

## PAC Meeting #2

### Meeting Minutes

6:37 p.m. - Arrival, Welcome, and Introductions

Nicole (co-chair) with Adrian (co-chair)

Introductions – In attendance:

Jenny – VP	Chris
Murray – Principal	Adrienne
Tanya	May Lin
Laura	Julia
Deanna	Brian
Jeannine	Carlton
Aisha	Ross
Jacklin	

6:40 – Recap of 1<sup>st</sup> week of October

Active transportation Committee – Tanya

- Walk and wheel to school week: went great, decorate bike event one morning, smoothie maker another morning, students filled out a piece of paper every time they biked to school and the chain made it all the way down the main hallway.
- Also had a map showing where the kids house was to help collect data where pods of schools live, intended to be helpful to get families to work together to do the walking school bus.
- Still looking for committee volunteers, meeting on Oct 18 (5:00 p.m. to 6:15 in the library) to brainstorm monthly events
- Two bikes were given away from Duttons (which is directly across the street from the school) and they have been very supportive
- Murray: had cards from the city about bike safety with tear off portions that kids filled out, used those tear off as tickets for the draws for the bikes
- Tanya: hoping that there will be another walk and wheel week to coincide with the bike to work week. Weather was not good for day that they closed parking lot, just did an extra recess another day and gave away freezies then
- Kids were sent home with ankle lights (those who handed in a ballot) that came from the city
- Now have walk countdowns at crosswalks

6:50 Need Coordinators - Nicole

- Purdys
- Hot Lunch

6:55 Halloween Party - Laura

- Decoration – Jeannine just going to use decorations they already have at the school
- Online Presence – Julie: wanted to clarify discussion last meeting on social media, not intended just to post pictures of kids but to increase parent engagement, want to create interest in PAC activities and involvement. PAC currently has Facebook and Instagram. Adrian: think we need to put some money toward it to get it going.
- Food: need three pots of chili, Nicole will do a veggie one and Asa will do a meat one. Also need people to bring tongs for salad.
- Designer - Flyers have been sent
- Games – Asa – 5 games, need fishing game the night before, going to buy some spider rings as prizes, discussion about prizes and where to get them. Should have 500 or more based on school enrollment and siblings.
- Music equipment and lights for outside have also been ordered. Murray: current audio system is as old as the school. District would put together a new system but it would cost \$3000 so it's hard to spend that kind of money for something that already works.
- Bake Sale
- Entrance Tickets
- Quiet room
- Sign up sheet for volunteers
- Cotton candy machine
- Photo booth-Deanna: had to order a new backdrop for the photos. Will bring gadgets and props for photos.
- Push social media

#### 7:05 pm Paint Night – Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> – Julie

- If they are going to serve wine they need paperwork and approval through Murray. He's okay with it. Jenny will reach out to Carmen, who just went through the process so she'll help out. Discussion about ideas for food, had suggested in past the charcuterie and bags of chips, Laura has a friend with a catering business and she'll talk to her.
- Going to try and have the square payment service as well

#### 7:15 pm School Update

- Camp Pringle
  - o Jenny: brought a quote to share and grade 5 teachers are happy to go but this year it is a significant increase, last year was \$115 per student. Cost is \$101.60 per student, charge \$115 to \$120 per student. Kind of a rite for students. Overnight for Grade 5 at camp Pringle at Shawinigan lake, stay for a day and a half. Have cabin set up, includes 7 program staff, has archery, rock climbing. Includes 3 lifeguards, all meals for students and 18 adults who need to go, rely heavy on parents for help supervising.
  - o Laura: in the past a bake sale has been set up each month (one class runs it per month) to raise funds, Lindsay has run the bake sales in the past. PAC has

supported it in the past but Laura suggested that the onus be put more on the kids to raise a bit of money through effort to pay for it.

- Adrian: maybe use Grade 5 kids time to go towards their camp fees, all kids should contribute.
  - Jenny: have to pay by March, with some fundraising we can get the amount that families have to pay down much more, maybe even covered completely
  - Discussion about doing a Movie Night, usually raises about \$1000 with minimal effort. Sometimes can raise up to \$5000.
  - Murray: there should be some discussion with parents of Grade 5 students (as well as students themselves). It has cost increasing amounts over 5-6 years, used to be about \$85 and has increased since then. General discussion about costs that they are trying to recoup such as insurance, busses, other increasing costs
- Reunification Drill – Murray
- District has hired outside agency to coordinate this, has been in process for a year and a half. School is learning the importance of the controlled release of students to parents during the drill or during an emergency.
  - Need to help parents understand that they need to have an adult within walking distance from the school to pick a child up or the child may have to spend 24 hours at the school after an earthquake. Cannot allow parents to run on to the field to get their child, school doesn't know that you've taken your child and then another parent comes to get the child and there is no record that the child was gone and then add stress to families unnecessarily. Whoever is closest will come first. All 4 contacts will come to the school at the same time, school will check that it's the right person and record that the child was picked up and where he/she will be going for the next person to know what's happening. List is there because it's likely that cell phones won't work during an earthquake.
  - Drill will be held on the hardtop, there is some controversy about holding it there vs the field, but the field is mud in the winter and there is no way to control the perimeter and the field is the community meeting spot for the community. Front has advantage of being fenced so that entrances can be controlled, also won't be mud if there is pouring rain.
  - Further discussion about how an actual earthquake reunification might play out
  - Discussion about the earthquake supplies bin

7:40 Open discussion or questions

- Fundraiser idea – Laura: December pancake breakfast, kids sit on Santa's knee. Suggested money donation as well as food bank donation (personal care products included). Laura will start an email thread to see who wants to help. Generally positive feedback from those in attendance.

7:44 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.