



Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

September 12th, 2017

Attendees: Catherine DuBois, Rebecca Jamin, Nicole Linuzzi, Erica East, Carter Giesbrecht, Petra Eggert, Tara Poillievre, Chris Caddell, Kelly Shera, Amanda Urbshott, Sarah Vebede, Amy Verdun, Kat Duncan, Kate O'Regan and Grazina Sviderskyte

1. Introductions

2. Old Business

June 5th Meeting Minutes reviewed. Motion by Catherine to accept the minutes, Seconded by Nicole

3. Principal's Report

Terry Fox Run and Orange Shirt Day coming up this month

Library updates are complete

Outdoor seating is awaiting install, in the queue with GVSD Maintenance Dept (install approx November)

New custodian has started

Class configuration has changed, less students per class, 5 more divisions, 5 more classroom teachers and 11 new staff in total. Still awaiting postings for Late French Immersion teacher and Band teacher(Sept-Dec)

Two Pro D days this month, Sept 18th and 29th

2. Presentation by Megan Squires from the CRD

Megan is the Education and Engagement Coordinator for Active and Safe Routes to School Program(coordinates with Lise Richards)

Best Routes to School Map has been generated, office has large hard copy of map to post and digital copies that can emailed to families and posted to the website (PAC facebook page)

'Drive to 5' signs posted around town to encourage families driving students to school to park 5 minutes away from school and let them walk the rest of the way. Benefits are promotes activity among children and less congestion around school that improves safety.

Suggestion for Cedar Hill to consider adopting/promoting a 'Walk on Wed' plan

Discussed idea of 'block party' to create pedestrian only Gregory Pl and educate drivers on designated student drop off area at end of Garnet Rd

Megan available to assist us with any issues we are interested in pursuing further

3. Treasurer's Report

Copy of budget distributed does not yet reflect the gaming grant \$ that is pending

Discussion with members about gaming and general accounts, how funded and rules of use Thriftys and Fairways fundraising grocery cards program is continuing this year. Please use same cards as last year. Grade 6 families will receive Fairways cards this year but please contact the PAC if you require more cards.

Annual Report for the gaming account in progress

3. **Outdoor Seating/Scooter /CRD bike rack**

Outdoor bench and scooter racks ordered by the PAC have been delivered and are awaiting November install as well as new bike racks (courtesy of CRD)

4. **First Day of School PAC meet and greet**

Thanks to Tara P for representing the PAC at this event, it was well attended and great info on PAC funded initiatives. Thank you also to Carter/Petra for arranging for the coffee and goodies and speaking with the attendees about the PAC.

5. **Breakfast Club**

Thanks to all the parents who have offered to help out with the Breakfast Program. Hoping to have it organized and off the ground by Oct 1st. Nicole Linuzzi is current contact. Still looking for a few more volunteers and a coordinator.

6. **Climbing Wall**

Looking for another teacher to champion the efforts to continue fundraising for the climbing wall (8ft climbing wall for back of stage with matting). Cost will be approx \$9000 for equipment and install costs are TBD. Carter will provide an update on cost estimates next meeting.

7. **Christmas Craft Fair**

On school calendar tentatively for Dec 16th but no details have been confirmed with Carmen yet (coordinator for last year's fair). By our next meeting, PAC will need to have a decision on how to proceed and detailed budget planning. Will it continue as joint initiative with CHMPA?

8. **New Business**

- a. Magazine Drive will proceed but in a few weeks time, Catherine is coordinating.
- b. Elections for 2017/18

Here is the new PAC:

Nicole Linuzzi - President

Joy Wickens - Vice President

Rebecca Jamin - Co-Treasurer

Amanda Urbshott - Co-Treasurer

Catherine Dubois - Secretary

Members at Large: Tara Poilievre, Erica East and Sarah Vebede

- c. Catherine to apply for Parent Education Fund
- d. PAC to book Nikki Lineman for two Parent Education Math Nights
- e. Earthquake Supplies, Erica to check past minutes for expiry of water/granola bars
- f. Suggestion for PAC to create a monthly newsletter to share information with CH families

Next meeting October 10th, 2017. Meeting adjourned.