

ASES PAC Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2024

Meeting called to order by Bryan at 6:34

Approval of Agenda

Adoption of February and March Minutes – Michelle motions, Amber seconds, approved

In Attendance:

Bryan T, Mrs Farquhar (Principal), Danielle N, Michelle H, Amber D, Elisa H,

Principal Report – Kirsten Farquhar

- Land Acknowledgement
- Speakers and presentations – Friday was Chief Frank Antoine from Bonaparte First Nations with amazing information and connections. On the 19th, a Paralympian Greg Stewart coming to speak. Tribal Dance group coming in May. Rockology will come back May 7th. Physical Physics May 24. All paid for through district funds
- Wildlife Park costs keep going up - \$22 per student including bus. So keep it in mind for teacher requests
- May 9th ASES Track and Field – Concession run by PAC would be awesome

President Report – Bryan

- Miss Cruz was wondering what funds are available for end of year party
- Teachers wondering about their requests and if they've been approved (McKay and Dhaliwal) Big Little Science Centre and Wildlife Park – total of \$420.
- We need to make teachers aware that they can request more than their allotment – each year will be different if we are able to do more
- PAC Email was sent a message from Jeannine and says she has kids in the school who are celiac with other special food needs. Food choices that are available do not work for her kids. Other parents also looking for GF

options. – Reach out to parents to reach out to Bryan to see if there are any acceptable options for us to be able to add. Michelle to investigate options of the vendors we're using. Michelle to start with what options and then we can bring that to the parents.

- Bryan would like to increase student allotment for next year for teachers to be able to spend more

Vice President Report – Amber

- Nothing to report

Treasurer Report – Brandi – Not Present

- We will have to do the Treasurer's Report by email – Bryan was able to get statements to her this afternoon
- We need more information on the PAC meeting budgets with line items to see itemized line by line what happened that month. Maybe start with looking at Brenda's old reports for a starting point
- Blazers cheque took too long to cash so we need to get it re-written. Michelle to take the old cheque to the office to get rewritten.
- We need to be able to provide any parent who walks in here with a detailed explanation of where the money goes.
- We need to be able to see what cheques have been written to see what has not been cashed. Teacher names and the activity should be referenced in the comments.
- If we aren't doing gaming budgeting and banking, we can't get a grant.
- Can Brandi meet with DPAC representative (Bonnie) and their treasurer (Jen) to help with knowing how these reports need to be done so we can apply for gaming grants. If there are concerns that go back to Brenda, then we need to get her involved.

Committee Reports

DPAC

- January and February Highlights attached – Bonnie willing to come to one of our meetings and do a PAC 101. – DPAC does parent education monthly – DPAC is a wealth of resources – DPAC is looking to have

every PAC's constitution and bylaws and budgets so they can help – Accessible playground equipment is going to BCSTA as one of their resolutions – Some discussions about budget and overcrowding and need for capital investment – DPAC has a capital funding subcommittee to have a voice – Resolution regarding sports equipment and getting special funding due to such high costs – Provincial announcement regarding cell phone use in schools – talk about communication between school board and PAC

- Gaming Grant Application period is OPEN – Amber to take on the application
- The district has the movie license – the principal just has to reach out to get the license so that we can run movie nights – maybe we could run that as a fundraiser – add on a concession – Elisa is happy to volunteer to do that
- Kamloops Thompson Honor Choir auditions – available for students from grade 2-6 – Elisa to share this information to ASES and Mrs. Farquhar could announce it.

Fundraising Committee

- Amber to donate her expenses to the PAC – Bryan can now finish Valentine's report
- Raffle Basket report still needs to be filed – Brandi needed online information to print reports – Bryan to ask Brandi for detailed report
- Which events/fundraisers are our favourites? Movie Nights – BBQ – Meat Sales – Art Cards – Passive Fundraising (Mabel's Labels, etc) – Cobra Clothing (Elisa will do quotes for clothing) – Craft Fair – Tomato Plants

Hot Lunch – Michelle

- Hot Lunch Options for Celiac friends
- We are signed up for the Munch a Lunch trial session – getting written information that it's a flat fee – Maritte and Michelle to play around with it

- Veggie boxes were cancelled due to not enough interest and minimum of 40 boxes needing to be sold. Cheques need to be written to two people to refund their order.
- We need to figure out better marketing.
- Cobra Clothing – order was closed February 29th. Wrong one was sent. Was told there is a minimum order. Bryan to follow up with original email telling us there was no minimum order. Order is opened back up and Michelle will market it. Will try to get order in soon enough to get for Track and Field Day. – poster to be put on PAC board and on website
- Amber still needs hot lunch email

Sunshine committee – Sarah – Not present

- No report

Fruit and Veggie Program – Bryan

- All good

Old Business

- New Bank – research shows Vancity is the way to go – through Credit Unions – Amber to move forward with that
- Amber to order Square

New Business

- Gaming Grant – Amber will apply
- Back to School BBQ – Bryan will get information from previous years and put it all together – tentative date: September 26, 2024 – Bryan and Amber to take the lead and ask Amanda and Sarah to be involved for her expertise
- Art Cards – Michelle would love to run it and will look into booking them
- Potentially change PAC meeting day next year to get more people involved and to be able to have bank statements available

Teacher Requests

- McKay/Dhaliwal \$420 for Big Little Science Centre and Wildlife Park – Michelle makes a motion to approve, Amber seconds, all in favor.

- Cruz Funds for year end party – She has spent \$500 – Bryan to email Miss Cruz to tell her to send PAC a request with an amount on it to make an approval to use the excess gaming grant funds.

Next Meeting – May 6, at 6:30pm in the library

Meeting Adjourned at 8:13 by Bryan