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PAC MEETING MINUTES

January 15, 2008

AGENDA TOPICS:

- Welcome
- Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes: moved by Sharon McIntosh, seconded by Cheryll Smith. **Carried.**

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Jump Rope for Heart** – February 1/08 is the Kick Off Assembly at 8:45 am. The actual event will take place in the gym all day on February 14/07. Volunteers are needed to set up the day's events and monitor the action in the gym as classes come in to do their skipping. Also volunteers are needed afterwards to count the money raised. Lise Collins and Vince Boyko have volunteered their time for this event. Others are welcome and required.
- **Hot Lunch** – The program is still in the midst of working out the kinks with the new Healthy Kids Guidelines. It looks as though IGA and Canadian 2 for 1 are on board. Watch for the form to come home in the next few weeks.
- **Carnival Committee** – We need to find a coordinator for this event. A sign up sheet was passed around and some members at the meeting have volunteered to participate.
- **Food Safe Course** – Three parents have volunteered to take the course on January 26, Lisa Kennedy, Cheryll Smith, and Mandy Corbach. Sharon McIntosh moved that "\$150 be spent from the general account to cover the cost of these parents participating in the course". Seconded by Angie Smith. **Carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **COPAC Report** - Sharon McIntosh attended the meeting January 14/08. Discussion regarding the public finance cuts. The school district budget of 165 million was cut by 2 million. This year the 2 million is being made up from a budget surplus last year of 2 million. Next year the cut will be 2 to 5 million. Parents can submit their Priority Questionnaire for cuts online until January 31/08. The COPAC was asked for feedback regarding First Class Communication. Education Week was discussed with schools to showcase their work in various public forums.
- **Treasurer's Report** – attached

- **Principal's Report –**

- February 6 & 7 are the three way Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences. Parents will have their child's assessment in hand before the conference. Dismissal time for these days may be at 12:30 or 12:45; this is yet to be worked out.
- Homework Club – Mrs. Van den Born is supervising children from 11:15 to 11:45 daily. Students must have teacher permission to participate. It is generally for children in grades 4 and up, although exceptions can be made.
- Yearbook – There were presales in November with the price for a yearbook being \$5.00. Now the fee is \$8.00.
- Basketball – Mr. Price and Mr. Wood are coaching the girl's team, and Mr. Allan and Mr. Koop are coaching the boys. Practice times will be coming out in the newsletter.
- Harmony Day – February 11/08. This is a racism free day. The Grade 6 students will be going to a buddy class at Mt. Boucherie to take part in Holocaust activities.
- Time Capsule – Peachland Elementary will contribute a shoe box to the Bennett Bridge for a time capsule. Such things as gas receipts or anything to do with transportation can be submitted. There is an opportunity for the Students, Staff and PAC to participate.
- Peachland 100 year celebration – Tracy Boorman is our liaison.
- Olympic Torch – the Olympic Torch will pass through Peachland in 2009. There will be participation from our students.
- Spirit of BC Week – The Westside Warriors will take part in the big day Feb 16 from 10 until 3. There will be bouncy houses, Shmockey, and other activities.
- Grade 4 Satisfaction Questionnaires will be sent home February 1/08. They contain 27 questions about education in our school.
- Foundation Skills Assessments – This year for the first time these tests will be computer based. They take place from February 1 – 14 and assess Reading Comprehension, Writing Skills, and Numeracy Skills.
- Microwaves – The microwaves will be removed from the school by January 31. There are issues of safe operation, time consuming, supervision, and cleanliness.
- The Principal's Account – Mr. White will be launching a Magazine Subscription Program to fundraise money to be used for our students. Subscription prices are at a savings of up to 40%. This event will take place February 18 – 29.
- DARE graduation is upcoming for 33 grade 5 students. Sharon McIntosh moved that "\$100 from the general account be used for DARE graduation festivities", seconded by Maureen Barkley, **Carried**.
- The Westside Warriors are coming to the school January 31 to play floor hockey with the Grade 6 students. Some sort of lottery will take place to determine which kids get to play. The Warriors will then read with the primary students in the afternoon.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **PAC Recruitment** – the PAC is in much need of new members. Our President and Vice President will no longer be at the school next year, and our Treasurer has indicated she will not be able to fill the position next year. An event will be planned to try and recruit some new parents.
- **Cup Stacking Pack** – This is a competitive event that is fun for kids of all ages. The packs are reasonable priced and generate a lot of fun. Sharon moved that "10 cup stacking kits be purchased from the general account", seconded by Mandy Corbach, Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 PM

**FYI: Next PAC meeting is February 12/08
Free Babysitting is available**