

W.L. McLeod PAC Meeting: February 10, 2020 at 6:30pm

In attendance: Mandi Davidson, Libby Hart, Anna Manwaring, Paula Wylie, Dannilee Martinen, and Heidi Tanninen.

1. Call to Order - **6:35 PM**
2. Quorum of Membership - **NO**
3. Introductions and Explanation about PAC: **N/A**
4. Review of last meeting minutes:
Accepted as read: Mandi Davidson,
Seconded: Anna Manwaring.
All in favour.
5. Review of meeting agenda:
Accepted as revised: Anna Manwaring,
Seconded: Mandi Davidson.
All in favour.
6. Executive Reports:
 - a. **Chair's Report:**
 - i. She has not yet been in contact with the district. She will be calling in to ask about the intersection situation later this week.
 - ii. She will be looking into applying for the President's Choice Phase 2 grant to go towards new kitchen equipment. Libby informed us that our application for the phase 1 grant somehow did not go through last time, but will be getting submitted again in May. We will be able to apply for the phase 2 grant after that.
 - iii. Heidi has contacted Tara (Little Green Thumb Greenhouse) about the trees. See old business for more information on this.
 - b. **Vice-Chair's Report:**
 - i. Spoke to April about the kitchen expansion and phase 2 President's Choice grant.
 - ii. Did a mental health first aid course on the weekend. They also do one for adolescent mental first aid, she is looking into teaming up with DPAC to do this one.
 - iii. Attended the child advocacy presentation. The presentation focussed more on disciplinary methods of advocacy rather than the early steps of advocating for your child, which the DPAC was hoping for.
 - iv. Attended ski skool with the grade 3s. She was in Richard's group this time. Went great. It might be nice to do up a thank you card for the people who run ski skool.
 - v. Planning on going skiing with the grade 4 students this week.
 - vi. DPAC had a teleconference meeting on February 6th. The DPAC annual general meeting will be April 23rd at FLESS. They need more

participants and will be supplying a meal for anyone wanting to come to the AGM.

- vii. Meeting with Anne Cooper this week regarding the French Immersion review.

c. **Secretary's Report:**

- i. Completed the PAC meeting minutes and prepared the agenda.
- ii. E-mailed January's meeting minutes to Libby for posting to the website.
- iii. Attended the Child Advocacy Presentation. It was a great presentation, lots of useful information presented. Agreed with Mandi that it was not focussed on the early steps of advocating for your child, but did find for what he did focus his information on, he was very informative. Dannilee brought along a printout of the slides for anyone who may not have seen them yet to look at if interested.
- iv. Have been making up cards to give out with the teacher money on February 14th. Going with a "we love our teachers" theme for these cards as they will be handed out Valentine's Day.

d. **Treasurer's Report:**

Farm to School - \$10,879.42

- i. Just the basic activity in this account for wages, groceries, and supplies.
- ii. Deposit done today, which is not included in this report.

PAC - \$7,391.73

- i. Nothing much occurring this past month for this account.

Gaming - \$16,502.67

- i. Not a lot of activity this month on this account either.

- i. Contacted Autism BC regarding the seminar. See old business for more information on this.

e. **Principal's Report:**

- i. Going out to dinner Wednesday night with Anne Cooper to discuss the french immersion review.
- ii. Science fair happening tomorrow. District science fair is next week.
- iii. Friday is red/pink day as well as 100s day.
- iv. On March 6th, report cards will be going out. March 17th will be student led conferences.
- v. Basketball Play Day is on March 12th.
- vi. We were not able to book another ski day for both grades as discussed during the last meeting, so we will be getting refunded for this.
- vii. Grade 2s and 4s will be going cross country skiing this Thursday.
- viii. Cougars game is this weekend. Some students have been working on making up big banners/signs to bring to the game to show our Proud to be McLeod spirit!

- ix. Kindergarten registration starts March 16th. We have already had a few calls for this.

f. **Vice-Principal's Report:**

- i. Absent.

7. OLD Business:

- a. Seminar on Autism Spectrum - April is Autism awareness month so we wanted to do this seminar in April. Autism BC cost is \$500 for them to do a 2.5-3 hour workshop plus travel and accommodation costs. Paula has booked Corey from PG to come on April 27th. It is nice that he will have a local perspective and resources rather than booking someone in from the Vancouver area. Fort St. James has also stated that they would be interested in doing a day for this as well.
- b. PAC Message Board - Anna talked to Wayne Funk (Streamline Signs), maintenance, and Libby and came up with a plan for this. We will be getting 2 - 8 foot signs to go along the side wall of the school. We are still looking into what would be best to use to cover the board so letters will not be moved around or removed. Anna did up an estimate of \$1,118 which does not include maintenance fees for installing, lights above, and a security cover. Anna will do up a facebook post for voting for this.
- c. Fun Run - Wanda contacted Fort St. James to check whether or not they would be willing to let us do it this year, they chose to keep it again this year.
- d. Trees - Heidi has contacted Tara (Little Green Thumb Greenhouse) about the trees. Tara suggested that we go not as large as discussed because they don't transplant as well. Heidi will contact her again this week.
- e. Pink Shirt Day - February 26th. "All You Need is Love" book is making good progress. Voting for the cover page is in the works. It has been narrowed down to 10 so far. It will be possible to include a couple of the runner ups within the book to fill in some missing pages. Classroom pages are due in on Thursday. Anna contacted the bakery and has ordered the cookies. They will be square with pink t-shirts drawn on them and "2020" written. They will be \$350.
- f. Growing Smiles Fundraiser - Anne applied early, which will also put us in for a draw to win an additional \$500 through them. Info packets should be in soon, so that we can get the fundraiser prepped and handed out.
- g. Colibri Fundraiser - Just completed. Orders were due back on February 3rd. We made \$874 from this fundraiser. It went great. Will be a good one to do again.

8. NEW Business:

- a. Grade 6 Trip - We have 45 grade 6s this year. It would be good to do the same as we did last year. Pool, pizza, and cake. This went well and the kids really enjoyed it. We will include this in the next meeting agenda to discuss.
- b. End of Year Barbeque - June 23rd. It would be good to do hot dogs and watermelon. No fundraiser needed this year, but it was discussed that maybe we do a ticket draw where each student receives 1 ticket and gets entered in for a prize. It was also suggested that maybe we could see about getting some local donated items to be prizes for this. We will plan to discuss this again at the next meeting.
- c. French Immersion Meeting with Anne Cooper - Mandi, Paula, and Michelle will be attending this meeting on Thursday. Anne emailed them questions to look at and reflect on ahead of time. She has also emailed us the phase 1 report for this review.
- d. Technology/Videography - We made up a Facebook chat group for PAC Media purposes this past month. Mandi discussed whether or not we should be doing a new email account for this purpose, or whether we should be making a new position on the PAC board for media purposes (and giving them access to the PAC main email). It was decided to leave things as is for now, and have the media person just email digital files to the PAC email and Dannilee will distribute/add them to the PAC drive from there.
- e. Carnaval Week - We have passed on doing this for the past couple of years and included other cultural events for the school instead (drumming workshop, Group Vazzy workshop, etc). Libby is going to look into doing maple taffy and snow sculptures one day instead this year.

Adjourned: 7:34 PM

Next Meeting: March 9, 2020 at 6:30PM