

**PAC meeting for Dufferin School
October 7, 2013**

In attendance:

Sue MacDonald, Kirsten Christianson, Angie Sherman, Josee Lang, Teresa & Nelson Neves, Garry Wong, Julianne Traczuk, Lesley Willford, Shari Harrison, Mike Bowden, Karen McKenzie

President: Kirsten Christianson called to order 6:35pm

- Welcome and Introductions
- September 16, 2013 minutes, Approved by Julianne, Karen seconded .
- BCPAC membership needs to be renewed.
- Mathletics has been approved \$10.00 per student
- New email address: dufferinelem@gmail.com

Treasures report: Karen McKenzie

- not much activity this month
- Query about cost of Smart boards being lower than originally quoted. To date budget is balanced, however, invoices may still be forthcoming.
- Have not received the 2014 grant amounts. Karen will follow up on this.
- Inquiry about equipment purchased through the PAC and where does it go after it has passed its usefulness. Mr. Bowden stated that typically these items would stay with school unless the school closes then they would be redistributed through district.

Principal's report- presented by Mike Bowden.

- Smart Boards are still being stored until maintenance installs them.
- Next District In-Service day -Google Summit presenting.
- Parent teacher interview Wednesday and Thursday of this week. No Supervisors needed for lunch on parent teacher interview.
- New teacher hired for K-1

DPAC report (District Parent Advisory Committee) no report.

No report

Fundraising Committee

- Duffy's Pub night November 10, 2013 notice going out in the next week. 120 tickets available steak dinner for \$19.00 5:00pm- and 7:00pm seating
- Poinsettia fundraiser. Karen McKenzie will look after this fundraising.
- QSP flyers.
- Christmas Concert front row seating and parking space raffle.
- Raffle for basket at the Christmas concert? offer idea to Grade 7 class for fundraising.
- February Spaghetti Dinner.
- Spring Business Fair. March or April, Mother day Gift

- Fun Fair in May/June with BBQ, Raffle/ Silent Auction. Approach classrooms to do baskets.
- Discussion on Mabels Labels fundraiser running all year.
- Menchies, frozen yogurt for Fun Day.

Hot lunch coordinator:

- Reported results from Hot lunch survey, some families would like milk to be added to program as well as fruit and veggies. Some families found cost to be too high.
- Discussion around children in school that are not receiving enough food. Teachers have identified these children and put forth recommendations that they receive a hot lunch on those days. Julianne motioned for PAC to continue subsidizing 2 out of the 4 monthly hot lunches for students that are in need. Request can only be put forth by teachers.
- Let families know that hot lunches are fundraisers for the school.
- Kirsten will look into a milk program.

Old Business:

School Planning Council:

School Board Act requests that 3 parents, a teacher and the principal sit on the School Planning council. Job is to serve as a liaison between PAC and school and school board. Includes creating a school plan every 3 years. Ideally meet once a month, meetings may be more frequent when school plan is due for presentation to school board. Lesley Willford, Shari Harison and Josee Lang to sit on this committee.

Dufferin red t-shirt reorder. Discussion regarding creating a updated dragon logo. Current logo was drawn by Doug MacDonald. Suggestion to have a logo contest. Forwarded to next meeting. For 2013-2014 year, we will stay with current color and logo. Teresa Neves will put in order to replenish our stock.

Playground equipment order has been organized through Ms.Bubella's classroom as a leadership project. Equipment will be ordered soon. .

Karen McKenzie looked into swimming lessons for primary students.

Actual lesson cost is reasonable, the bus fees are the concern. More research needs to be done. School district provides Grade 3 students 3 sessions at pool learning "Swim to Survive".

Fundraising Goals for 2013-2014

Vancouver aquarium Mobile unit.

Benches and picnic tables

Discussion on classroom libraries. Mike will look into literacy grants.

Discussion of Budget and finalization of budget to be forwarded to next meeting.

Next meeting November 4,2013 6:30pm