

Maple Lane Parent Advisory Council Meeting

Date: 6:00pm Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Location: Maple Lane Library

Attendees:

Executive - Shannon Campbell Scott (Chair), Kim Fraser (Vice Chair), Neal Campbell (Principal), Michael Boetzkes (Treasurer), Cherry Ho (Secretary), Kate Procter (Fundraising Committee)

Guests – Sarah Beirsto, Giselle S, Sanjeet Rana, Emily & Terence Yao, Yvette, Anna Kwan, Jacob

Welcome, Introductions, and call to order – by Chair at 6:04pm

1. **Agenda** – Approved by Kate, seconded by Michael
2. **September 2023 Meeting Minutes** – Approved by Shannon, seconded by Kim

Principal's Report

- **Acknowledgement of First Nations Territories**
- **Family affordability fund:** Provincial funding that will continue this year and will be split into two pools: feeding for snacks and lunches based on family needs and general school supplies needed by students.
- **Parent teacher conferences:** Conferences will take place in the week of October 16. Most teachers use online booking system.
- **Remembrance Day Assessmbly:** November 10.
- **Sports:** Volleyball is on going and games will be arranged.
- **Cross-country run:** The run will take place on October 17.
- **Teacher's wish list:** Items to be considered immediately are volleyball net, headphones for ipad use, fans for classroom. Items to be considered for near future are laptops. currently we have half a set (15 laptops) provided by the district on a three year lease. We would like to have full set of laptops. The PAC will consider funding for 5 laptops a year for estimated total costs of \$6,500. Gaming fund cannot be used for purchase of laptops
- **Additional funds left after the installation of playground:** PAC agreed to use the fund for workshops for students.
- **Saleema Noon Body Science Workshop:** Will need 1.5 days due to increase in students and estimated costs are \$1,400 including taxes. School staff prefer to have the workshop on an annual basis.

- **Pumpkin patch** - No pumpkin run nor pumpkin patches this year.

Chair report

- **Upcoming events**
 - **Winter Wonderland** – Will take place on Saturday, December 16. Total cost is \$711. \$7 per ticket included skate rental and helmet and last two years were just above break even.
 - **Purdy's Fundraiser** – Last day of placing order will be November 26 and chocolate will be ready for pick up in early December. Usually make profit of \$1500 from this fundraising.
 - **Teacher's wish list** – See principal's report
 - **Movie Nights** – tentatively scheduled in January as Ms. Beirsto's movie licenses expired and Shannon is looking for options for movie licenses.
 - **Hot lunch co-ordinator** - Welcoming Anna Kwan to be the new co-ordinator.

Treasurer's Report

- General account – balance at September 30 was \$29,890.70 and will be around \$23,000 after cheques cleared for hot lunches.
- Gaming account – current balance is \$4,478.12. The gaming grant of \$4760 for 2023 was received in October.
- Michael motioned to approve a budget of \$1,400 for Saleema Noon, Kate seconded and all in favor.
- Michael motioned to approve a budget of \$750 for winter wonderland, Shannon seconded and all in favor.
- Shannon motioned to approve a budget of up to \$1,100 for purchase of headsets, kate seconded and all in favor.
- Shannon motioned a budget of up to \$1,100 for purchase of volleyball nets, Kim seconded and all in favor.
- Shannon motioned a budget of up to \$800 for purchase of fans for 11 classroom. Kim seconded and all in favor.

Fundraising

- **Purdy's Chocolates** – see Chair Report
- **Return the bottles:** put the info to WAAG so new parents are aware of the year end account. Will determine whether we will do the return the bottle drive in January.
- **Movie Nights** – see above, spring and summer
- **Spring fling:** need to book partywork early

Roundtable

- Laptops: will find out pricing and vote in November PAC meeting.
- Libby's Kitchen: We concerned about the amount of plastic used and will enquire vendor about their effort in using reusable materials. Currently we keep the delivery for two days a week.

Next PAC meeting: November 15, 2023 6pm In Person

Meeting adjourned: 7:25 pm