



McGowan Park PAC
June 14, 2016
McGowan Park Elementary Library

Call to Order @ 6:40

In Attendance: Nadine Hamilton, Gitte Nessman, Joanne Vorpahl, Joanne Etherington , Nichole Rae, Kristin Engelson, Amber Piva, Kira Wood, Cori Wickes

Adoption of Previous Minutes: Gitte motioned, Nadine seconded

Correspondence of Note: A thank you note was received from Mrs. Pawliuk and Mrs. McCaugherty in appreciation for funds received for bus transport to O'Keefe Ranch.

Treasurer's Report: Nichole Rae

Financial highlights for the period May 1st to June 13th are as follows:

- PAC funds this period were directed toward ChromeBooks for use by students, the one-to-one reading program, the cost of a FoodSafe course for the fruit and veggie program coordinator, a portion of primary gymnastics field trip costs, supplies for fundraising programs (Fun Day hot lunch and concession, spring plant sale), and office supplies used by the PAC.
- The PAC executive voted by email to approve funding requested by the school for a Chrome-Books storage cart (\$2,011 + tax).
- General account balance on June 13 was \$10,811, which includes \$9,684 set aside to cover outstanding cheques and other funding commitments previously approved by the PAC, including \$4,600 to be held in reserve for the coming school year. This leaves a balance of \$1,127 in unrestricted funds in the General account, in addition to \$4,600 that will be available at the beginning of the new school year to allow the PAC to respond in a timely manner to funding requests submitted early in the year.
- Gaming account balance on June 13 was \$7,233, which includes \$3,669 set aside to cover outstanding cheques and other funding commitments previously approved by the PAC. This leaves a balance of \$3,563 in unrestricted funds in the Gaming account. Gaming funds must be used to enhance student extracurricular opportunities.
- A complete financial report will be posted on the school website.

- Discussion around Report Cards – Superintendent DeBruijn reported that there will be a change in the way reporting is done. Feedback will be solicited from DPAC, PAC’s and Parents as to what we would like to see in a report card.
- Discussion around new curriculum and when it will be implemented. Next year will be a trial year. The following year it will be implemented

There also was an update on the BCCPAC Conference, please find this information on the DPAC website, as well as other DPAC information

****Next DPAC meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2016 @ 7:00 pm, Henry Grube****

Principal's Report to the PAC

We are close to the end of another successful year for students, staff and families of McGowan Park Elementary. June is action packed with many field trips, culminating academic projects, and social events. Planning is underway for next year and although staff will work together to plan out a rough configuration for classes before the year is out, our school numbers and subsequent configuration won't be finalized until the first or second week of September. It is evident that there has been growth in our school population – we currently have 42 students registered for Kindergarten and will likely increase by a division in September! Stay tuned! We will need to convert the library space into a library/multipurpose music space in the eventuality that the current music room will be needed for a classroom.

Don't forget to check out our school website and facebook page during the summer and contact me directly by email if need be. I will be checking regularly.

Upcoming Important Events:

- June 7, 16, 17 Eureka – times/dates for classes TBA
- June 28 Gr. 7 Evening at TRU
- June 29 Year End Assembly @ 10:30
- June 30 Administration Day for staff

Funding considerations:

- *chrome cart ordered \$2011.26 plus tax
- *library movable shelving looking to build privately if anyone has a suggestion because We need it for September!

Many thanks to the PAC for all your incredible support this school year! I'm looking forward to working with you all and the new executive next year!

Wishing you and your families a safe and happy summer!

C. Wickes, Principal

Ongoing Business:

- Our next movie night is set for June 24 @ 6:00 pm, feature presentation is *Alvin and the Chipmunks – The Road Chip*. Admission is free, candy, popcorn and water is available for \$1

New Business

- Kristin Engleson presented information regarding a Direct Donation Campaign, more information will be available early in the next school year, stay tuned
- Motions were put forth for the following:
 - \$500 for bus to skating, Nichole motioned, all in favour
 - Up to \$100 for the purchase of cakes for grade 7 grad function, Nichole motioned, all in favour
 - \$570.00 to purchase two illuminating micro scopes, Nichole motioned, Joanne E seconded
 - Our Welcome Back BBQ will be Thursday, September 15, 2016
 - There have been a few changes to the PAC Executive:

Nadine Hamilton and Joanne Etherington are both stepping down from their positions on the PAC, these ladies have put countless hours into our school in many capacities and we would like to thank them for all they have done, we'll miss you!

 - Our PAC Executive for 2016/2017 is the following:

Chair – Gitte Nessman
Co-chair – Rebecca Warner, thank you for coming on board, we look forward to working with you!
Treasurer – Nichole Rae
Secretary – Joanne Vorpahl

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Meeting adjourned 8:15

SEE YOU IN THE FALL!