

# **Minutes of Westwind Elementary School PAC**

Held in Westwind Elementary School Library, MAY 15, 2019

## **1. Welcome**

Kelly Booth, Chair, welcomed those present. Meeting called to order at 6:07pm.  
Quorum present.

## **2. Approval of minutes of meeting of April 10, 2019.**

- amendment - There will be NO Winter Wonderland next year  
Approved by Shauna no objections

## **3. Reports**

### **3.1 Treasurer's Report**

- is it possible to increase amount for resource teachers (discuss at AGM)
- music program - sent message to Ms. Abrams. Looking for invoices to repair amp.
- DARE - sent in donation of \$500
- we have some extra money for Leadership Program
- scholarship \$250 sent to McMath & London

Motion to approve report - Approved by Shauna, everyone in favour, no objections.

### **3.2 Principal's Report**

- class organization (The school district tells each school how many divisions they will have)
- As of right now, there will be 16 divisions - We don't lose any teachers. This is only if numbers stay the same:
  - 3 -K
  - 2-1
  - 3 - 2/3
  - 2 - 3/4
  - 1 - 4/5
  - 2 - 5/6
  - 3 - 6/7

## **Big Reveal - the new district school schedule**

**8:45 - 8:55 attendance settle**

**8:55-9:50 1st block**

**9:50-10:45**

**10:45-11:00 recess**

**11:00-11:55**

**11:55-12 flex**

**12:00-12:26 play**

**12:26-12:52 eat**

**12:52-1:47**

**1:47-2:42**

**2:42-2:45 flex**

**\*\*within these blocks there will be some flexibility**

- Makes more sense to have a unified schedule

### **Outdoor education**

- kids have done water safe
- 2 kids are not attending
- cost will be about \$160 after pizza money is used
- everyone is excited!!
- Each Admin is going for 1.5 days each
- Ms. Stapleton is retiring and Ms. Yuen will be taking over K.  
    Ms. Jeffery will taking over grade 1  
    Still looking for resource teacher
- Outdoor space is 90% finished. Just looking to put in a garden shed. Hoping to put out an email asking for volunteers to come and water during the summer as there will be no help from the district.
  - 6 weeks to sign up for
  - No ETA on the shed - before the end of school hopefully
  - there will be whiteboards inside the doors
- Apple TVs are almost all installed in classrooms. Teachers are very grateful.
- Highjump mat arrived and is great. Mr. Riddel helped and put it together.
- Upcoming Winter Concert - looking into what to do:
  - drumming
  - hip hop
  - play performance
  - carols
- Ms. Spence is hoping to re-establish some routines in the front office
  - parents - say hello and sign in to the office. If during school hours **MUST** get a visitor tag
  - If dropping off lunch - please leave it at the front table
  - 8:45 class start and parents are to be out of the building.

### **Other Business**

- Can we look into buying rubbermaid as stepping stools for bathrooms - Admin will check with health and safety to see if this is possible
- Is there a possibility to get some netting for the Basketball hoops - maybe chain ones if worried about getting it cut.
  - Maybe get a smaller basketball hoops for little ones
- Look into Anti-Gang educator introducing beat boxing and hip hop (maybe bring in a Spring program)
- Our PAC mins are posted on the website and will for the future only use first names.

### 3.3 Chair Report

- Have been actively recruiting for the PAC - sent out a note to school (printed).

### 3.4 Fundraising Committee

- Movie night brought in \$650 - very successful - less people but more sales of food. Kids had lots of fun. It went very smooth and was a great money maker but also a good community building event.
- Next year planning on an Adult paint night with Namita (our liquor license can be used for this kind of event)
- Mother's Day event was so fun and a big success. It was a lot of work but so much fun. Raised \$1,000. Great swag bags.
- Spring Bundle went well. Purdy's wasn't as popular but the meat sales was large with \$500.
- Planning on doing another pub night at the start of next year but earlier than last year.
- Thinking about doing a September bbq as a community builder. Still trying to figure things out.

#### **Parent Education - Laura Grant's message**

- We had a good year for Parent Education. We brought in a guest speaker who is the creator for iKid, from the Saleema Noon company. She touched on developing self confidence and discovering your true self and dealing with friendship troubles. We also had a joint Parent Education night with Homma and Byng. Safe Schools presented on internet safety and how everything you post is like a digital tattoo (permanent) and how the internet can be used for good or bad (help gain employment or lose employment). I have been approached by a parent who would like to present about permanent life insurance for your children in the fall (for free). Would like feedback on going ahead with the iKid/igirl/iboy program next year. Also if we are interested in having the life insurance financial planner (a parent at the school) speak about permanent life insurance for kids in the fall.

#### **Food Day**

- hoping to continue with Fuel Catering but have Sushi day every 3 weeks instead of every 4 weeks as it is so popular
- Asked Ms. Latu if we can add helpers to the Leadership program so that every Monday grade 5, 6 & 7 can sign up to help bag and deliver lunches.

#### **Games Day**

- will most likely not continue for next year as we cannot get volunteers. The coordinators will try and start it up but if they cannot get at least 3 people to help each time, it will have to fold.

#### **Lend a Hand club**

- Judie would like to start it up again next year
  - meet every 2nd Tuesday

- get the grade 4-7 involved into community fundraising (RAPS)
  - warm clothing drive for DTES
  - bake sale
- Judie will ask for a Sponsor Teacher (Ms. Lum has done it before)

**4 Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm - Hanif - motion to adjourn. All in favour.**

**Next meeting is scheduled for the beginning of the 2019/2020 school year.**

Any general questions/concerns can be directed to [westwindpacchair@live.com](mailto:westwindpacchair@live.com)