

Trafalgar PAC Minutes

October 18th, 2014

Attendees:

Karen Sandler, Gord Lau, Oli Helm, Megan Jenkins, Lorie Srivastava, Cheryl Gravkin, Amanda Magee, Nicole McLellan, Alison Scarlett, Jill Jordan, Holly YOos, Jenny Wu, Liza Li, Christine Spencer, Jessica McAlpine, Patrick Bradley, Andrew Konetzke, Nora Hamswortz, Li Li, Donna Zhou, Shaleena Jeraj, Nicole Mordant, Any (Yan) Wei, Lynn Zhang, Fiona Xiong, CJ Wu, Liz Hudson.

Adele's Report (Principal)

- Newsletter in limbo because computers were down for 2 days.
- Stressful back-to-school this year with strike and Carol's sickness.
- Cross-country has started. Approx 75 students signed-up.
- First assembly was last week. Kids were asked what they were thankful for.
- Events coming up: camp for English Grades 2, 3, 4, 5 going to North Shore in January.
- This year Gr. 4 FI will go on a camp and this year Gr. 7's will be going to Quebec.

Sarah's Report (Vice-Principal)

- Volleyball registration will begin tomorrow. Jr, Sr boys and girls.
- Season starts November 3rd. Planning meeting will be next week. Schedule will follow.

Chair Updates

- Hot Lunch is underway. Kids get very excited. New team this year. First hot lunch is Friday. Deadline is tonight at midnight for placing orders for this Friday.
- Interest in Pedalheads last year. Money was approved last year. Will do a bike session in spring. Not sure of details yet
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Treasurer's Report

- Our net funds available for use are \$26, 440
- The PAC has two accounts at BMO: Community Chequing and a Gaming Grant account, latter is required by the Province and can only be used to hold grant monies from Lotteries
- From the Gaming grant, we receive \$20 per child registered at the school; it is late this year due to strike
- Hot Lunch (\$12,563) and Hot Dog Days (\$2,246) are also significant fundraisers
- Last year, technology was the number one expense: just over \$10,320
- Greening was our second expense, \$6,768, though Suzanne Fielden raises a lot of money on her own through grants

- Arts is our third biggest expense, \$5,900
- Teacher Discretionary and library are the fourth biggest expense, \$5,400 - \$5,800
- Wooden playground has to come down in 2016. Discussion regarding direct appeal and whether we should direct some of direct appeal to a new playground.
- Direct appeal is looking for a coordinator. All jobs including Direct Appeal coordinator are on the PAC website.
- We also need volunteers for the Monster's Ball. October 30th. Kids and parents come and there are activities, games and food. Younger age focused.
- Motion put forth to fund four items: \$800 for Monster Ball, \$329.95 Dehydrator, \$100 meetings, \$250 for supplies (stamps, binder etc.)
- Andrew motion to accept financial report and statements. Second Shaleena. All in favour. Motion passed.
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Meeting adjourned: 8:09pm

Next meeting, budgetary meeting.