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McKenzie Elementary School PAC Meeting

Date | time 5/8/2019 6:37 PM | Meeting called to order by Debbie Kostyk

In Attendance

Debbie Kostyk (chair), Jodie Longstaff, Michelle Cunningham, Lisa May, Debbie Bowden, Sue Webb, Kristen Kristiansen, Lindsay Kennett, Tracy Len, Meghan Griffin, Joanna Snow, Kristine Kusnyerik (recorder)

Presentation – Marketa Lund, from Reunification Drill Program

Marketa Lund will be leading the reunification drill Tuesday, May 14th at 1:30pm. An email will circulate to parents explaining the drill which will allow school administration, teachers, students and parents to practice an important component of the school emergency plan. Michelle will post the map on the PAC Facebook page outlining check in and checkout spots. If parents or an emergency contact attends the school they will be asked for ID as part of the drill. It is not imperative that parents and caregivers attend. Kids will be supervised per usual as if during a normal school day.

The 8 x 8 emergency shed is under construction with a location for the shed to be determined after the reunification drill.

President/Vice Presidents Report – Debbie Kostyk & Michelle Cunningham

Debbie is excited to see the spirit animal outdoor circuit finally complete.

Michelle is happy to see the emergency shed being built this week and would like to see funding set aside or raised for outdoor shelters that could be used in an emergency or an outdoor classroom in future.

Treasurer Report – Kristen Kristiansen

Kristen reviewed that the current fundraising events to date have raised \$6752.77 with all events raising some funds and definitely school spirit. This amount did not include the generous anonymous parent donation of \$2000 towards the purchase of trees.

It was discussed that the earthquake supplies will need to be reviewed next year.

Mother's Day baskets

Mothers day baskets are ready for pickup Thursday, May 9th and Friday, May 10th. Alison will be requested to add a note to facebook. Possibly the leadership students could make some signage.

Tree planting is scheduled for May 21st with more information to follow encouraging volunteers. Lisa will be in touch with Darren from the school district to arrange for district personnel to be present.

It was discussed that the long term plan for the landscaping/playground should be posted where it can easily be seen by all as a reminder of the broader goal. Joanna will confirm if the family that donated the funds for the trees would accept a plaque or named tree as a thank you.

Board Game Café

Was a successful event in that is saw a different niche of students attend and enjoy the event. It was discussed that the PAC would like to hold one or two board game nights in the new school year with non greasy food. The board game café will run these events for groups or for teachers as away to give back to the community. Their only request is that the event be by donation to ensure there are no boundaries for families to attend. If the PAC requires gift certificates in the future for draws etc. it was suggested they keep the Board Game Café in mind as a way to return their generosity.

New Business

Stage - update

Arlene continues to research options. Some other ideas discussed were renting a stage or seeing if the family of schools would be interested in purchasing a set of risers together that could be shared amongst the schools.

Parent Education Night

Lisa will book Orla Colegate for October.

Code of Conduct Review

The code of conduct was reviewed. It was noted that one slight change be made: "sex" should state "gender and sex" be made. The PAC is encouraged to email Joanna or Sunny if they have any further changes.

At the next Pro D Day May 17th a 2 hr session on WITS (walk away, ignore, talk it out, seek help) will be held. There will then be an official swearing in of all students in September to follow WITS.

Restitution and consequences for poor behavior were also briefly discussed with some thought provoking discussion around reviewing the current punishments being implemented and should they be reviewed (ex. removing recess etc.).

It was suggested that possibly a community partner and community event section be added to the PAC facebook page if possible. Alison will be asked if she can investigate.

Walk-a-Thon – point person, Danielle Edward

Tracy has created a pledge sheet and has booked some community groups. Joanna will contact Danielle to have her in touch with Tracy.

Spring Raffle – The tickets have been ordered and paid for. Ticket sales will commence May 21st on M, W and F. It was suggested and an EA and student man a table if possible. The draw is to take place at the spring concert.

Hot Dog day – is to take place in June. It was suggested that the Grade 5 class may be willing to donate some spare hotdogs. Debbie will order the buns and create the sign up genius. Kristine will shop for the remainder of the items with Debbie B's guidance.

Staff luncheon – June 26th. Parents are encouraged to bring a potluck dish.

Set 2019/2020 Calendar – the new dates were booked with some wiggle room for some events to be decided by the new PAC executive. Some items of consideration for the new executive were: plan for call for nomination in March and April of next year. Should a walkathon, Spring Fair or Craft Fair be held? Should the raffle be held earlier in the year?

Set date for long – term planning meeting – It was decided that this should be tabled for the new Executive.

Call for nominations:

Kristine nominated Tracy Len for Secretary. Seconded by Michelle Cunningham.

Kristine Kusnyerik nominated Lisa May for president, seconded by Michelle Cunningham.

Administrator's Report: Joanna Snow

May 30th is the welcome to kindergarten and 10:30am and 1pm. Members from the PAC are encouraged to attend.

The Maker Faire was a success and will be scheduled for next year. One suggestion that VR be omitted since it distracted from the other centers.

Catchment boundary review is May 9th from 7-8pm at the school. If parents were unable to attend they are encouraged to email their feedback to: boundaryreviewteam@sd61.bc.ca.

Adjournment: 8:36 PM

Next Meeting: June 12, 2019