PAC Meeting Minutes February 2, 2021

In attendance: Bekki Stemp, Tiffany Perreault, Mark Lawson, Kelly Farmer, Jason Dodd, Cindy Schaeffer, Karli Reimer, Carter McLean, Kaitlyn Peters

Call to order:6:36 pm

Secretary's Report: Tiffany reviewed the minutes from December's meeting. Motion to approve minutes: Cindy Schaeffer. Seconded by: Jason Dodd. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:Kelly Farmer -our gift card fundraiser was successful. PAC raised \$1321.50 in profit!!!

-Motion put forward by Kelly Farmer to change the secondary signing authority from Jason Dodd to Rebekka Stemp. Kelly will stay on as primary signing authority. Motion was seconded by Tiffany Perreault. Motion carried.

Principal's Report: Mark Lawson

- 1. COVID Update- still no reported cases in the school.
- 2. New inservice date- April 5, 2021
- 3. Spending report- the school has purchased many items such as Shooter Tutors, shovels, a large parachute, baseball bats, disc golf equipment, and more, using funds provided by PAC.
- 4. I Love to Read month- hockey theme, info is posted on the school website.
- 5. Valentines Day- parents are asked to send any cards to school by Feb. 9 so they can quarantine before Valentine's Day.
- Possible future PAC conversation topics- community building and engagement, community knowledge, playground wind shelter, outdoor skating rink, new garage for school, walking path, ski boots and snow shoes (especially for small sizes), ipad keyboards, wireless mics for laptops, and outdoor nets
- 7. There is a possible grant opportunity through Canada Post.

-Karli asked for info on the disc golf equipment that was purchased. She offered her knowledge and expertise to the school to help with programming and clinics.

-Jason asked if the school division had staff who were assigned to look for grants. Mark replied that schools have access to some grants, but that some are community based. We may be able to work together on applying for funds.

-Carter suggested we contact the new RecDirector, Laine Wilson. Bekki will look into that.

Teacher's Report: Carter McLean

-remote learning went well for grades 7 and 8 students. They have transitioned well to being back into school.

-the school has purchased IXL math program that allows students to practice skills and teachers can target instruction and activities based on skill levels needed. Teachers are able to track the student's understanding and offer support as needed.

-New books were purchased for the classroom library. Students are able to comment, rate, and share opinions on books.

-Outdoor activity is continuing to be encouraged through snow soccer.

Old Business: Hot Lunch- no report

Spring fundraising- many ideas were discussed for possible fundraisers such as: plant/seed sale, bike raffle, frozen food orders, another gift card sale. Kelly suggested we shouldn't do another gift card one so soon after our last one. Karli offered to look into a few plant fundraising ideas and see what might work for us. This would need to be settled before our next meeting, so she will discuss with Bekki and an email will go out to PAC members as needed to vote on any ideas.

-Jason suggested we check with the daycare to be sure we don't step on their toes if they are planning on doing a plant sale. Bekki said she had not heard that they were doing one this year, but she will look into that.

New Business:

Teacher/Staff appreciation week Feb. 8-12. Kelly has organized treats and a lunch for the staff in previous years. With COVID restrictions, no homemade treats can be brought to the school. Items need to be store bought. Kelly offered to continue to organize this and asked the PAC members to text her with ideas or suggestions.

-For our next meeting, think about what our goals are for PAC and what we would like to see happen this year, and moving forward. Also, what are the roles of PAC with the school, and what is the school's role with PAC? Bekki also suggested we think of ways to encourage more parent involvement in PAC, especially with parents who have younger children in the school. Bring ideas to the next meeting. Manitoba Association of Parent Councils has a resource guide that may assist us in determining our Goals. Visit:

https://24.files.edl.io/eLJwPazYZFqJRofvnmjgsAnTqCT2no6RhI41RNVgPLncSEDL.pdf

Next meeting- April 6 at 6:30

Adjournment- 7:38 pm