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Maple Ridge Elementary PAC Meeting

Date | time 3/10/2020 7:10 PM | *Location* 20820 River Road, Maple Ridge

Nicole Keough, Tanya Harrison, Sabrina Harker, Chelsea Lendvoy, Christine Willman, Nareen Atkins, Julie Kaplan, Danielle Donovan, Randi Nicolai, Holly Clermont and Tanya Houle.

Item Description

1. Sign-in and Call to order 7:10pm

2. Administration (Nicole Keough)

Thank you all for coming. Introductions around the table.

Motion: made by Sabrina to approve the February meeting minutes, seconded by Tanya Harrison, All in favor, Approved

3. PAC Chair Report (Nicole Keough)

- PAC put on our February hot chocolate lug a mug, thank you to all our volunteers who came out to help - we always appreciate the help!
- Christine presented a mug and chocolates for Mrs. Hayward's retirement at the Kindness Counts Assembly in February and the principals presented her with a plant to show our appreciation for all that she has done during her 25 years of service.

4. Principal/Vice Principal Report (Chelsea Lendvoy)

Recent Events:

Last week our teachers worked very hard preparing student-led conferences and meeting with individual students and families to discuss learning and the progress each child is making.

This week the fire department will be holding Fire Safety Presentations for all our primary K-3 classes

Basketball season is now complete. The basketball teams joined together for a pizza party on Monday at lunch. We thank the PAC for their contribution to help our school teams celebrate these types of events.

Aikido is a type of martial art which focuses on self-regulation and self-awareness skills. This is something that Mr. Foster takes on every spring. He will be working with the grades 4 and 5. He has grade 6 helpers who participated last year that will be joining

Staff Changes

Barb Hayward's last day was on Friday February 28th, thank you to the PAC for your gift and farewell to her at the Kindness Counts Assembly. Barb's retirement created a vacancy which has been filled internally.

Mrs. Denoni, another long-term EA will be going on leave for the third term. The employee replacing her is named Cydney Turner and we look forward to her joining us after spring break.

Mme Servant is on medical leave at the moment, we anticipate her return in early April. Until that time, we have two retired principals who have been assisting. Their names are Donna Heikkila and Stephanie Dand. They both have many years of experience and their contributions are welcomed.

The first day of spring break is Monday March 16th and school will resume on Monday March 30th.

5. DPAC Chair Report (Christine Willman)

- DPAC is a representation of Parent Advisory Councils (PACs) from across the district. They represent the concerns of parents in district 42
- The February meeting presentation was on the Rotary Club Duck Race information, which we will be taking part in this year. This is a really great fundraising opportunity as 90% of the ticket price goes to each organization that sells tickets.
- Webster Corner spring fair is on April 5th.
- John Gapton will be presenting "Being your child's advocate" at Heritage Park Middle School
- April 2nd at 7:00pm is the next DPAC meeting at the c'usquela school, Presentation on IEP's – "What Parents need to know" Presentation by Suzanne Perreault who is the Langley School District Trustee, Parent Advocate, Youth and Family Counsellor
- DPAC Appreciation dinner will be on May 20th at MRSS.

6. Treasurers Report as of March 10th 2020 (Tanya Harrison on behalf of Sam Laird)

- General Account: \$ xxxxxx
- Gaming Account: \$ xxxxxx
- Savings Account: \$ xxxxxx

It was a challenge to reconcile munch-a-lunch, Teagan can assist Sam in getting the reports per division. 50/50 and raffle money needs to be transferred from general to gaming. Still need to pay for Kathleen Hatley and the birdhouses.

7. Committee Reports

We do a lot of fundraising at MRE and it looks like we have a lot of money but a good portion of it is earmarked towards the new playground. The following committees are relevant now:

Hot Lunches (Teagan McGeachie)

- The next Hot Lunch is Booster Juice on March 12
- April hot lunch is Pizza.
- We need to form a Hot Lunch team, if you are interested please contact Teagan.

Bookfair (Nicole Keough)

- Book Fair was a success and we were able to give \$100 to Mme Servant for the book cart, \$250 to Mr. Bissett for the library, and brought in a total of \$4209.95. This was down \$200 from last year.
- We were given a full cart of French books this year.
- Next year we will consider having a parent's night at the spring book fair to increase profits.

Dance (Tanya Houle)

- The Spring Fling Family Dance will be held on May 1st from 5:00 – 7:30.
- Admission is \$3 presale and \$4 at the door, forms have gone out with children on March 2nd and presales are also available on Munchalunch.
- We attended a school dance at Alexander Robinson that was very informative and we got a lot of good ideas on how to run the dance smoothly.
- We will consider a backup date at our next meeting if needed.

Carnival (Tanya Harrison)

- We have set a date; Carnival will be Wednesday June 17 and we have reserved party works.
- Currently making decisions on what to include this year.
- Next meeting April 7th at 6:00pm.

Neufeld Farms (Tanya Harrison)

- Forms are here and will go out after spring break.
- Deadline for ordering will be April 30th
- Delivery of orders will be at MRE 5pm on Thursday May 14th Orders must be picked up at 5pm as items are frozen and we do not have a freezer to store orders.

Duck Races (Nicole Keough)

- We have a limited number of duck race tickets to sell and will be determining how to sell them in the coming weeks.

8. Old Business

Book Fair – Mr. Bissett is very happy and thanks the PAC for the contribution from book fair.

Minute Taker – Tanya Houle will be the interim minute taker as Tanya Harrison has stepped into the Vice Chair role.

9. New Business

If anyone has fundraising ideas they would like to put forth please feel free. It might be great to do some larger fundraisers throughout the year rather than a bunch of little ones.

- Nominations will be held in April for the executive PAC positions, Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and DPAC Representative. Voting to Follow at the May meeting.
- Fundraising protocol is to first bring any ideas to PAC for discussion. Once approved by PAC then Admin (Principals) will need to approve the dates. The PAC executives will assist with this for each new fundraiser.
- Welcome to Kindergarten with take place in May. We will need PAC volunteers as we will be available for the duration of the event.
- Canadian Parents for French (CPF) wants to put together a package for kindergarten orientation.

Next PAC meeting: is at 7pm in the Library on Tuesday April 14th

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm