

**McGowan Park PAC**  
**Minutes, December 11, 2012**

**Library**

**Call to order at 1:05**

**In Attendance:** Nadine Hamilton, Joanne Etherington, Willemyn Lonquist, Joanne Vorpahl, Kari Simons, Tammi Rose, Julie Ford, Gloria Hall

**Adoption of previous minutes** – Nadine motioned, Joanne V second

**Treasurer's Report** – Julie Ford presented:

- Gaming account – opening balance in June 2012 was \$1,285.70 plus provincial gaming grant of \$5,420.00 = \$6,705.70. Funds have been committed for parloff ribbons, one to one reading, art club, there is now a current balance of \$120.00
- General account - Current balance of \$5,213.00, with committed funds of \$2,895.82; current balance is \$2,317.00.

**Chairperson report :**

Correspondence of Note: Cari Monteith has resigned as chair of PAC; Julie nominated Nadine to step up to chair position; Wil seconded, all in favour. Julie moved to give Nadine signing authority, Wil seconded. Signing authorities for McGowan Park PAC are now Nadine Hamilton, Julie Ford and Wil Lonquist.

**School Planning Council:**

1. Confirmation of Class Size and Configuration, fees and field trip report was approved at a December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. The schedule for reporting out on our School Improvement Plan has been published. Our turn come in 2014. Our school will have a mid year review with our assistant superintendent Alison Sidow on February 12<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 at 1:00. The members of the School Planning Council are invited.

**DPAC Meeting** – Wil presented DPAC report:

- Wil took part in transportation review regarding school buses. The school board is short about \$300,000 every year with regard to transportation. A few options were presented at school board meeting, perhaps charging courtesy riders( within walking distance of 4 km but take bus anyway). Possibility of charging courtesy riders \$10 per month fee up to maximum of \$20.00 month per family.
- Nov 17 DPAC workshop was poorly attended, approximately 20 people from the entire district were there
- School calendars was discussed – Dr Sullivan recommends 2013/2014 calendar will stay the same, by the end of January would like to have consults with PAC members throughout district regarding possible changes to school calendar.

## **Principal's Report:**

1. **Library Resources:** Ms. Scott has compiled a list of resources to complement our Working It Out Program. Thank you for allocating this.
2. **Christmas Assembly:** Students are getting prepared for the primary singing and strings component. Come ready to sing along to a few favourites.
3. **Report Cards:** First term reports went out smoothly. It is refreshing to be out of the Job Action Environment we were in last year..
4. **Leave:** Joe Small will be filling in for me for 3 weeks in January.
5. **Read With Me:** This program is planned for Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. This is for grade one parents and students.

## **Ongoing Business:**

- hot lunch program – response has been good, next order will be January 30, spa-ghet-ti: The Pasta Place
- Sexual health education – Nadine went to Askable Adult workshop spring 2012 and has implemented sessions to be presented at our school. Nadine has met with Miss Baerg and Ms Christianson regarding presenting sessions in the new year. Sessions would be for grade 6 and 7 students and **all** parents.

## **New business**

- Winter carnival will be February 14, Valentine theme, of course.

**Next PAC meeting Tuesday Jan 29 @ 6:30 in the library.**

**Meeting adjourned @ 2:15**