



McGowan Park PAC

January 16, 2017

McGowan Park Elementary Library

Call to Order @ 6:35

In Attendance: Gitte Nessman, Nichole Rae, Rebecca Warner, Joanne Vorpahl, Andrea Younie, Sarah Sundholm, Tim Scallon, Cori Wickes, Jo McKenna

Adoption of Previous Minutes: Gitte motioned, Sarah seconded

Correspondence of Note: Nothing new to report

Treasurer's Report: Nichole Rae

- PAC funds are held in two bank accounts – "General" and "Gaming".

General Account (reporting period: Nov. 15 to Dec. 30, 2016)

- Revenues received this reporting period:
 - Family movie night - \$227.00
 - Deposit interest - \$2.39
- Expenses incurred this reporting period:
 - Curriculum-related items requested by school - \$3,669.57
 - Cheques cleared from previous reporting periods - \$2,450.00
 - Family movie night (candy) - \$41.07
 - Banking fees - \$6.20
- General account balance as of December 30 (date last statement issued) was **\$10,445.78**. As no deposits have been made since that date and there are no outstanding cheques, today's bank balance is within a few dollars of this amount (taking into account bank fees and interest deposits).
- The PAC has previously committed to \$7,200 in additional funding from the General account to cover the following:
 - \$1,400 toward curriculum-related items requested by the school
 - \$500 toward the 2017 Sa-Hali Student Award

- \$3,500 toward the purchase of school playground equipment in a future year
- \$1,800 toward the upcoming winter carnival
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Treasurer's Report cont.

- Unrestricted General funds now available for spending total approximately **\$3,200**.

Gaming Account (Nov. 15 to Dec. 16, 2016)

- Gaming account funds are received through a grant from the provincial Gaming Branch and must be used to enhance student extracurricular opportunities.
- Expenses incurred this reporting period:
 - Cheques cleared from previous reporting periods - 422.03
 - Primary gymnastics - \$46.00 (outstanding amount from original invoice)
 - Banking fees - \$6.50 – this is higher than in previous months.

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- Gaming account balance as of December 16 (date last statement issued) was **\$10,062.56**. As no deposits have been made since that date and there are no outstanding cheques, today's bank balance is within a few dollars of this amount (taking into account bank fees and interest deposits).
- The PAC has previously committed to approximately \$9,200 in additional funding from the Gaming account to cover the following:
 - Approximately \$100 toward Nov 28 movie rental (revised invoice not received)
 - Approximately \$6,000 toward extracurricular activities requested by the school
 - \$3,500 toward the purchase of school playground equipment in a future year
- Unrestricted Gaming funds available for spending now total approximately **\$850**.

The current PAC financial summary, including a detailed list of PAC financial commitments, is posted on the school website. Printed copies are available upon request.

DPAC Report:

A special meeting was held Tuesday, January 17 at 7:00 pm at the Grube with two guest speakers:

Angela Lawrence, the SD Counsellor, talked about the drug/fentanyl/opioid crisis.

Amanda Russett, District Numeracy Coordinator, discussed the "new" math curriculum

Principal's Report to PAC for January 16, 2017

- Please welcome Ms Jo McKenna, Vice Principal, to McGowan
- Enrolment is now up to 390 students!
- Next year's configuration – estimated 17 divisions!
- Parents are invited to a community meeting at the HGEC “Have Your Say on Report Cards” on Monday, Jan. 30, 5 – 8 pm. Ministry of Education.
- Safety – Workplace Environmental Risk and Program Assessment

Principal's Report cont.

- Buddy Bench ordered for installation in the spring,
- Zumba – we just facilitated three days of zumba training for all classes in the school – teachers and students alike loved it
- FSA's – January 9 – February 17 Administered to students in grades 4 & 7
- ProD on January 20 - teachers will work on new revised curriculum implementation
- Many thanks to the PAC for the purchase of the new Chromebook carrier box! Chromebooks are heavily used throughout the school.
- Funding considerations –
 - smartboards or projectors for two new classrooms next year

C. Wickes, Principal

Ongoing Business:

Winter Carnival – Thursday, February 23

Tim Scallon, Carnival Chair: January 10 meeting was very successful with a good turnout. Coordinators have been lined up for various activities but we still need coordinators to head up the fish pond, gym games, decorations and primary games.

Lots of brain storming with new ideas regarding hallway layout, ticket sales, food sales, etc.

More information will be coming soon.

Next carnival planning meeting is Tuesday, January 24 @ 6:30 at McGowan Elementary Library

Next Meeting: Monday, March 6 @ 6:30 in the Library