

## **Minutes**

### **Alice Brown Elementary School PAC Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday February 15, 2018 8:45am Start**

The meeting was called to order by Stephanie at 8:46am

#### **In attendance:**

Stephanie Stovold	Stan Dalebout	Jenni Fauht
Deborah Hunt	Anthea Cranston	Amanda Harcoff
Cindi Spletzer	Toni McClure	Christine McCallum
Shannon Lifton	Michael Carlyle	Shana de Leew
Vanessa Ferguson	Jessica Locke	Adam Henry
Maria Shannon	Kelly Brodie	Christel Whittaker
Carmen Johnson	Alysha Rattay	

Stephanie motions to adopt the agenda. Anthea seconds this.

#### **Principal's Report: Mr Carlyle**

Four New Staff Members:

Hanan Dumas to help Ms Hannah in Grade 1 class, will work Mon & Tuesday

Rebecca Frankin ELL

Debora Cawland: Learning Commons on Mon & Wed (she is the district Learning Common teacher)

-library will be changing to become more flexible, more technology will be introduced

Maria Klassen: PE teacher for Tues & Thursday

There is still one position to be filled in the Grade 7 classroom.

Staff Book Study: "Lost & Found" by Ross Greene

Mr Carlyle recommends this book to parents as well. It discusses behavior as a deficit to learning. Students may have skills lagging rather than merely choosing not to behave. Mr Carlyle may send a team of staff to Ross Greene's workshop in Kelowna.

February 19<sup>th</sup>: Jump Rope for Heart

Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup>: Spirit Day: Olympic Day

February 23<sup>rd</sup>: Pro D Day

Respect & Diversity Week is coming up

#### **Teacher's Report: Ms Hannah**

-currently calling for missing/lacking books in class sets

-still working on building a book list that need to be purchased

#### **Treasurer's Report: Kelly**

Two Changes:

\$1000 to come out of Literacy was incorrect; this will come out of Classroom Incentives (Budget of \$2200)

Family Fun Night (Dance) will have a budget of \$350

Kelly motions to adopt the budget. Maria seconds this.

#### **New Business**

Fundraisers: this will be done on a first come, first serve basis

-two per month during school hours

-evening events are separate (ie. Movie Night)

Fieldtrips:

Some class fieldtrips are expensive. We discussed possibly giving more to teachers who are planning more expensive fieldtrips, and what the process should be for approving this higher amount. Each division currently has \$110 to go towards bus ride for fieldtrips. A few suggestions were made:

-teachers can approach PAC with a request for more funds for fieldtrips, perhaps by filling out a form or talking to Mr Carlyle

-or perhaps just increasing the amount for fieldtrips for each division in the budget

-or keep it at \$110 but this will not carry over to the next year

We have agreed to table this discussion until our AGM in May.

### **Old Business**

Traffic Safety Committee still needs a head

-this position could involve simply just organizing volunteers to help out each day of the week

Mr Carlyle noted that the PAC cannot fund a staff position as crossing guard

Community Garden

-this is not something that Mr Carlyle can take on right now

-if anyone has any city/township connections which could assist in planning of a possible garden, please pass those along

-Steph has been in contact with a parent from our school who works for LEPS and she will gather and pass along information for us

-we will need water supply, location, school involvement

-we will have more conversations about this as a lot of planning is involved

-we may need a PAC parent to take this on as a committee head

-Toni has volunteered to be this Community Garden Committee head

### Family Night (Dance)

- this committee is working on gathering donations
- planned for May 3<sup>rd</sup> (Pro D Day next day: May 4<sup>th</sup>)

### Reptile Learning

- teachers are in favor of this idea
- Mike Reptile guy will cost: \$702.50

Stephanie motions that the PAC will give \$702.50 to have Mike the Reptile Guy come in and do a presentation to our school.

Majority are in favor and so the motion is passed.

This will likely take place in May during school hours.

\*\*\*\* Amendment – After the PAC meeting, Mr. Carlyle researched “ Mike the Reptile Guy” and discovered some SPCA concerns and violations. Mr. Carlyle notified the PAC that we will not move forward with Mike the reptile guy . The budget for reptile learning is still approved for the above mentioned amount, the PAC will look into different options which the SPCA supports.

### Shortreed Elementary Update:

Adam has spoken with Shortreed and they have reached their downpayment goal of \$20,000. Still in need of \$70,000 for their playground updates. It has been proposed that we do a one time donation of \$1000. We will vote next PAC meeting on this.

### West Coast Seeds:

Megan has organized this and order forms will be coming home on February 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Gym Mats:

Mr Carlyle had a lead on tri-fold mats for a great price of around \$100 each (the small sized mats are around \$120 each). The suggestion was made to have the PAC and Mr Carlyle pitch in to purchase 12 new tri-fold mats. Unfortunately the leads on the tri-fold mats did not pan out, and we can no longer purchase them for that great price. Mr Carlyle will investigate gym mats further. PE still has a budget of \$1000.

Reader Board:

Quotes for an electronic sign board are still needed

Emergency Kits

-families may purchase emergency preparedness kits for their children and send them in to be stored in our emergency container

-bare minimums for survival have been collected and stored in the bins

Jag (custodian) has asked that the items (possibly PAC items??) in the girls' changeroom be moved.

Stephanie adjourned the meeting at 9:40am.