

Ocean Grove P.A.C. Meeting Minutes October 21/13

Attendance: Tara Idiens, Stephanie Toner, Andrea Laviolette, Tami Riecker

Minutes from September 23/13 meeting were accepted by Stephanie and seconded by Andrea.

Treasurer's Report was provided by Aren Knudsen (who was not present at the meeting). Trial balance attached.

General Account Balance as of October 21/13-18,026.72

Bingo Account Balance as of Sept. 24/12: \$2, 033.38

Total Funds Available: \$20, 060.01

Treasurer's Report was accepted by Andrea and seconded by Stephanie

Principal's Report was provided by Graeme Boyd (who was not present at the meeting).

-Thank you to all the parents who helped with the ice cream social and got a chance to meet our teachers. It was great to see so many families able to be there.

-Our busy time is upon us again. The Thanksgiving food drive collected 15 file boxes of food for the food bank, which was much appreciated. 8 showers later I was back to normal!

-This Friday is a professional development day for teachers. Many of our staff will be off-site to take part in math or language arts training opportunities.

-Picture re-take day is October 29/13 in the AM. A note will be sent home confirming this.

-Halloween Breakfast is coming up. A note will go home this week outlining the fashion show opportunity as well as a reply for us to be able to plan for numbers.

-I am meeting with the consultant hired by the district to examine the viability of our facilities this week. Watch the district website for an opportunity to take part in the public meeting.

Correspondence: Tara shared a thank you card from Mrs. Montgomery regarding the retirement gift the PAC got her.

Old Business:

-Hot Lunch Update-Feedback is that the online option is working well. More volunteers on the day of hot lunches would be appreciated. Teachers have questioned whether they could place orders for lunches as well. Tara will discuss with Leslie. Stephanie will purchase forks and napkins for the kitchen. The new method of delivering the food to the classroom before kids come inside seems to be working.

-Halloween Breakfast-Stephanie updated the group that she will not be able to stay for the whole breakfast as she has training to attend. Tara, Aren and Tami will be there to help out. Stephanie will purchase all necessary items for the breakfast. There will be a gluten-free option made by one of the parents. Tami will email Graeme and Ladona with information ie. a reminder for parents to pack plastic dishes to include in the notice regarding the fashion show and/or via email. Tami will post about volunteers again on FB. Sausage makers can pick up sausages on Weds. Tami will bring her pancake griddle for pancakes to be made.

-Food Drive-Went well with many donations. One parent requested that we post Graeme's picture of having his hair dyed on FB. Thanks again to Graeme for being a good sport!

-Potluck Lunch-We have quite a few volunteers signed up. More will likely turn up. Stephanie will purchase gloves for the event while at Costco. Tami will call the Lighthouse to give them a heads up that she will drop off food for donation that day.

-Brenda Leigh-Tara has not heard back about the grant. She will follow up.

-English Bay Cookie Dough-Approximately \$1,000 was raised. Tara recommended a goal be set per student next year in order to increase funds raised. More help would be beneficial on distribution day, as it was quite busy for the couple of volunteers that helped out (thanks Aren and Leslie). Feedback is the cookies are tasty!

New Business:

-Christmas Carnival Committee-As the attendance was low this evening for the meeting, a committee was not formed. Tami will post on Facebook and add information in the newsletter about volunteering to be on the committee and the first meeting. Andrea will update the Google Doc from last year for volunteer sign-up and she will include the details in her "PAC Rep" email. It was discussed that two crafts will take place in one room close to the gym and the face painting time will be shortened with "fast passes." A date was set for Weds. Nov. 13/13 at 6:30 for the committee to meet at the school. Babysitting will be provided.

-Coats for Kids-Stephanie will organize again this year. Coat donations can be put in the bin in the lobby and then will be taken to White Hat Cleaners where they will clean and distribute to organizations.

-Louise Walker-Generally comes every two years to talk about the body, sexual education, etc... This would be the year she would come. Talks are different depending on the grade and there is a parent talk prior to the student ones. Tara will speak to Graeme about this.

-Smile Cards-Tara and Tami will look into further and discuss with Aren. This may be worth pursuing as a fundraiser.

-Bottle Bring-Tara and Tami talked about the success their son's hockey teams had with a bottle drive. They suggested that we consider a "bottle bring" again this year. The trouble with our last one was that there was not a lot of volunteer support; however it made pretty good money. This is something to consider doing in the spring.

-Mable's Labels-Andrea suggested sharing the link on Facebook (www.oceangrove.mabelslabels.com) as this can be an effective way to get people to purchase labels.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Next Meeting: November 25/13