

MINUTES

Peachland PAC Meeting

Date: December 14, 2018– 8:50 am | *Meeting called to order by:* Sam Theriault
Meeting adjourned 10:30 am

In Attendance

Sam Theriault – President	<u>Parents</u>
Kristen Friesen – Vice President, <i>sends her regrets</i>	Emma Webber
Leath Strench – Treasurer	Amy Grundy
Shawna Quinn – Secretary	Melissa Grant
Moyra Baxter – School Trustee	Sherri Olsen
Ross Hett – Principal	

Farm Bag Fundraiser

Our Farm Bag Fundraiser completed its final month and was well received. Total profits amounted to approximately \$610 dollars. Thank you to Alex Goodale for facilitating this initiative.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair was again a great success, with approximately \$1000 in profits raised to benefit the school library, and proceeds going to books and product.

DeVry Greenhouses Poinsettia Fundraiser

This year our poinsettia fundraiser brought in approximately \$400 in profits. This fundraiser continues to be important for our school, as the District uses the poinsettias for their holiday event.

Teacher's Appreciation Lunch

Today the PAC will host a Teacher's Appreciation Lunch for the staff. Dragon Lotus Chinese restaurant, and specifically Sam, the owner, are catering the lunch. Some of the plates are donated on behalf of the restaurant. Additional funds need approval for the event. Due to requests from the staff, the event changed from tea and baked goods to a lunch. It was suggested that the PAC use new avenues of communication to ensure that all volunteers are aware of any changes, and a discussion made to find someone to take on a leadership role in regards to managing the Facebook page as a means of consistent, clear communication.

Sam made a motion to **approve and additional \$100 for the Teacher's Appreciation Lunch.**

First: Shawna Quinn

Second: Leath Strench

Artist in Residence

This year Peachland Elementary has been given the opportunity to host an Artist in Residence to support the school's Arts program. This artist will focus on drama and will be working with the students in April.

Sam made a motion to **approve \$600 for the Artist in Residence program.**

First: Leath Strench

Second: Shawna Quinn

Year End Carnival

A meeting has been set for January 11, 2019 to organize a planning committee for this year's Year End Carnival. In order to ensure it has the proper support, it was suggested that 4-6 committee members are necessary to facilitate the event. Silent Auction baskets have been previously overseen by Amy Grundy and have been a popular and successful fundraising initiative. Hotlunches.net may be used as a forum/information platform for the event, as well as the possibility of pre-sales on punch cards. More brainstorming will be done in January.

Playground Fundraising & Grant Committee Update

Letters of request for support from local service groups have been written and are to be delivered by Sam to some representatives in various organizations. A letter of request is to be sent to Moyra Baxter directly to take to the Rotary Club.

Hot Lunches Committee Update

The PAC Hot Lunch online ordering system has now been implemented and 110 parents have signed up online so far. Only 12 orders were paid in cash on Hot Lunch day this past week, with the expectation that cash payments will continue to decrease as the system becomes more familiar.

Leath made a motion to **approve all Hot Lunch proceeds to go toward playground funding.**

First: Amy Grundy

Second: Shawna Quinn

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report, accepted. With recent events concerning the accountability of local PAC Treasuries, discussions were made regarding ensuring the transparency of record-keeping and financial activities. Shawna has been added on as an additional signer, and all reporting and counts will have two signees moving forward. COPAC offers a PAC Treasurer's course which educates members on safe guards to the process. Suggestions were made to review relevant constitutional bylaws.

Trustee's Report

The School District has approved Late French Immersion programs that will be implemented in several schools throughout the district, including Glenrosa Middle School. These programs will begin at Grade 4 and Grade 6 levels. Information nights are being held for parents in January.

Principal's Report

The Leader in Me training session at Anne McClymont School in Kelowna will take place on January 14th and 15th. Leath Strench, Amy Grundy, Cheryl Smith and Shawna Quinn have confirmed their interest in attending. A Student Lighthouse Leadership Team is being created in the school to help sustain the school culture during periods of change, and will need support from the school team as well as parents. The school is working on building a more collaborative community work culture, focused on the contribution and engagement of students. The District has also approved a "refresh" in technology at the school, with new computers arriving in January and possible additional support for our Maker Space.

Hip Hop Class

The suggestion was made to bring in a Hip Hop Dance workshop, as in previous years, to take place in February. The workshop takes place over 2 weeks. Dates will need to be coordinated.

Sam made a motion to **approve \$600 from the Gaming account to go toward the Hip Hop Workshop.**

First: Amy Grundy

Second: Sherri Olsen

Executive Positions and Participation

PAC Executive positions are open including the position of President. Parties can express their interest or inquiries to the PAC Executive. All parents need to be made aware of the inclusivity of the group. Suggestions were made to host a "Ladies Night" to get other parents involved and to reduce the misunderstandings related to involvement opportunities.

Communications

Internal and external communications need to be improved and more consistent. Suggestions were made to make better use of the Facebook PAC page, as well as hotlunches.net software.

Next Meeting Date

Friday February 8, 2018