

Elmdale School Parent Advisory Council Minutes

Thursday Sept 13, 2018

In Attendance: Tammy, Heidi, Vince, Janet, Jacqui, Kelly, Stacey, Stephanie, Marian, Nicole, Cheree

Regrets: no regrets sent

PAC chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Welcome, Minutes from June 14, 2018 were missing that PAC voted Heidi in as new chair

Elmdale Report

Important upcoming dates:

- September 14,17 - Strong Connections (students attend one of 2 days)
- September 28 - Terry Fox run
- October 8 - Thanksgiving Day (no classes)
- October 11,12 - Picture Days
- October 17,18 - Health & Wellness days
- October 19 - MTS Professional Development Day (no classes)
- November 5 - Student Led Conferences (no classes)
- November 9 - Picture retakes
- November 23 - 1st report issued (Gr 1-4)
- December 18 - Christmas Program: Performance 1 (k-4) 1:30 pm, Performance 2 (grade 1-4) 7:00 pm

Building and Grounds:

Summer projects:

- New millwork in Room 9
- Library reading pit (ongoing) - still planning to do it maybe this fall yet

- New flooring in a couple of classrooms
- Some new furniture

Community:

- Mural on wall on building off of Main Street - new owner wanting something done with the mural

In School:

- PAC teacher rep - Tammy Klassen
- Very good attendance for come and meet your teacher - 91%
- Strong connections (Friday/Monday) - focus on building relationships
- Terry Fox - Grade 1/2 will run to the library park, do a lap or two of the park and then return to Elmdale to play some running games on our playground. Grade 3/4 will run/walk down the bike path beside the clinic to Les Magnuson Park. PAC will provide popsicles for students after the run. Kelly and Heidi have volunteered to do this.
- Elmdale Health and Wellness Days - chance for assessments, students will break into small groups but all students will be in school.
- Continue with the bucket filling field trips to Providence College - student athletes will be organizing games in their gym for our students.
- Summer reading program celebration - Pizza donated by Boston Pizza - date not set yet
- Skating - only for grades 3 & 4 this year
- Swimming - grade 2

Current Financial Requirements:

- Principal popcorn & juice \$20/month = \$200
- Books for Pick a Book event = \$500
- Birthday Pencils - 1 year supply approx \$200
- Providence College \$2.50/student (wondering if this is funded by PAC) PAC paid \$500 in the past

- Artsit in the school - PAC gave \$750 for this previous years

Reports from PAC Executives:

- Treasurer (Jacqui) - monthly update with account balances provided, please ask Jacqui for report.
- Volunteer Status/hot lunch program report (Janet) - shifts are covered up until Oct 25th, we need to rethink doing Subway as it is hard to get volunteers for this day. Anita has volunteered to help on Subway days. (Thanks Anita)

Unfinished Business for Decision and Action:

- Cookie fundraiser packages going out Sept 13
- Counting fundraiser money Tuesday Sept 25th - Kelly, Heidi, Janet and Jacqui have volunteered to help with this.
- Cookies coming in Oct 11 handing out to parents between 3:30-5:30 - Jacqui, Janet, Heidi, and Nicole have volunteered to do this
- PAC voted in favour of Classroom prizes for the fundraiser
- Another hot lunch idea was brought up - Diner on 52 - waiting for call back from Manager to answer some questions.
- Nicole has been voted in as the new secretary. (Thanks Nicole)
- Green t-shirt campaign - we have enough shirts for this year. Consider something new- Vince brought up maybe something like Elmdale shwag with the Elmdale logo, something parents and students could wear, will talk more about this at a later date.

New Business for Referral:

- Volunteers for picture day - Oct 11 - Jacqui and Kelly, Oct 12 -Anita and Nicole
- Corporate and parent fundraiser - Janet getting the letters out Friday Sept 14th, a few more businesses were mentioned to try.

Newsletter Item:

- Watch for PAC's cookie fundraiser coming home September 13
- More volunteers for hot lunch

Next Meeting Date and Adjournment:

October 18 2018, @ 7:00pm