

BME PAC Meeting

May 16, 2019

Location: BME Learning Commons



Attendance: Julee, Rachelle, Allie, Teresa, Jessica, Lacey, Jamie, Christina, Janelle, Katie, Janet, Margherita, Adrian, Laurisse,

1. Call to Order/Attendance at 6:05pm
2. Adopt the Minutes and Agenda for this meeting: Allie adopted the minutes from the last PAC meeting and Margherita seconded it. Lacey adopted the agenda for this meeting and Allie seconded it.
3. Introductions by Julee
4. Officer's Reports:
 - a) President's Report by Julee: PAC Bursary recipient has now been decided on and we have 2 tickets to the RSS graduation. Our pay pal account has now been closed but we will be setting up Bambora instead of Pay Pal. Kristy will be setting this up for us ASAP.
 - b) Vice President's Report: No report.
 - c) Treasurer's Report by Allie: Pay Pal has now been closed. \$32,459.79 is our current cash position. \$5,000 had to come out of the pay pal account as they had to close down. Last month we talked about whether or not there are any additional items that need to be purchased before the end of the school year. Janet spoke about the need for our math and science program to get some enhancements. Mrs. Dereume helped put together an order for some new resources for math and science for all divisions to use. There is about \$3500 worth of resources that the teachers would like to order. Allie motions to accept her own report.
 - d) Secretary's Report: No report.
 - e) Fundraising Report by Jessica: Orders for fun fair tickets are at \$2,578.00 so far! Wow! Sign up Genius is now up and running – please sign up to volunteer at the fun fair – we need lots of volunteers to make this fun fair successful! Sign up today!
Action Julee: Add silent auction baskets for fun fair to job description for classroom rep.
Action Julee and Teresa: Email all classroom reps and remind them about the silent auction baskets. Candice Johnson Photography fundraiser will be happening at the end of May. Limited spots available.
 - f) Hot Lunch Report by Rachelle: Numbers are looking good. 13,000 lunches served so far this year! Woo hoo! \$19,758 in sales so far – we will definitely reach \$20,000 before the end of June. Rachelle is getting everything set up and ready for Tara and Chantelle to take over for her next year. We nominated Rachelle for a volunteer award for all of her years of hard work and volunteering at BME.
 - g) Fruit and Veggie Report by Laurisse: We re-registered for the Fruit and Veggie program for next year. Laurisse asked about the Food Safe course. Does she need to take it? PAC will pay for the Food Safe course if she wants to. The mini peppers were well received by the students. There was a small shortage of milk delivered but they figured it out and made do with what they

got. Mini cucumbers will be the next delivery for fruit and veggie day.

h) COPAC Report by Laurisse: The last COPAC meeting was mostly about the middle schools. Nominations and elections were held. The Knox Mountain hill climb is happening this weekend and they are still looking for lots of volunteers. We will most likely need to pay for our COPAC membership for next year as they will not be covering memberships next year. We have over 250 pairs of shoes collected from BME families so far! Way to go BME families! You can still donate shoes until the end of the month of May. If you have some shoes to donate that are in good condition please bring them to the school.

i) Facebook/Communication: No report.

j) Volunteer Coordinator: Teresa made a suggestion that the fundraising team should absorb the volunteer coordinator position for next year, as she felt like she was middle man most of the time. The role of setting up the Sign Up Genius website is a very small role that only takes 5 minutes to do and she thinks that for next year, the fundraising team could take care of this task themselves.

k) Health and Safety Report: Crystal is away tonight. The green traffic light at Gallagher Road and Hwy 33 has been changed and it is now an extra 5 seconds longer which means the parking lot has been clearing out much faster.

Action Crystal: Please let the green light guy know that we really appreciate him extending the light longer. Way to go Crystal!

l) Classroom Representatives: No report.

m) Playground Committee Report by Jamie: See 8. New Business d) below.

