Arts & Tech!! All volunteer shifts have been covered!! Grade 1's is buttering the buns this year! Kinders that take the bus will be fed first to get them on their way. Be sure to check out the Volunteer spot on line to sign up for the next event! It's super easy and you can pick who you want to work with!!

Principal's Report/School News- Meaghen Shangreaux for Rick Rajotte

- Enrollment 127 students 25 students in Kinder!!
- Terry Fox- We collected \$640.00!!! Terry fox flag, music was playing walked around the neighbourhood. Sang Happy Birthday To Mrs. McLeod!
- Emergency Procedures- 10 fire Drills a year. We have already completed 3!! 7 more to go!! There will be two lock down drills- they will be sometime in November. All classes practice for the drill. The day of the drill there will be an announcement, they are in lock down for approx 5 mins, and Rick walks around the halls and checks to make sure each door is locked. After the lock down drill- each teacher will de brief with their class to go over what just happened.
- Year End Field Trip- Still in discussion phase. Open to ideas. Need something appropriate for K-6 hard to find an activity that suits all ages. Suggestions- Zoo/ U of M Rock Climbing/ Movie @ Silver City (movie and tour) then back to the school for a picnic and games. Fort Whyte/ Tinkertown
- WE Day- Mr. Graeb's 5/6 class will be attending Monday Nov 18th
- Professional Development Day- Province Wide- there are 10 PD days in total in the City of Wpg. 8 of those days are common amongst other schools to make it easier for parents.
- Communication- Dr Penner website, twitter- follow Dr Penner, Syner Voice messages, PAC Face book page!!

Teacher Wish List

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

- \$500 Butterfly Garden

Divisional News

- Citizenship Initiative - LRSD Blanket of Remembrance Collaborative Art Project. The students will be working on making Poppies this week. Lisa Bunkowski is designing them. They will be made out of foam. They will then be attached to a net outside the Divisional office on the wall.

Upcoming Events Summary - Save the Dates:

October 7th- Thanksgiving Meal

October 10th- Thanksgiving Day no School

October 13th- Fun Lunch- Boston Pizza

October 21st- SAGE- No School

October 25th- Early Dismissal@ 2:30 Staff Meeting

October 28th- Halloween Dance

November 3rd- Picture Retakes

Teachers Report- Meaghen Shangreaux

- Cross Country- 9 students joined!! All in the top 20, came to every practice, have ran ever lunch hour for the past three weeks!! Usually we start off with 9 and end up with 2, this year all 9 stuck it out to the end!! All three runs were at St. Vital Park this year!! Much easier!
- Thanksgiving lunch- K- butter 1- Butter the buns 2-pumpkin tarts 3- veggies 4/5 Cranberry Sauce 5/6- Stuffing. The kids started on their placemats and are excited!!! Can't think of a better way to build Community!

Committee Reports

- **Fun Lunch- Asmeena & Allison-** for Tacco Thursday we had approx 60 orders \$98.00 profit. Boston Pizza is coming up on Thursday Oct 13th! 79 orders have come in. 42 people have pre ordered for the first 4 months. 62 Families are signed up. The Day Care is a big participant in Fun Lunch! Day Care will have their food delivered to Day Care and not their classroom. Please feel free to give Pac your thoughts on the Munch a Lunch program- we are in the test phase right now and will be making decisions at the next meeting if we are going to proceed with it for the year. There is a cost to using the program of \$300 for the year. Plus fees for paying by credit card. If you pay by cash or cheque there is no fee. For those parents who are not comfortable sharing credit card info online or don't have internet access there will be forms available in the office for all Fun lunches. November lunch will be Subway. Please note only send exact change for Fun Lunch orders.

- **Fall Fundraiser-** Tamara to organize- Bothwell Cheese- \$2 profit per item sold/ Colibri reusable snack bags- \$8.00 each \$4.00 profit back to the school/ Ron Paul Poinsettia profit \$7-15 per order. You can even get your Christmas tree!! Order forms to come out soon!
- **Halloween Dance Update-** Tamara- The theme of the dance is the "Rocky Horror Penner Show" Mr. Bones Pizza/ Silent Auction prizes are under way/ Halloween Brochure will be out end of the week or early next/ Bringing Best Costume back!! Adults dress up too!

This event needs lots of **volunteers** the night of, so we hope to see you all out, in costume and helping make a success. Please book your spot on- Volunteer spot on line.

Adjournment- motion to adjourn @7:40 pm motioned by Andreja 2nd by Asmeena

Upcoming PAC Meetings

November 1 January 10 February 7 March 7 April 4 May 2 June 6

Next PAC Meeting November 1st@ 6:30-8pm. Free Babysitting.

New ideas and fresh faces always welcome!