

**Dufferin Elementary School**

**PAC Minutes**

**General Meeting**

**September 16, 2015**

**7:00pm**

**1. Welcome and introductions-** Kirsten Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. In attendance: Kirsten Christianson, Ashley Traynor, Angie Sherman, Julianne Traczuk, Denise York, Lesley Willford, Mike Bowden, Harleen Price, Shari Harrison, and Katrina McKinley.(10).

**2. Approval of June minutes-** Ashley Traynor, and Kirsten Christianson.

**3. Reports:**

a) President- Kirsten Christianson.

-Correspondence from BCCPAC and DPAC. More fundraising brochures.

-BCCPAC Conference in Burnaby Nov.7.

-PAC received thank you cards from students.

-Hour of Code (Computer Science Kids Program) Dec.7-13. 1 hour intro to computer science.

-D.A.R.E. (RCMP) program for grade 5 will not be happening this year in the Kamloops district.

b) Principal-Mike Bowden.

-New curriculum introduced (Province wide). This is a transition year for teachers with lots of communication to parents. You can look over the overviews on my education BC plan website.

-New School Plan. Can be found on our school website.

-New data system will be used this year called MYEDBC.

-New Staff- Mrs.McGarry (Gr.6 &7), Mrs.Thomas (K-Gr.1), Ms. Primis (Gr.3&4), Ms.Barttanis (LART), Mr. Cole Levitt (Math Resource Teacher), and Mrs. Susan Hammond (partnering with Ms.Carter- K). There is 1 straight kindergarten class and 1 straight grade 2 class.

-Our school received a grant for technology. We got a class set of chrome books and half a class set of ipads.

-There is a staff room schedule now in effect. Please check.

-Billy Goat Run is Friday September 18. Grades 3-7. 1:00pm-2:30pm. Volunteers are needed. We are a host to seven schools.

-New free text-based program on remind.com. (Similar to synervoice).

c) Treasurer-Angie Sherman.

-We balanced out. We didn't earn as much, but we didn't spend as much either. Month ending June 30, 2015. \$15, 333.29 in general account and \$834.57 in gaming account. \$203.82 in petty cash. Total funds are \$16, 371.68. We will have our budget meeting next month -October.

-There is a request from a teacher for a smart board. Will discuss next meeting.

-We are looking for a new treasurer.

#### **4. Old Business:**

a. Mathletics- We are on a district license. It is cheaper overall. PAC and school will share the cost. We will NOT be charging parents this year. We would like measurable feedback.

b. Teacher Luncheon- It went well; we got good feedback from teachers. Jill's was a success and affordable.

c. Fun Fair- We need to convert the fridge back from freezer. It was cleaned over the summer due to a power outage and it needed to be cleaned out.

d. Donation to Green Family- We never heard back directly but they did receive it.

#### **5. New Business:**

a. Fundraising ideas/goals- Coupon books will be sent out soon. We will be doing poinsettias but no Dieleman. New ideas are cash calendar, booster juice, Mabel's labels, Dufferin Chapters Night (November 26), 2 Pub Nights (1 for PAC and 1 for Eagle Bay) maybe at the Casino. Kanga Pouches with school spirit stuff such as t-shirts.

b. Mug and Muffin- We will NOT be doing this year.

c. Welcome Back BBQ- We will NOT be doing this year. Too cold!

d. Halloween Dance- Families welcome. DTBA-Last week of October.

e. Movie License- Maybe share the cost with school. Talk about this in budget meeting.

f. AED machine- Talk about this as a school fundraising goal in budget meeting.

g. Skiing: Harper Mountain info will be given to organizing teacher as an option to Sun Peaks.

h. Hot Lunches will start in October. Fridays as always!

i. Year End Party- Will be celebrated at 6:30pm Sunday September 20 at Match.

**6. Date of next meeting:** Monday October 5 at 7:00pm. This will include the budget.

**7. Adjournment:** 9:04pm.