

## KPAC (Kaleden Parent Advisory Council) Meeting Minutes February 4, 2019

In attendance:

Leanne McClarty, co-chair

Karen Pennington, co-vice chair

Judy Elphick, treasurer

Jessica ter Wolbeek, co-secretary

Lisa Needoba, parent

Kathy Pierre, SD 67 trustee

Nancy Lomax, principal

Meeting start time 7:05pm

Approval of agenda:

1st Jess

2nd Judy

Trustee's Report: Kathy Pierre – she provided two separate reports (Jan and Feb 2019 meetings)

Principal's Report: Nancy Lomax

- January was a very productive month – routines are established and it's not too busy
- Apex tubing was excellent – thank you to parents who assisted
- The school growth plan focus has been on wellness and resilience. The EASE program that Kathy referred to is coming to the school. January's word has been risk taking, meaning stepping outside your comfort zone, trying new things, etc.
- The basketball season was great, kids were so enthusiastic, thank you to parents who brought their kids to games at other schools through the season. A wrap-up party is coming up.
- One-to-one reading program is at their halfway point and will be having a celebration.
- Grade 4s cross-country skiing was cancelled due to the cold, rescheduled to Feb 21st.
- Also referring to some items Kathy mentioned – the computer lab is aging – moving forward will require teacher training.
- Grade 3 swimming lessons – there are more students this year so Nancy said she will need to ask PAC for more money for bus transportation (can't share with Parkway due to increased numbers).

Treasurer's Report: Judy Elphick

- Account balance as of today is \$24,859.32
- Funscript deposit of \$787.30 for the past 3 years
- The Christmas bake sale made \$1071.15
- Fairview liquor donated another \$450
- Hot lunch deposit of \$1449.50

New business:

- 1) Par-T-Perfect is booked for Fun Day. No climbing wall this year but there will be an obstacle course and a sand art table, as well as carnival games (parent volunteer needed). Leanne will send the \$ amount to Judy.
- 2) Karen P. can no longer stand outside the school every morning for traffic safety and proposes forming a roster or signup sheet. She is willing to coordinate this. Lisa N. proposes opening it to the community as well as parents. Judy suggested having Sparky some mornings. Nancy will contact Judith King re: HUB involvement. Nancy will also contact Christy from ICBC about training with the handheld speed readers.
- 3) Subrina asked Karen to bring up the art wall. Wasn't refreshed last year. Teachers don't want to be the

ones to choose which art is displayed. PAC can form a committee to choose. Teachers should save some art for PAC to choose from – submit end of April to PAC. Around 5 or 6 new pieces should be put up at the end of each school year.

- 4) Rick Johnson (parent) has enquired whether or not it would be possible to have a lockbox at the school, like the RDOS one at the beach. He is willing to donate hockey nets, sticks, and balls. Nancy will check with Doug (director of facilities) about logistics for this.
- 5) After hearing about the use of the AED to save a Grade 8 Oliver student's life recently – should there be one at KES? This would not only be for students, but also staff, parents, grandparents, etc. Cost is approximately \$1400. Leanne wonders if there would be a grant available for this. Nancy will also speak to Doug about this.
- 6) Leanne brought information about selling blueberry plants as a fundraiser. Everyone indicated that this sounds like a good idea. Needs to be done ASAP. Open up sales to the community? Jess volunteered to coordinate.
- 7) Lobsterfest update (Leanne). Struthers Tech has made a large donation which will cover half the cost of the tent. OK to give them complimentary tickets? Everyone agreed yes. The Cannery will be supplying beer again. So far we have 3 pages of donations. Short on wine. Leanne was given the go-ahead to book the tent. Hopefully the decision of whether or not to get sides for the tent can be left until the last minute.
- 8) Lisa Needoba brought information/studies and talked about the idea of getting Spin bikes for classrooms: the Sparks Fly program by Run For Life. <https://sparks.runforlife.ca> There is anecdotal as well as research evidence for a correlation between physical activity and concentration and academic performance. OK Falls school is currently using them. Bikes are about \$725 each. Leanne asked about the possibility of funding for this initiative. Nancy will look into this.

Next meeting date TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.