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Maple Ridge Elementary PAC Meeting

Date | time 10/10/2017 7:00 PM | Location 20820 River Road, Maple Ridge

# Sabrina Harker, Lisa Foster, Tanya Harrison, Samantha Laird, Nicole Keough, Mel VanKoughnett, Lisa Kania, Donna Servant, Rachel Jensen, Melanie Stoiber, Merissa Stephens, Dallas Bell, Christine Maxwell-Wilding, Monika North, Deanna Deane-Freeman, Christine Rempel in attendance.

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| **1.** | **Sign-in and Call to order 7:05pm**  | Sabrina |
| **2.** | **Administration*** Introduction and slideshow of Jason Craft, a famous local mural Artist
* French immersion funding (via a Grant that the school applied for) is paying for the first mural installment at the front of the school.
* Merissa, Sabrina and Rachael to meet with the teachers and students to come up with some ideas and
* Mme Servant shared a video presentation called Champion of Compassion

How can we take care of each other and support each other. Teach the behaviors we want to see!* Approval of the minutes from the September 12, 2017 meeting.
	+ MOVED by Dallas SECONDED by Mell. PASSED.
	+ Everyone signed in
 | Sabrina |
| **3.** | **PAC Chair Report**.* Welcome everyone! Thank you for coming. We will have a budget meeting after.
* Still looking to build PAC membership keep talking to new parents.
 | Sabrina |
| **4.** | **Principal/Teacher Report*** Lots of great stuff happening
* Mme Servant attended a French Immersion conference getting ideas on teaching and inspiration – implementing ideas at the assemblies already. Mrs Kania is also trying to embrace learning French
* Inspired team of teachers going to ADST sessions – looking for 4 more kits (breakout education Kits).
* Literacy and love of literacy
* Terri Fox Run – thanks to all the volunteers who set up tents and gave out treats to the kids. Students received pledge forms to return. Pledges accepted until October 17th.
* Volleyball – coaching by Mr Hetherington
* District Cross Country Runs (grades 1-3) is coming up October 24th at Albion. Intermediate is Alouette Lake on October 23rd
* Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place Nov 9th Mme Servant has brought in retired music teacher from the District – upper intermediate to help with programming and singing.
* First student led assembly was in late September. Giving the students an opportunity to lead. Parents are welcome to join us.
* November 2nd Social media presentation 5,6,7 after recess
* Enforcing technology policy as of Monday 16th– not allowed to use technology during recess and lunch
* Mrs Kania noted her appreciation that parents braved the elements to help with ice cream party
 | Mme Servant |
| **5.** | **DPAC Chair Report:** - (Dana Bates absent)* Dana Absent today – will review Report at next PAC meeting
* Once a month there are District PAC meetings, and the DPAC rep attends and reports back to our PAC
 | Dana Bates  |
| **6.** | **Treasurers Report** * General Account: $ 15,658.85
* Gaming Account: $3986.80
* Savings Account: $ 24,843.00
* We did discussed donating 1914.21.to the playground from the proceeds of the spring market
 | Samantha Laird |
| **7.** | **Committee Reports****Art Cards –*** Kids can create beautiful card that can be turned into gifts
* They have gone out today in the classroom.
* Orders are due no later than Oct 26th to allow time for processing

**Fall Bulbs – Dallas Bell*** $622 raised
* Bulbs arrived today and they will be delivered to school Wednesday or Thursday

**Movie Night – Fundraiser for Kira Shorts Family*** The cost is $400 for the licensing rights to show a Disney movie PAC would cover $200 and $200 from Administration.The license is for one year so opportunities are there to show other movies

**Crossing Guard – Traffic and Safety –*** Principal and Vice Principal are risking their lives to keep the parking lots safe.
* Encourage with kindness that parents not park in the teacher lots
* You can volunteer at any time to do crossing guard.
* Suggestion was made by Melanie Stoiber that we could send a form letter around and every parent can send an email to the city every time a concern comes up. The more that send in complaints perhaps it would expedite some changes to signage etc.

**Entertainment books** – Jeannie and Nicole* 57 books still outstanding

The group discussed still going ahead with Pizza party despite the Entertainment Book suggesting we hold off. It was unanimous that all felt the kids should not be penalized b=for the few who didn’t return books.* Maybe another announcement to remind students about returning the books would be helpful.
* It was suggested perhaps taking a break from Entertainment book fundraiser next year might be a good option and replace it with something else or parents may choose to support a different fundraiser.

**Hot Lunch:** Lisa Foster* First Hot lunch was Sept 27th – PIZZA!!
* Wednesday Nov 1st is Hot Dog day we need at least 8 people to help at 11am
* Money due October 24th

**Lug-a-Mug**: Lisa Foster* Lug a Mug – program that the PAC started offering in the winter months. Kids bring a mug from home and PAC serves soup in November, hot chocolate in December, soup again in January and hot chocolate in February
* Soup in November but date to be determined.
* Will need volunteers

**Neufeld Farms** (Sabrina)* The brochures and order forms have just arrived
* Sabrina will need help putting it all together, stapling etc.

**Book Fair**: Monica North: monikanorth@yahoo.ca* Monika spoke with coordinator recently
* Book Fair will coincide back to back with shopping night – Nov 17th and then following week of November 20th, 21st, 22nd.
* Inherited a well-organized program as Ms Walker dummy proofed the book drive, making it easy to pass off and learn. Can easily be done by 2 people and volunteers on the actual day to take payment. Still looking for someone to shadow.