5. Principal's Report by Janet Slaney: We are in the middle of staff postings now. Natasha Guidi will be leaving BME at some point to take a clerical job for 12 months. We will be sad to see her go. May 24th will be Twin Day and also Air Bands will be performing in the morning. The Grade 4 students will be doing some community service events soon. A couple of examples: they will be visiting a seniors home to play games with them and visit with them, as well as have a bake sale at the school. The Grade 4 learning community would like to raise some money for The Hub. The Hub is located inside of Pearson Elementary School. The Hub offers many services to families in our community (ex: access to counsellors, nurses, psychiatrists, etc.). It's a one stop shop for resources, supports and services for local families. It is a welcoming second home for families to connect with each other and to community supports. Kindergarten orientation at BME is coming soon (end of May). The intermediates are going to Apple Bowl on Tuesday right after the long weekend for their big track and field day. We will share the apple bowl with South Rutland Elementary School as we have in past years. Parent requests for next year's teachers are due in writing before May 23rd. There will be a parent volunteer appreciation breakfast happening in the middle of June to extend our appreciation to all parents who have volunteered over the year. The Grade 5 celebration will be happening the last week of June. It will be an evening celebration. Dates for next year's calendar are being finalized...parent teacher open house and early dismissals will be October 9th and 10th. And then in February the student led conferences and early dismissals will be on February 6th and 7th.

6. Spotlight on Student Learning by Adrian Zuyderduyn – The First Annual Expo of Awesome at UBCO happened on May 1st. Over 1,000 people came out for this awesome event. We had 8 students from BME who went and shared about their learning. They participated in a design thinking challenge with Minecraft. They were asked this question, “What would you have in your ideal “kid cave”? They interviewed each other and then built and created these kid caves in their Minecraft worlds and then shared their ideas with everyone that came through the expo event. The 8 students were from Mrs. Arlt’s Grade 5 classroom. This expo of awesome was a huge success and it was a great event to attend.

7. Old Business

a) Shoe Drive – We have already collected over 250 pairs of shoes and you can still drop more shoes off at BME until the end of May. Please ensure that they are in good condition and that someone else would be happy to continue wearing them.

8. New Business

a) Nominations & Elections -

2019/2020 BME PAC Elections

Elected Positions

President

Nominee: Jamie Taverner

Vice President

Secretary

Nominee: Janelle Schultz

Nominee: Linette Sandor

Treasurer

Nominee: Kristy Andrusachuk

COPAC Representative

Nominee: Laurisse Feddersen

Members at Large

Nominee: Margherita Gullusci

Nominee: Lacey Dolman

Nominee: Allie Becker

b) Science/Math room update – Janet (on behalf of the teachers) is asking our PAC for approximately \$3500 to go towards purchasing some new math and science resources for all divisions to have access to. Mrs. Dereume has gone through the catalogues and has compiled a list of items.

c) IRide program – Janet is also asking our PAC to provide \$750 to help pay for the IRide bike program. It’s an excellent bike program with trained professionals teaching bike safety and skills to the students.

d) Playground – Jamie (on behalf of playground committee) is asking our PAC for approximately \$5,000 to go towards enhancing the DPA time for the students (Daily Physical Activity). Surveys were handed out to all students asking them what they would like to see added to their activity carts and classroom bins for outside play time. Some of the student requests were, Hot Wheels cars, skipping ropes, more sports equipment, and more sidewalk chalk. These are just a few of the requests. Jamie has totaled all requests (some items were much bigger, such as more benches) and the total amount came to \$24,000. This includes all of the items on the wish list. The playground account is currently at around \$8,000. The playground committee would like to ask the PAC for an additional \$10,000 total. There has been discussion about installing a gaga pit but the cost for this is around \$6600. It was agreed that the gaga pit will most likely have to wait as it is a big cost.

Allie made a motion to accept the requests that have been brought forward by Janet and Jamie. This includes: Allotting \$3543 towards the math and science program, \$750 towards the IRide program and up to an additional \$10,000 for the playground committee. The motion has been passed. All are in favor.

9. Discussion and items for future consideration:

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, June 13th at 6:00pm

Next Executive Meeting: Friday, June 7th at 1:00pm