PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE



MINUTES

DATE:	September 19 th , 2023
LOCATION:	CLES Library
PRESENT:	Jessica Coleman, Katherine Praski, Karla Dick, Shawn Lockhart, Morgan Adrain, Lauren Thomas, Tracey MacGregor, Lindsay Southwick
ABSENT:	Shannon Hall, Shawn Paolone, Tommy Nicholson
GUESTS:	

1. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT:

6:59 pm

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge and respect that I live and work within the converging ancestral, traditional, and unceded territories of the Kootenay Boundary and Columbia basin indigenous peoples as well as the Metis peoples who footsteps have also marked these lands.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Additions/Deletions)

MOVED BY: Tracey MacGregor SECONDED BY: Katherine Praski # SUPPORTED: 6 #NOT SUPPORTED: 0

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

ADDITIONS: None DELETIONS: None

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5. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

GUESTS WHO HAVE BEEN WELCOMED: None

6. <u>ELECTIONS</u>

President: Jessica Coleman is acclaimed. **Vice President:** Katherine Praski is acclaimed. **Secretary:** Open **Treasurer:** Karla Dick is acclaimed.

Note: Tommy Nicholson is in training to be Treasurer next year.

7. TRUSTEE REPORT

No report at this time.

8. PRINCIPAL/VICE PRINCIPAL REPORT

School photos will be September 26th, by Contact Photo, so the cost for photo will be lower. The PAC will no longer be supplimenting teh cost, as Mountain West was going to cost \$1000 more. We have differed.

HUB learn to ride is on September 20th for Gr 4-7. Lauren has offered some bikes for future events from the RCMP Detachment. Jessica Coleman will let Kim know.

The Terry Fox Run is on September 27th. The kids will be going to Midway for the District Terry Fox Run for Gr 4-7. K-3 stay local.

Makers' Day is Oct 16. Shawn Lockhart will send out notices to parents looking for helpers for the day. Shawn will have a meeting with the parent volunteers before the event. Some kids will help with lunch. Perogies in the past. Consider the eBlast for volunteers (Tracey). Katherine to ask Julie Mercer if she would be willing to help organize the lunch.

Total 75 kids at at CLES, at this time.

Lego league – heads up – may need some funding. Marcie Carney will send more info. Shawn Lockhart will ask Marcie to attend the next PAC meeting.

9. PARENTS REPORT

Pumpkins

Lindsay Southwick is donating 50 pumpkins to PAC for fundraising. Rilkoff charges \$7 for small and \$15 for large. One idea is the motel right next door may be looking for pumpkins, Jessica Coleman will reach out to them, to see if they would like to buy them.

10. TREASURER'S REPORT

Karla Dick presented funds available.

11. <u>NEW BUISNESS</u>

School Spirit Wear

PAC will be offering new orders with the same logo. We will change the hoodie colour. We look at options for joggers, beanies. Jessica Coleman will organize this.

Teacher Requests:

After many back-and-forths, I was finally able to meet with our local mural artist Paul Archer around painting the library wall (that separates the learning centre from the library). He was very excited about the prospect of painting a forest mural in the space, as am I. I have no doubt that everyone has seen Mr. Archer's work, and his ability add that extra magic to our beloved space. The long and the short of it is the cost. He is promising a very quick turnaround, but the costs would be around 2000-2500 dollars. Actually, it is normally more, but I am planning, with some student volunteer time, to do most of the masking, taping, cleaning, an area prep to bring costs down. It's one of those things where the more we put into it the more spectacular it becomes. I have heard Mr. Archer's ideas, and I have no doubt that this would be an amazing addition to our library. I hope that you will see that too, and help us along with this one. I am happy to volunteer our students' time in additional fundraising efforts in the future, but this is an opportunity that has presented itself early on in the year. Feel free to let me know if you have any questions. Thanks very much, Ryan MacGregor

Ryan called in – Ryan thinks that the library is under-utilized and looking to provide a space for kids that will use. Trying to give a space a better feel. The one wall is cinder blocks and looking to improve the look. Mr. Archer is willing to complete a mural for the wall. Looking at trees with path and archways and a path. Plexiglass shelves. Total package is \$3500 with Archer – very low-cost. Ties into the indigenous learning aspect. Want the library to be a calming and centered affect. Rotary group, CL Fire Department and Phoenix Foundation. \$750 in donations at this time. Outstanding is \$2750.