**Santa Mall –** (Christine Maxwell-Wilding)* Every year the school collects gently used things you have at home, re-gifting items, everyone donates things. Christine is going to set up a box to donate items
* Christine would like to mentor someone to take this Christmas fundraiser on and to keep it going because she has a son in grade 6 and she is going to be moving on with him
	+ A sale is put on and the students can go in and buy a number of wonderful things to give to their parents/family members for Christmas.
	+ The kids really enjoy Santa Mall every year
* Date of Santa Mall December 13 and 14th
* Set-up is on Dec 12th .and take down on Dec 15th
* Discussion about where we could store the donation items in the future– perhaps in bins under the stage

**Health and Safety*** Stay on top of disaster/ earthquake kits
* Still waiting for the bin to be moved
* Sabrina presented a fundraiser option to sell earthquake kits. We would make 10% back. With the money raised we could put it towards updating the existing earthquake kits.
* We have a container full of stuff that needs to be moved over into the new container as soon as it is moved.

**MRE Fall shopping Extravaganza –** Dallas Bell* Registrations are slow to come in
* Event taking place Friday Nov 17thth 5 – 9pm
* Only have 30 tables left
* Volunteers needed to help set up tables 12-2, Christmas Decorations, Silent Auction baskets with the sheets. Night of will need help with 50/50, door greeter (5 people)
* There is an event page on Facebook already – so feel free to share it
* Need 25 tables from Riverside
* Anyone know any prizes or silent auction prizes? Need to be delivered beforehand.
* Dallas has a donation letter that can be emailed it=f someone knows a business that is willing to donate.

**Fruit & Veggie Program (**Jeannie not present* Free fruit veggies and milk for Kindergarten and Grade 1

**MRE Bursary** **Creation*** A list of eligibility rules were created information as follows:
	+ $500 Bursary value
	+ District 42 Gradutate to attended for 2 or more years
	+ Proof of enrollment in Post Secondary institution
	+ Preference given to a student attending a Canadian university
	+ Applicants would write 500 word essay or video – about how they have been socially responsible
	+ Deadline determination – likely determined by the District
	+ Committee at MRE would establish who would review applicants
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| **8.** | **Old business****Motion:** Sabrina motions to purchase the movie license spend $200 towards the movie liscence, Lisa Foster Second. All in favour. ApprovedMotion: Sam PAC pay for Pizza party if not enough entertainment books are returned **up to $150****Motion: Sabrina motion: to spend $50 on Halloween Candy, Mel seconded, no discussion all in favour – approved****Motion: Sam motion to move 1914.21 from flea Market proceeds to playground fund****Sabrina second all in favour****Motion**: Sam Laird motions to buy 400 granola bars and 1 box of fruit leather at a cost of $400Discussion: a parent has volunteered to pick up from Costco**Second:** Melanie VanKoughnett **All in favor*** Every year the PAC donates $100 per class towards the cost of buses**.** Mme Servant will ask the teachers what they would like for buses this year – if they in fact would utilize the funds as last year only $900 was used. Not all teachers took part.
* Weekly Blast - If anyone needs something to include in the Friday blast, it needs to be in by Wednesdays
* Mme Servant looked into team from Safer Schools to present a Social Media Awareness, Digital Footprint, and Cyber Bullying presentation for students. It is a 60 minute session for students. It is recommended that grades 1-4 and 5-7 be presented separately as the information presented gets more comprehensive as the students get older. The presentation would cover all things digital from digital citizenship (and how to be a good digital citizen) to the criminal consequences of cyber bullying. Some of most prominent concerns around student’s use of social networking sites and smart phones will be discussed. As well as online etiquette, how to recognize and respond to cyber bullying, criminal and social consequences, possession and distribution of intimate images (sexting), self-peer exploitation, digital media habits over sharing, digital addiction, piracy and plagiarism. The cost is $1000 plus travel for the presentation

**Motion:** David Bacic motions to book team from Safer Schools for Social Media Awareness, Digital Footprint and Cyber Bullying with a budget not to exceed $1200Discussion: - there is the option to add a 90 minute parent presentation but in the past it has been difficult to get parents to participate in any parent presentations**Second:** Tanya Harrison**All in Favor*** Every year $100 is given to each full time teacher to use as they see fit - for their classroom start-up. Support (ELL, Library prep) receive $50

**Motion**: Sabrina Harker motions to continue this tradition and spend $100 per teacher (19 divisions x 100) )and $50 per support teacher (5 x 50) for a cost of $2150**Second:** Lisa Foster**All in favor*** Adela wanted to plan a movie night to raise money for Kira’s parents.
* Would like to also have a concession where donations go to the family.
* Movie choice will be Muppets Kira.
* Parents can buy popcorn/drinks or can just donate.
* A date hasn’t been set but would be great for a Friday night.
* Mme Servant is going to apply for the licence to play the movie

Discussion: This will be the last event we do in the memory of Kira as the School Board does not want to re-open wounds as the kids have dealt with her passing and they do not wish to prolong the process of healing. As stated earlier a butterfly will be painted within the school mural in memory of Kira. Kira’s parents have not approved anything else to take place as the community was already invited to celebrate her life at the community candlelight vigil. *If anyone thinks their child is struggling to cope and could benefit from some counselling regarding Kira’s passing please contact the school.* | All |
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