

# **MEETING MINUTES**

## **SOUTH RUTLAND ELEMENTARY PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Thursday, January 18th, 2018 @ 6:45 pm  
Meeting called to order by Cherylee Morrison

### **ATTENDANCE**

Sally McLaren	Julie Thibert	Cherylee Morrison	Jolene Tregilges
Shasta Scott	Elya Martinson	Trever Leskie	

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Agenda amendments - minutes to adopt are from November 9th, 2017.

Jolene T. made the motion to adopt the amended January 18th, 2018 agenda. Julie T. seconded.  
All in favour.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Amendments to November 9th, 2017 minutes - under OTHER BUSINESS, school garden, the curriculum is suitable for Kindergarten and up.

Elya M. made the motion to adopt the amended November 9th, 2017 minutes. Sally M. seconded.  
All in favour.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CHERYLEE MORRISON**

- A) Parent's registered with the School District received an invite via email to the Rutland Inquiry and Innovation Forum on January 30th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. The purpose of the community forum is to authentically engage Rutland area parents in their child's education through the opportunity to learn, ask questions and provide feedback regarding:
  - the Redesigned Curriculum
  - the inquiry process (Spirals of Inquiry) and the School Community Learning Plan
  - the OECD 7 Principles of Learning and the Innovative Learning Environment Project
  - the District's plan for Communicating Student LearningThe Inquiry and Innovation Forum will provide opportunities for Rutland parents and students to interact with school teams from each of the eleven Rutland schools through interactive learning activities that highlight a learning focus at each school.
  
- B) The Parent's Involvement - PAC Board will be redone, it is currently outside of the PAC Kitchen. Discussed a different location if possible, more prominent for parents, by the entrance was suggested if possible.

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: TREVOR LESKIE FOR TONI KORYAKUSS

- A) Christmas Dance was a success, it was \$50 for the person who was Santa. There were a lot of drinks and glow sticks leftover and we made a profit.
- B) The Giving Forest collected 3 boxes of household donations and \$41 in cash.
- C) We tried a new way of doing Secret Santa this year, it wasn't as successful. Instead of handing them out every day, we handed out the candy canes on the last day, we will go back to the usual way next year.
- D) Toni will be stocking the PAC Kitchen with disposable clothes and cleaning supplies etc.
- E) The PAC will be selling popcorn until April 1st, when the Grade 5's will take over for their fundraising.

## COPAC REPORT: CHERYLEE MORRISON

- A) There is a Parent Education Night January 22nd from 7pm to 9pm about early years partnerships and outdoor play.
- B) The COPAC is asking parent's what kind of topics they'd like to learn more about, upcoming sessions include Internet Awareness and safety talks. Email Cherylee with ideas.

## TREASURER'S REPORT: TREVOR LESKIE FOR ANDREA BLANCHARD

Full report presented, totals are as of January 18th, 2018. SRE PAC gaming account \$3,139.14 (includes the COBSS Bursaries for this year 2x \$500) SRE PAC general account \$8,752.58, Grade 5 Account \$2,988.66 (\$700 was a late deposit from last year)

### Profit & Loss 2017-2018

	Income	Expense	Total
Hot Lunch	2512.6	-1629.77	882.83
Treat Days	802.7	-68.21	734.49
Movie Nights	539.55	-120.39	419.16
Christmas Dance	748.8	-617.83	130.97
Raffle – Christmas	1352.5	-151.47	1201.03
Grade 5 Poinsettia	887	-675.74	211.26

Budget was not approved as presented at this meeting, see note.

**NOTE:** There were some questions as to why the Grade 5 amount dropped by \$388.74 from November's amount. Toni K. clarified by email: The end of last school year's report was miscalculated, this was just figured it out in this school year, November 2017. The field trip from last school year for the grade fives to go tubing had been put as a PAC expense by accident not a grade 5, so the adjustments were made and reflected in January 2018 report.

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: MARK WATSON**

**School News:** Our Grade 4 & 5 basketball team has started practicing. Games begin next week, need jersey's for players. Our morning reading program has started up again and will run for the next 3 weeks. Our grade 5's will be a lead story in the next edition of "Together We Learn" for their work on their book. They have received a lot of coverage.

**After school pick-up and drop-off:** Please remind parents to wait outside during pick-up and drop-off and to please park on the road.

**Technology:** 12 ipads and 20 chromebooks have arrived in the school and are now in use. We have also purchased Lego Robotics kits and the Grade 3's are learning them first.

There will be a professional, White Hatter, presenting for the district in the spring on internet safety. Do we want him to come into our school to present to the Grade 4 & 5's and or present to parents. It's \$600 - \$670 if we partner with another school.

**Learning Grant:** We are updating reading resources and purchased the Lego Robotics, there is approximately \$12,000 left to spend. Proposing to spend \$1,000 to upgrade P.E. equipment as it is above what regular budget allows.

**Staffing:** Welcome to Cathy Swabey our new teacher-librarian. Kristi Holm has taken over the Grade 2 class. Ashley Pucci is pleased to announce the birth of her son Brooks Lucio Pucci.

At the Rutland Inquiry and Innovation Forum the Grade 3's will be talking about the Lego Robotics and the Grade 5's their book. There will be kid's manning stations at the forum. We are doing good things with our students and we are proud of them.

There is Early Dismissal January 25th & 26th for Student Led Parent-Teacher conferences.

There was a question about the school changing to Filtered Water stations, if this were to happen it'd be done by the School District.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**HOT LUNCH - Elya M.:** Everything is set up for paying online for Hot Lunches. Need help with buying food for Hot Lunches from Costco & Independent Grocery. Jolene T. volunteered to do it. If anyone has any other ideas of suppliers to approach or has a connection please let Elya know. We added Yamatos, Boston Pizza was a one time deal.

**FUNDRAISING - Shasta S.:** Have been looking into other ideas for fundraisers, things to try selling. QSP has a variety of things to chose from. Purdy's Chocolates could do for Easter possibly, need to sell a minimum \$400, we receive 25% back. There are also grocery store gift cards and movie tickets fundraising opportunities.

We have two movie nights coming up.

Secret Santa: Didn't like the way it has been done in the past, if some kids don't receive one until the end of the week, there are hurt feelings etc. Tried it differently this year, they weren't handed out until the end of the week and it didn't make a lot of money.

The PAC won't be doing Secret Cupid for the same reason, can find another fundraiser if required.

GRADE 5 FUNDRAISING - Trevor L.: The poinsettia sales didn't go as expected, will still be going ahead with Mother's Day baskets from Bylands in the spring.

Need Grade 5's parent contact information and to raise interest for participation.

Grade 5's will be doing a Bottle Drive the week after the May long weekend as a fundraiser.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Request for Funds:** Ms. Heibert requested \$110 to take both Kindergarten classes to the museum, January 19th, plus bus cost. Ms. Miles and Mr. Peters are requesting \$155 (\$5 a student) to take Grade 5's to the Law Courts & Museum, March 15th.

Ms. Miles & Mr. Peters are requesting \$496 (\$16 per student) from the PAC for their winter sport. Looking into doing Snowshoeing with instruction at the MorningStar Camp in Glenrosa, plus bus cost. (is about the same as it cost to go tubing)

Mr. Nichols is requesting busing costs, \$600 estimate, be covered for February 16th field trip to Kelowna Museum to explore First Nations Artifacts & stories.

\$1,361 total being requested from the PAC.

Motion to accept request for funds by Jolene T. seconded by Elya M. All in favour, Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2018 @ 6:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn (8:10 p.m.)