

Elmdale School PAC Minutes

Thursday, March 12, 2020

In attendance: Janet, Nicole, Karla, Jacqui, Vince, Tammy, Marian, Laura, Heidi, Tracy, Stacey, Erin

Regrets: Cheree, Kelly

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

Welcome, Minutes from February 13, 2019 approved.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- March 12 – PJ's and Pancakes (pancake mix, syrup and juice donated by Sobeyes)
- March 13 – Administration Day (No classes)
- March 20 – 2nd Report Cards Issued (Grades 1-4)
- March 27 – Superhero Day
- March 30-April 3 – Spring Break
- April 10 – Good Friday (No classes)
- April 13 – School-Based PD (No classes)
- May 13 – Kindergarten Welcome Evening
- May 14-15 – Kindergarten Connections (by appointment)
- May 18 – Victoria Day (No classes)

Building and Grounds:

- Library mural done
- Cubbies/closet upgrades in all classrooms over Spring Break
- Gym ceiling re-spray over Spring Break

Community:

- Crosswalk on Elm and bus stops – trees have been trimmed
- New Stonebridge bus stop is now being used
- Manitoba Winter Games 2022 in Niverville
 - If other schools effected, may have earlier Spring Break to make room for players

In School:

- Kindergarten registration now open at hsd.ca
- Kindergarten orientation -table for PAC members to introduce themselves
- Staff Appreciation – March 23-27
 - Each day do something different for the staff
 - Tim Hortens hot chocolate, muffins, donuts, coffee
 - Staples gift bags
 - Taco lunch (Homestyle Kitchen & Deli?)
 - Thank you cards (previously written by the students/parents)
 - Duty day by parents (covering recess/lunch duty)

- Class lists 2020/21 (parent request and friend requests)
- Staffing 2020/21
 - Support budget increased (Tara Klassen getting more hours)
 - Would take away part time teacher
 - Literary support being decreased instead of part time teacher so that classes can remain small
 - No looping teachers next year, as different size grades
- Substitute shortages
- Grade 4 visits to SMS/CMS
 - Will happen early April, end of April and in June
 - If students go to Steinbach Christian next year, they will join the group going to their area's school or can stay home
 - Earlier start to visiting middle schools caused additional anxiety and disconnect from Elmdale, which is why we don't do school visits as early as some other schools
- Grade 4 farewell
 - Swimming
 - Need to create a group of parents to plan further details
- End of school year picnic – order Sub sandwiches
- Balanced School Days – we will not be participating

Fundraising/Recent Purchases/Upcoming Purchases:

- Booster Juice fundraiser end of February raised approximately \$570
- Providence College
- Nicole gathered information for play structure options – nature type/wood structures vs. Play Quest pre-made
 - Nature/wood structures preferred
 - Vince will contact Bob after Spring Break to ask more questions
- Sunshine Greenhouse fundraiser
 - Send letter home week of April 6
 - Return forms by April 20
 - Prizes for incentives
 - Highest sales student wins party for class
 - Gelato from Sunshine for class prize (x2?)
 - Pizza, popcorn, movie for class
 - Free time in gym for class
 - Tracy to call A&W to see if we can get meals donated
- End of School staff lunch

Treasurer (Jacqui):

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

Hot lunch program report (Tracy):

- No Main Bread & Butter option for June
- Cancel Munch-A-Lunch at the end of the year

Other:

- NIL

Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

Next meeting Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 7 PM.