

## SULLIVAN ELEMENTARY PAC GENERAL MEETING

JANUARY 23, 2017

D R A F T – FOR APPROVAL AT FEB MEETING

In attendance: Heather Brown, President, Marle Prasad, Vice President, Jen Robbins, Secretary Elaine Rorison, Amy Lucrezi, Stacey Blondheim, Ingrid Dobrowolsky, Parvin Borhani, Julie Desy, Harjeet Gill, Manj Bunwait, Sindy Saran, Jennifer Bay

### 1. Minutes Stacy 1st, Jen 2nd

- Addition to the agenda - Donation to Haines family from PAC. Shelly Haines, a parent at the school who lost her daughter in 2013 going for cancer treatment. Her husband is taking time off work to take care of family. Should the PAC give the family an amount as a “We’re thinking of you” gesture? Pay for the parking?
  - Have we given before?
    - Provided/participated in remembrance when Evan MacNamara’s father passed
    - There have been other injuries/illnesses we have not directly acknowledged - that we know about
    - Many people are private and perhaps we don’t know all who are currently going through anything.
    - Sets a precedent
  - If we do want to give, what is a reasonable amount from PAC?
  - There is a GoFundMe that is very successful and other opportunities and avenues to contribute to the family’s need
  - Need to consider and recognize - this is money that was raised for the students of the school and there is a certain amount of care that needs to be taken with those funds and keeping them for what they were intended for to support students.
- **It was decided to send a card on behalf of PAC -Marle will pick up a card and leave at the office for people to sign.**

2. Popcorn machine has been not functioning well, Jen Bay had a repairman popcorn guy who fixed it for \$150.

### 3. After school movie

- Last PAC Meeting it was suggested and supported by everyone that pizza be sold along with the ticket. This is a lot of work and given that it is directly after school it isn’t really necessary. We will continue to offer the ticket and snack combo. (approximately 70% of tickets are sold online, 30% at the door)
- Dana & Marle checking on movie licensing for schools

4. Rats - There are visible rats in Ms. Succamore’s class.They are going up in the corner comes through ventilation. Unfortunately rats are a problem in older schools. All staff are able

to do are pick up feces and remove, the children are still sitting on and using carpets in the classroom. Traps have been set but we are not allowed to use poison in schools, so there are limits to what can be done. It was also mentioned Pepper the cat should not be in the school either.

It was suggested that there is too much stuff in some rooms, would like to see some things removed. Have been able to have carpet removed from Kindergarten classes, Dana has put in a grant request to have the carpets removed from entire school.

- St. John's Ambulance First Aid course - considering offering to to grade 5+ and parents as well. April 3/10 possible dates. It would be 3 hours probably 530-830. Marle will post cost.
- Wizard of Oz shirts - circulated chosen shirts to offer the students. They will be sold online just like spirit wear \$12-\$14 putting on website by Wednesday. Will be videotaped by Declan and sell DVD's.
- Craft Fair - So far no one has stepped up to take over the Craft Fair. Vendors typically booked in May, but we are not going to book vendors if we don't have anyone to take it on. Hall is booked and we will keep it booked.
  - Were there any new volunteers at recent meetings - multicultural day, etc?
  - How can we involve new parents and new volunteers?
  - Keep asking people, Heather to talk to a few people, offer a time that works, suggest people bring a friend
  - Concession is handled by Grade 7's
- Spirit Night - Sullivan Spirit Night with barbecue, food, etc. Harjeet hasn't had anyone step up to take over. Stays with same budget, silent auction & cupcakes are big sellers. Renting bouncy castles, inflatables - using Partyworks - Sindy will check into inflatables vendors. Kirsty owns food.
- Scholastic - MRs. Downs is responsible for book fair. Previous librarian did not want to do the book fair and PAC was approached to run it and STacy volunteered; new librarian has taken responsibility. Timing is tight and it is next week with a volunteer sheet already posted that we need to circulate some more.
- Grouse - was voted and agree to give additional \$10/student on top of \$15 that was approved. Should we give \$10/more per child for other divisions - it seems that would keep it fair and equal. It would be 2 ½ divisions to provide to. Need to decide if this is an activity or an allotted amount per student for field trips. **It was decided that this is an activity and a one-off request and at this time will not be extending allotment to all students.**
- Budget review - great new format

Principal's Update

- Crossing Guard - observations were made and a new crossing guard is reinstated
- District Forum - presentations for all
  - Amy, Ingrid & Jen to join Dana.
- Sports - Mr Mullen & Mr Becker coaching basketball teams,
- Chinese new year celebration 1:45 on Friday
- For multicultural day - list should include classes. Good to see what divisions are participating
  - Bhangra dancers already booked
- Art Starts - great presentation
- New school supplies company - Previously have been using Staples has not been great as we must have parent help to assemble. Agree to try this new company as packages arrive already assembled.
- Canada wide anti-bullying day - Feb. 22
  - Not doing shirts this year
- Motion to close - So moved by Amy, 2nd by Manj