

Upper Pine PAC Meeting
June 9th, 2021

Attendance

Pam, Madison, Stephanie, Danielle, Melanie, Sarah, Hannah, Mrs. Braun, Mrs. Smith (parent), and Tanya (via zoom).

Call to Order

Pam called the meeting to order at 3:32pm

Review Agenda and Minutes from Previous Meetings

No additions to the agenda

Sarah motions to approve the amended May meeting minutes. Melanie seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

Reports

Principals Report

See attached below.

Mrs. Braun will ask the district more questions about the Joyful Literacy Program.

The PAC asked Mrs. Braun to please send a newsletter towards the end of the year outlining what next year may look like.

Treasurers Report

General bank balance on June 9th is \$19,402.96.

Gaming bank balance on June 9th is \$3,707.97.

Still needing an invoice for the concrete tables. Madison and Pam also have receipts to be submitted.

Grade 8 awards, year end bussing, and fun day expenses still need to be accounted for and paid.

Danielle motions to accept the June '21 treasurer report. Madison seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

Fundraising Report

Thank you, Pam for handing out flowers.

Fertilizer fundraiser did not have much success.

PAC decides to sign up for Fall Dieleman's fundraiser to capitalize on better profits. Pam will follow up with rep.

Pam talked to Norbert at the flower farm and told him we would be interested in the fundraiser again in May 2022.

DPAC/SUPAC

Hannah

DPAC held their AGM and elected positions.
Zoom license not being renewed.
PAC gaming applications are due June 30th.

SUPAC – hoping to know more about mask protocol at the end of June. Till the end of June, all protocols will stay the same.

Joyful Literacy program for K-3 – district is covering fees. Hannah asked Mrs. Braun for more information for our school.

Volunteer

This hot lunch was difficult to find volunteers. Thank you for helping, Madison, Tanya, and Heather.

Hot Lunch/Sign

Thank you, Stephanie.

Other

Pam attended the BCCPAC AGM. There is another extraordinary meeting on July 7th. Pam will also attend.
Pam and Hannah attended the parent conferences.

New Business

Fun Day

PAC Meal – Taco in a bag, hot dogs, watermelon, water bottles, freezies. Pam motions the PAC spends up to \$750 for Fun Day expenses. Sarah seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

PAC will need 7 volunteers to help. Danielle will put out a notice closer too.

Kitchen Clean Up

PAC volunteers will come in to help clean and make a checklist for Mrs. Braun. There are 6 stations = 6 volunteers. Mr. Warbinek has used some of his hot dog profit money to purchase new frying pans for the stations already. Volunteers will come clean June 21st.

Mrs. Gilmour correspondence

Mrs. Gilmour requested to sell the TV the PAC purchased and use the proceeds to buy books for the library. Pam will contact Mrs. Gilmour directly.

Other

Madison has volunteered to continue to do the "Feature the Teacher" segment at the start of the year next year. She will also include the EA's and Admin staff.

Conclusion

Pam adjourned the meeting at 5:19pm. Next meeting will be September 13th at 3pm in the library.

Principal's report - year end 2021

Teachers are both excited and a bit overwhelmed with the month of June. It has been a while since we have done a full year end.

Assessments are almost complete and report card writing is in full swing. Having electronic report cards does offer teachers the opportunity to change any grades or even comments if things drastically change between now and the end of the year. And of course, some teachers still have ongoing projects that need to be completed.

Discover E camps have been happening - this was an opportunity given by the Careers program at the High school with interactive exploration of Robotics for Grade 3, Electrical Engineering for Grade 4 and Biomedical Engineering for Grade 8.

Apple Schools - Ms Rutz and Mrs. Gilmour are closing out the year with our final meeting with the Facilitator next Monday. We do have one volunteer for the breakfast program, it would be nice if we had a few more volunteers even if they could not come every week.

Field trips have been already happening with a few more already planned. The Grade 8's have some extra trips planned for their year-end activities as the COVID regulations for schools will not be changing this school year. They will be doing their Dr. Kearney orientation on the 23rd with chances to meet teachers as well as a tour of the school.

Last Day will be June 24th - this will be a 11:41 dismissal. We will be handing out report cards as well as any awards to individual students so the certificates and plaques will be going home that day.

June dates: This list does not include the field trip dates for individual classes.

June 10th - Relay for Life

June 11th - The 80's spirit day

June 18th - Cross Country Run challenge and "Character Day"

June 22nd - Fun day

June 24th - Last day for the 20/21 school year.

Next year:

September 7th - first day of school - dismissal at 10:41am

September 15th - first full day of school for kindergarten students

Divisions/Classes:

This always seems stressful to parents as well as the teachers. With ongoing registrations and inquiries into registration we are right now in a holding pattern. We will not be setting classes until the fall, until we see the whites of their eyes and sitting at a desk. Thank you to those that have put in their requests for next year, as always, your requests will be considered, all should realize that is only one of the considerations when looking at the best placement for each child.

As in past years the school will be purchasing supplies for all the primary students k - 3. If there is a possibility of a 3/4 split, we will notify parents of Grade 4 students to hold off purchasing supplies until we know what type of Divisions we will have.

Yearbook will look different this year. The online program required more time than any of us had anticipated, and it did not happen. We are however working on an online option that seems to be much quicker - Ms. Rutz and I are confident it will be ready before the end of the year.

It has been a different year, it has been a challenging year in many different aspects but following in Mr. Petrucci's words - we are one of the few school districts in the entire world that have not closed at all this year. We do look forward to things being different in the fall - and some of the changes we have made will be staying with us - for example, the entrance/exits for the 2's and 3's - those will continue for next year.

We have done well, and we have done it together. Thank you all for your support.

Mrs. Melody Braun