

PAC Meeting

Monday June 6/2011

Attendance:

Sherry-Lynn Picheniuk, Dawn Follestad, Candy Benedetti, Linda Van Alphen, Tina Ben, Shauna Janzen, Helen Sarvari, Darren Sarvari, Kelly Jones, Angie Wilson, Lindsay Christian, Kathy Giguere, Donna Silvius, Dirk Goedhart

Points Awarded:

Green - 8, Red - 5, Blue - 4, Yellow – 12
Go Red!

Secretary's Report :

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report:

There is approximately \$8000.00 sitting in the regular account with approximately \$4000.00 in the grant account. Most of the grant money will be spent on the field trips that classes are taking this upcoming month. We are still awaiting the picnic tables that were purchased by the PAC. The sport's court and playground are completely paid. The grant application for next year will be sent in within the next week.

Trustee's Report:

May 9/11 - The Board of Education adopted a "roll-over or status quo budget" for the 2011-2012 school year of \$58,368.45. We were able to offset an anticipated shortfall by applying accumulated savings from the budget of the past year, advocating for a reinstatement of funding protection from the Ministry of Education and the revenue generated through technology. The Board remains concerned about the 2012-2013 budget as we are still in the position of having a structural deficit.

-Don MacIntyre currently the Principal of Princess Margaret Secondary is our new Director of Instruction in the Board office.

-Darcy Mullin was appointed to Giant's Head Elementary School as Principal and is coming from Kaleden Elementary.

-Interviews for the two Principal positions - PMSS and SSS took place this past Saturday and Terry Grady was the successful candidate for the Princess Margaret Secondary School Principalship - new principal for Summerland Secondary School has yet to be announced.

-Interviews for the Kaleden Elementary Principalship will take place on the 9th of June.

-Okanagan Skaha-Celebrating Inquiry Projects 2011 was held on May 31/11 and it was great to see that the original question from Parkway Elementary with the emphasis on the Code of

Conduct appears to have led the way for other schools in the district to base their more recent questions in Social Responsibility.

-Policy committee is looking at draft policy to establish a sibling clause for non-catchment schools and district programs.

-Policy Committee looked at Political/Religious Activities and Materials in Schools in regard to activities or distribution of materials in schools during regular instruction hours which are political or religious in nature.

-Buildings, Grounds, Safety and Transportation Committee looked at proposed changes to signage around schools in Penticton - the proposal for Parkway Elementary is to change Warren Avenue to a Playground zone - next step is for proposal to be passed by City of Penticton council and new signs should be in place by August.

Principal's Report:

- Doreen from Atlanta, GA arrived with the NED show and a wonderful yoyo presentation. NED stands for Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best. Yoyo's are on sale for the week following the performance at recess and lunch. Replacement of yoyo's is guaranteed by just sending them back to the company.

-The track meet was cancelled last Thursday at 11:00 a.m. due to inclement weather. Thank you to Mrs. Silvius and all of the parent volunteers for all of their hard work. Carmi School will host the concession once again next year.

-There are many field trips coming up this June to the Safety Village, KVR, Farmer John's, and Loco Landing. Parents are encouraged to send a \$2 donation with their child to support the bus ride to and from these destinations. Permission forms are showing up at home all month - please fill them out quickly so teachers can be prepared.

-The grade 5 leaving ceremony is on June 22 from 10:40-11:30. Children are encouraged not to purchase new gowns/outfits for this event but rather just to make an extra effort to look nice with what they already have in their closet.

- Mrs. King's class did a rap song at the assembly, Sportsmanship theme will be presented by Mrs. Dech's class, the jazz band will be performing from the high school, and the museum will stop by to talk about summer classes. Tuesday June 28 is the last assembly. A power point presentation will be delivered, a trophy ceremony, and a good-bye to all of the teachers who are retiring or are leaving and may not be coming back to work at Parkway next year. Hopefully we'll see most of them back in September after staffing decisions have been made.

-The last day of school is June 29 and will only be in session until noon. Report cards go out on June 28. Kids will return to their old classrooms on the first day of school until placement for next year can be determined. Hopefully this transition will be quick. New children to the school will meet in the gymnasium and be brought to what would have been their classroom last year had they been in the school.

-Teachers are beginning to phone parents with recommendations for summer school at Parkway. If you wish to pursue this avenue, just fill out the form that will be sent home to register your child.

-Kindergarten is a full day program starting in September. The same 2 classrooms will be used.
Next Monday June 13 will be a Kindergarten orientation and schedules will be sent home.

S.P.C Report:

- The Social Responsibility theme has been highlighted in the school with the Code of conduct, WITS program, and self-assessment questionnaires. The results are being posted. Thank you to Mrs. Caruso for engineering the board in the library showcasing these results. They will be e-mailed home and we will continue with this theme into the next year.

Old Business:

-The garage sale is on June 12 from 0800-1300 in the Parkway parking lot or gym. There are many volunteers but not a lot of tables have been purchased. Donations are also required. There will be a concession and bottle drive on site. Advertising is going out this week to the Western, Astral Media, Sun FM, Giant FM, and Kjjji.

-Family Fun Night and Art Show is on June 15 from 5:00-7:00 pm. There will be a dunk tank and three Par T Perfect play structures. Ice is still needed for the ice block racing. The BBQ is booked and book exchange information has been sent out. There are many volunteers all donating 1/2 hour of their time to this great event.

New Business:

- Signs are in production for the playground partners and sport's court.

-Sleeveless tank tops are Okay to wear to school, however, no spaghetti straps. No belly baring shirts are permitted as well.

-Elections were held and the outcomes are as follows:

PAC President - Angie Wilson
Vice President - Shauna Janzen
Treasurer - Dawn Follestad
Secretary - Sherry-Lynn Picheniuk
1:1 Reading Co-ordinator - Sharon Spence
Hot Lunch Co-ordinator - Tina Ben
Breakfast Co-ordinator - Lindsay Christian

Safe Arrival Co-ordinator - Shauna Janzen - but she is willing to forfeit this duty with her newly elected position as Vice President. Please see Mr. Jones if you are interested.

The residents from the Concorde will return again in September to read with the children.

Next meeting - September 12/2011 at 7:00 pm - Please come out and include your voice!

Adjourned at 8:10 pm