Jessica moves that we donate \$2750 to the wall mural in the library, with a caveat that fundraising will continue, and the extra money is returned to PAC. PAC has also aske that the groups that donate, are mentioned on the wall. This way Ryan can get going on the project.

MOVED BY: Jessica Coleman SECONDED BY: Lindsay Southwick # SUPPORTED: 6 #NOT SUPPORTED:0

Jessica moves that we donate 4 bean bag chairs for the library with a max spending limit of \$1000.00. The bean bags must be wipeable, and nature colors. Lauen Thomas will source these and purchase them, and send the receipt to Karla Dyck for reimbursement.

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Fundraisers:

Poinsettias: Organizer:

Mabel's Labels: Organizer: Eliminate

Gala Apples: Organizer:

Purdy's Christmas and Easter: Organizer: Jolyn O'Dell

West Coast Seeds:

Organizer:

Christmas Cards by Kids: Organizer: Katherine Praski

Spring Flowers: Organizer:

Tomatoes: Organizer:

Fresh to You: Organizer:

New Fundraising idea:

Fantasy Hockey Pool/Sports Pool. Need to check if gaming license is required. Office Pools.com. Football or Basketball instead. Morgan will get together with Jessica Coleman to do this.

Start of the Year Video

Request that it is emailed, in addition to Facebook.

Grade 6/7 Victoria Trip, Grade 6/7 Grad, Grade 6/7 Parent Representative

Lauren Thomas and Tracey MacGregor have volunteered to be a Gr 6/7 parent representatives. Jessica will email Darren to initiate the plans. Halloween Carnival for an idea.

Educational Field for Tree planting – Tommy Nicholson has offered. Jessica will connect Shawn Lockhart with Tommy for this.

Stewardship – Lira Tuck for dissecting fish. Katherine Praski passed this information on to Shawn Lockhart.

Volunteers for Rotary

September 29th- Beer Gardens at 2nd Annual Octoberfest

Inquire about Grant application for this year (as we did not get a response to our application last year).

Rotary has asked if PAC would be interested in in providing volunteers who would drive people home, for donations. Gas money, how long will it be, how many drivers, do we need to go to GF.

<mark>Movie Night</mark>

November 16th, doors open at 6:30 pm, and movie starts at 7:00 pm

Hot Lunches

Julie Mercer

Christmas Raffle

Katherine, can you post on Facebook again

Potluck Picnic

Debriefing for next year - Music was great, Burgers were very good, maybe start a bit earlier. Any thoughts on how to get more people here. Consider in the beginning of the school video to advertise the PAC picnic. Consider door prizes.

Afterschool Homework Club

Discussion – is there any opportunities here? If the teacher offers but they cannot be asked. Can the PAC fund portions of it. Shawn Lockhart will ask the teachers about this.

Music Program

Children have been telling their parents that they were told that CLES cannot afford to fix the instruments as the instruments are all broken, so now they must learn violin, and that the instruments fell off a truck and all broke. Shawn Lockhart has confirmed that this year, along with the music curriculum, the kids will learn Violin. As well, anyone that is going into Grade 8, can take music without previous experience. Shawn Lockhart has communicated that we are lucky to have a music program, and that none of the instruments are broken. Shawn will have this cleared up with the children.

Block Letter Program

Could the block letter program include volunteering Lots of opportunities for volunteering for and it provides good opportunities.

Bridging connections. Shawn Lockhart will work on this.

Halloween Carnival and Haunted House

PAC will consider a carnival in the Spring to give more time to for planning.

Maker's Day

October 16th, 2023

Microwaves

The Grade 4/5 room needs another microwave and the one they have needs to be replaced.

The Grade 6/7 class has so many kids, it is taking them to long to use the 2 microwaves, they need a third microwave or kettles.

MOVED BY: Jessica Coleman to order 2 microwaves for the Grade 4/5 room. Jessica will ask Kim to source these. Jessica will ask Kim to remind parents that there are limited microwaves for hot lunches. SECONDED BY: Lauren Thomas # SUPPORETED: 6 # NOT SUPPORTED: 0

10. OLD BUSINESS & UPDATES

None

10. ADJURNMENT

MOVED BY: Tracey MacGregor **SECONDED BY:** Katherine Praski