

MORFEE ELEMENTARY PAC MEETING

Morfée PAC Minutes

DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2017

Meeting Called to Order: 6:10 pm

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:09 PM

Minutes taken by: Daina French

PERSONS PRESENT: CHRISTA BARNES, MICHELE WALTERS, SHANNON PRIDE, MARGARET NORTHCOTT, SHUIROSE VALIMOHAMED, LEANNE SCRASE, SHARON DUGAN, DAINA FRENCH, MISS OLSON, DONYA SMITH-POWELL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by: Margaret Northcott

Seconded by: Shuirose Valimohamed

Carried

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions to the agenda were radio ads for the Raffle Baskets, and new days for PAC meetings.

Agenda was approved as amended.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

1. Nominations: Chair

Shuirose Valimohamed was self-nominated and won by acclamation. Shuirose accepted the position of Chair.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Raffle Basket

- With the license that we acquired, kids can purchase tickets. They will be sold for \$1 each.
- Sharon Dugan will create a notice for parents to send money with the students for tickets.
- PAC will cover the cost for each student to receive one free ticket.
- Shuirose Valimohamed volunteered to run ticket sales for the week if no other volunteers stepped forward.

2. Open House event - March 7, 6 – 9 PM

This will be a meet-and-greet social event where information about PAC and its programs will be available to parents. It is a good opportunity for parents to come meet the team and ask questions without feeling

the pressure of a meeting. It was agreed that a free raffle ticket will be given to each attendee. There will be a doorprize, snacks, beverages, and program information at the event.

- Margaret Northcott: doorprize
- Sharon Dugan: flyers & possibly treats
- Leanne Scrase: muffins
- Daina French: committee brochures
- Shuirose Valimohamed: beverages

3. Parent Advocacy Group

Mrs. Barnes needs more information presented about this initiative before she can bring it forth to her people. PAC, as a whole, needs to decide if this is wanted and/or needed and what it would look like.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: CHRISTA BARNES

1. A huge thank you to PAC and all the parent volunteers. Congratulations to the participants and staff who made the science fair a success. Thank you to all of the community judges and Ms. Walters for organizing it.
2. The Middle Years Program is moving forward. The timeline is:
 - Feb 14-28 – Advertise and accept applications for Mackenzie Middle Years Advisory Committee.
 - SD57 Facility Services visited MSS to develop renovation plans the week of February 14.
 - Feb 27 – Cindy Heitman, District Principal fo Learning Innovations, to visit Mackenzie and host a staff information session, as well as a public information session and tour of the facility for parents.
 - March 3 – Advisory Committee to be formed.
 - The Advisory Committee will be traveling to School District 91 to visit another Middle Year Program in the month of March.
 - March 1 – Grade 6/7 Year-End Celebration Parent and Student meeting
 - April 25 & 26 – Nancy Doda, Middle Years Consultant, to visit Mackenzie.
3. Learning Series – “Learning to Use Tools” took place this afternoon. It was a workshop for teachers from our Trades department.
4. Communication Student Learning – By April 30, all students will have another written “report” go home and placed in their file. Some primary teachers are trying student-led conferences on the Primary report writing day.
5. Staff postings – We are looking for applicants for three new full-time teaching positions for Mackenzie.
 - TTOC contract,
 - Team teaching learning support, and
 - ADST learning support, prep and high school learning assistance.
6. There have been some issues with the flow of traffic in the school parking lot. Morning and after school drop-off parents are stopping in bus lanes and in the middle of the parking lot which is hazardous and stressful for other drivers. Parking and then walking your child up to the doors, or parking near one of the sidewalk entrances would help. There will be more police presence during pick-up and drop-off times.
7. Science Olympics – five students from Morfee Elementary School and ten students from Mackenzie Secondary School will be travelling to Edmonton to compete in the Science Olympic March 3 & 4. Ms. Schroeder & Mr. Hogg are accompanying the students along with parent volunteers.

TEACHER'S REPORT: MS OLSON

Student-led conferences are being held for some primaries during the report card writing day (Feb 24).

TREASURER'S REPORT: MARGARET NORTHCOTT

The Hot Lunch program did a Subway lunch, which brought in \$1,283.20.

The cheque from the last Purdy's orders had to be sent back because it was made out to 'Morfee School'. A new cheque will be issued.

Approval of Treasurer's report
Moved by: Sharon Dugan
Seconded by: Shuirose Valimohamed
Carried

REPORT

PAC Account Balance \$7,854.01
Gaming Account Balance \$4,830.37

REQUESTS

- Mackenzie Secondary requested \$250 for a bursary.
- Ms. Schroeder & Mr. Hogg (MSS) requested a \$500 donation for Science Olympics. The full amount was agreed to because this is the first time the team has went to Edmonton.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: DAINA FRENCH

A new email has been created specifically for PAC: morfeepac@gmail.com
This provides a simple method of contact for parents and all PAC members. Questions, ideas, suggestions, etc. can be sent to the email where it will be forwarded to the appropriate contact for action. Christa Barnes will look at having it added to the school's website.

DPAC REPORT: ALICE PEC

- No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Radio Ads – Raffle Baskets

We need more advertisements for the raffle baskets to generate more awareness. Shuirose Valimohamed will email some ads to CHMM for the raffle baskets.

2. PAC meeting days

It was agreed that PAC meetings will now be held the second Monday of every month. The March meeting will be held on the 6th of March due to Spring Break.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

1. **Purdy's Campaign:** Margaret Northcott: Books are out for the new campaign. Orders are due back March 8, 2017.
2. **Boston Pizza Stamp Collection:** Megan Brumovsky is willing to train anyone interested in running this program.
3. **Christmas Raffle Basket:** See Old Business

PAC FUNDED PROGRAMS

1. **Milk Program:** No report.
2. **Snack Day/Hot Lunch Program:** Daina French: There will be a pizza lunch on March 8; orders are due March 1.
3. **Fruit and Vegetable Program:** No report.
4. **Paper Recycling:** No report.
5. **Movie Night:** Interest was expressed in hosting a movie night. Different possibilities were discussed to make it less challenging for anyone interested in taking on this role.
6. **PAC board:** No report.
7. **Staff Snack Box:** Snack box is empty. Sharon Dugan will fill it.
8. **PAC Newsletter:** Daina French: Will start on the next newsletter after Spring Break.
9. **Lego Club:** Margaret Northcott: No report.
10. **Christmas Store:** No report.
11. **Babysitting:** Daina French: CNC is offering a Red Cross babysitting course March 11 & 18. Registrations are due March 3. Must be 11 years old by April 15.
12. **Spring Carnival:** Christa Barnes: Will confirm if anything has been planned for the week before Spring Break.
13. **Communication:** Daina French: New PAC email is now operational: morfeepac@gmail.com

Upcoming meetings: The next scheduled meeting March 6, 2017 at 6:00 pm.