

Bayside PAC Meeting

Monday, March 22, 2010

7:00 pm

Bayside School

Attendees:

Wendy Seward (Chair of meeting), Nancy Borden , Linda Lightbody, Melanie Murray , Tim Dunford, Eva Jaycox, Jackie Yorelo, Wendy Van Deth, Jennifer Ottewell, Claudia Kazanowski, Mr. Cameron, Stelly's Secondary Career Counsellor (Guest).

Meeting Minutes - Amended

Introduction

Welcome, call to order.
Approval of Agenda.

Review Meeting Minutes

The approval of the minutes was deferred to next meeting.

Correspondence

No new correspondence.

Parent Involvement

Mr. Cameron spoke to the PAC about the upcoming Grade 8 field trip to Camosun College. The trip will be comprised of two 1 hour sessions where the students explore different trades as careers. There is also a tour of the campus. The trip this year coincides with the Skills Canada competition so the students will view some of the competition entries while they are there. Mr. Cameron also talked about the Lync program, which provides high school students with the opportunity to gain Level I certification in some trades while still in high school.

Reports

Co-Chairs, Wendy Seward & Nancy Borden:

Wendy – School Funding: There is a projected \$3 Million budget shortfall and the district is exploring options for how to deal with this. There is a district budget meeting on April 21st (the SPC is usually invited to this) and a public meeting 7pm that same night. There are budget reduction options posted on the district website. There is an interesting discussion paper by Kevin Elder, Superintendent of district #63 on school calendar options on the website. Communication : Anne Powell is holding space for the PAC in the school newsletter to see if we have anything to add after tonight's meeting. Also, do we want to send out emails to the list of people who have given us their email addresses to keep them updated on PAC activities. It was agreed that this was a good idea. Eva Jaycox offered to help keep the website up to date. Wendy S will follow-up with her to see what is needed.

Nancy – School Supply order forms are just about ready to go home. There are only very small reductions from this year. Does the PAC want to keep the fee at \$5? It was decided yes. If parents get them back by April 15th, they will avoid the HST.

Treasurer, Linda Lightbody:

Linda presented the Financial Statements for this month. Also, reported the good news that the Gaming Grant will be restored to the previous rate of \$20 per student. We have not spent \$7,100 of the gaming funds from this year. Ms. Elm should be making a proposal very soon for some of this money. Other ideas for gaming funds were 1) to help

pay for the festival band entry fees (around \$350), or increase field trip money. Jackie Yorelo offered to email the band teachers and urge them to get their funding request in. There was a general discussion about ways to support the band, and **it was moved by Nancy Borden and seconded by Wendy Van Deth and passed unanimously, to offer Tru Value cards (up to \$300 value) to the band program as a fundraiser.** This money to be used for instrument repair and equipment replacement. Wendy S will also email Shirley Elm and ask her to get her funding request to the PAC as soon as possible.

The last Pizza Day raised \$691.50. We used \$130 in Tru Value credits for the beverages.

COPACS:

Jennifer reported that at the last meeting the COPACS voted on a new Constitution and that all executive positions are up for election next year.

School Planning Council:

Tim Dunford – Nothing to report.

CPF Report: No report this month.

Committee Reports

Fundraising – Melany Campbell. No report this month.

Old Business:

a. Grade 8 Farewell – Wendy S reported that she has recruited a number of parents who will be organizing the event. The event will be held on the last Monday before school finishes.

b. Teacher Appreciation Lunch – Date is set for Friday, May 14th.

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next Meeting

Monday, April 19, 2010 at 7:00 pm