

Carihi Secondary School PAC Meeting

Attendance:

Tanza Davies
Lori Kobelak

Dea Kowalko
Sally MacGregor

Tia Stephens
Violet Shade

Sean Toal

Start:

7:10pm

Introductions:

Introductions were made

Special Guest:

Lori Kobelak visited with host families, ideally with families that have kids of the same age. There is a 5 page application form to fill out, as well there is an inspection of the home done to meet safety requirements and an interview with all family members. The requirements of a billeting family are to have internet, a private bedroom, school bus access, and a quiet study area available to students at all times. You receive \$750/month to host a student. They will be recruiting new host families soon, there will be an information meeting on **Feb 22nd at 7:00pm** in the library at Timberline Secondary. One way of doing a "trial run", would be to be a respite family for those already hosting students and need to find somewhere for their student short term, do to a trip away, etc.

The largest group of exchange students come from Taiwan and Japan. Germany is the second largest group as approximately 20% of the population studies abroad. Next year we have 25 returning students. The school supports the exchange students with ESL classes in school and after school programs. As well activity programs are run out of the school calendar.

If you have any questions or are interested in becoming a host family, you can contact Lori.

Review of Past Minutes:

Minutes were reviewed and accepted by Sally, Tanza seconded. All were in favour.

Treasurer's Report:

Liz was not at the meeting.

Principal's Report:

A detailed report was given to all in attendance and is attached to the minutes.

Vice Principal's Report:

Fred was not present.

DPAC Report:

School closures still the main topic.

Looking into moving the meetings back to the school district office next year, as there was better attendance when it was there.

There is an internet safety meeting for parents in the timberline theatre March 7th and 8th at 7:00pm

Grad Report:

On going fundraisers: Purdy's chocolate bars, aroma coffee.

There will be hanging baskets and a wood cut in the near future.

Plans are going well, although fundraising is down from last year.

Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

50th Anniversary celebration will take place on April 22nd from 4-9. Michael Bernardt, a former student, will be our MC. Grad classes will be getting together in separate class rooms. The opening ceremony will take place at 6pm in the gym, where there will be performances, speeches. There will be cake in the MPR. This is going on the same night as the musical, so we are expecting a good turnout.

Next Meeting:

March 14th at 7pm in the library.

Hoping maybe to have the drama department come next time.

End:

8:00 pm