

# Elmdale School PAC Minutes

## Tuesday, May 16, 2019

In attendance: Janet, Heidi, Jacqui, Vince, Nicole, Marian, Anita, Cheree  
Regrets: Kelly, Tracy, Stacey

PAC chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Welcome, Minutes from April 11, 2019 approved.

### Important Upcoming Dates:

- May 16 – Grade 5 Orientation Evening at CMS/SMS
- May 20 – Victoria Day (No Classes)
- May 29-June 1 – HSD Festival of Arts at Clearspring Centre
- May 30 – Run, Jump & Throw Day (Grades 1-4)
- June 7 – Volunteer Appreciation Event
- June 14 – Grade 4's to CMS/SMS
- June 26 – Family Picnic Day
- June 27, 28 – Administration Days & Final Report Cards Issued (No Classes)

### Building and Grounds:

- Monkey bars proposal – location approved by HSD
  - Pea gravel must be used – woodchips don't meet code and there is already a base in place, just may need to be topped up to 12"
  - Need liability insurance
  - Need to meet with Playquest to go over details

### Community:

- Getting new signage on school doors to direct all visitors to main doors and then to the office to sign in

### In School:

- Elmdale "shwag" from Oakleaf
  - Plan to order in November for delivery by Christmas
  - T-shirts, polos, hoodies, toques?
  - Not necessarily a huge fundraiser
- Fire, Lockdown and Tornado drills continue
- Lots of Field Trips coming up, especially for all students, especially Grade 2s
- School supplies for 2019-2020
  - Fee will be \$35 (\$5 more than last year, to cover cost of agendas for Grades 1-4 and field trips for Kindergarten)
  - Option to pay in smaller increments (Fall and new year?)

- 2019/2020 Staff list complete
- May 30 Run, Jump, Throw
  - provide popsicles
  - Heidi to call grocery store ahead to order/pay
  - Get 1 box gluten free popsicles
  - Anita will pick up and hold until event

#### Fundraising/Recent Purchases:

- Water trough ordered to Pembina for pick up, delivery to school hopefully in June
- Purchases this year included (rough costs):
  - New Book Event (\$500)
  - Colleen Watchorn artist in the school (\$750)
  - PrinciPal Awards
  - Sleds for outdoor play (\$120)
  - Providence College Bucket Filler field trips (\$500)
  - Grade 4 Farewell (\$5/student)
  - June 28 Staff Breakfast
  - Kindergarten t-shirts (\$600)
- Fundraising ideas for fall:
  - Spenst Pizzas
  - Sobeys/Superstore gift cards
  - Show & Save coupon books
  - Cottage Country (candy, trail mix, etc.)
    - Will likely go with Spenst Pizzas in early fall
- Wooden play structure
  - Need to consider when it will be necessary/required to replace
  - Start fundraising now?
  - Build new play structure in phases?

#### Treasurer (Jacqui):

- Monthly update with account balances provided. Please ask Jacqui for report.

#### Volunteer Status/hot lunch program report (Janet/Tracy):

- Hot lunch parent survey completed
  - 100 said yes to going online
  - 44 said no, keep it the same
  - Questions/comments:
    - Can we still pay cash?
    - Please don't raise the price
    - Want the option to still pay the day of orders
  - PAC voted yes to trying orders online
  - Compare hotlunches.net with munchalunch.com

New Business for Referral:

- K-12 Education Review – survey and letter to be done by end of May
- What else can we do as PAC besides fundraise and hot lunches?
- How can we show staff appreciation in other ways?
  - Coffee breaks once/month?
    - 36 staff
    - 10:30/10:45 AM break time
    - Gluten free and diabetic staff
    - Cheree will bring coffee break June 3

**Next Meeting Date and Adjournment**

Next meeting June 13, 2019 at 7 PM.