

Parkland Parent Advisory Council Minutes
Regular Monthly Meeting: November 6, 2013
Parkland Elementary School

Meeting called to order: at 6:00pm by Kristy Wallace

Attending: Amanda Roberts, Kristy Wallace, Betty Kirtzinger, Marisa Kemp, Michelle Alix, and Amanda Stafford.

Last Meeting's Minutes: read by Amanda Stafford

Marisa made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Betty. Carried

Principal's Report: given by Amanda Roberts

- Board Highlights (see notes)
- Trust Balance is \$3586
- Exhibition on Thursday, November 21.
- Cheque for t-shirts, they still haven't received it.
- Country Christmas Celebration: Will the PAC pay for the food and the sleigh? The PAC has agreed to take care of doing the food again this year. Betty made a motion for the PAC to pay for the sleigh as well as the food. It was seconded by Amanda S. Carried
- Primary Literacy Project
- Upcoming Events
- Cold treats: once they current supply is finished, cold treats will be switched to a cookie
- Preschool: All teachers working in the school need to have a "staff" criminal record check filed. Once it has been filed, preschool will be able to start operating.
- Breakfast Clubs of Canada will only be giving \$3500 to feed every child in the school breakfast, every day for the whole year. This is obviously not enough money. Amanda R will talk to Encana about a donation to support the program.
- Teacher Absenteeism: A parent brought to Amanda R's attention that the teachers seem to be absent a lot. So far this year it has been due to training and meetings. It may seem as though Brenda and Karen are away, when in fact they are overseeing student-teachers in their classrooms. Amanda R is going to make up a list of future staff absences, and post it's availability in the newsletter for those parents who would like to know when there is a sub scheduled in a class.

Treasurer's Report: given by Betty Kirtzinger

- Regular account balance: \$34.45

- Gaming account balance: \$ 1307.76
- High Interest Savings account balance: \$ 17 200.37
- Plan 24 and regular have been combined.
- We're not getting gaming money this year. The application was overlooked.

Old Business

- Preschool: This was discussed in the principals' report.
- Fundraiser: M & M Meats fundraiser- we will get 15% of all sales. M & M Meats staff will come to the school and stay for 2 hours to hand out product and collect money. Kristie will organize the book and get the packages together for all the families in the school. We will also include the Epicure fundraising package with it.
- Breakfast Club Program: This was discussed in the principals' report.
- Kitchen: can we consider re-planning where the kitchen will be built? Possibly in the early learning room. StrongStart and Preschool may have to relocate to the K-1-2 room. Maybe the teachers would be willing to write a letter to the board encouraging a kitchen large enough to teach a class in. Amanda R recommended speaking to Karen about this, as she is the teacher rep for the school.

New Business

- Spring Dance and Silent Auction: we will not be having one, but will be doing a movie instead.
- Country Christmas: Should the PAC do a small fundraiser raffle during the evening? We can possibly do a twoonie auction for a Christmas wreath and/or poinsettia.

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:00 by Kristy Wallace

Next Meeting: December 4th, 6:00pm at Parkland Elementary