

Upper Pine PAC Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2021

Call to Order

Pam called the meeting to order at 2:57PM

Review Agenda & Minutes from Previous Meeting

Request for Additions to Agenda

No Additions

Motion to Approve Agenda

Melanie motions to approve the September meeting agenda, Tanya seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

Motion to Approve Last Meetings Minutes

Pam motions to approve the June meeting minutes, Sarah seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

Correspondence

None

Old Business

Yearbook

Link does not work. Mrs. Braun will talk to Ms. Rutz at the staff meeting tomorrow (Sept 15).

Library TV

Mrs. Gilmour's Facebook auction did not work out as expected. Mrs. Braun will talk to Mrs. Gilmour about setting up a silent auction for the TV at the Open House tentatively planned for Sept 28th.

Gazebo Sign

Pam asked Bradley McGinnis over the summer if he would build something to hang the sign on the gazebo. She will follow up with him.

Skate Shack

Has the window been repaired? Mrs. Braun does not know yet – she will check.

Teacher Participation

PAC is planning to discontinue the Teacher Participation program. Will discuss at next meetings how to proceed and how to best support teachers.

Reports

Treasurers Report

General Account Balance at Sept 14/21 is \$17,422.10

Gaming Account Balance at Sept 14/21 is \$814.72

Pam & Danielle will do up a budget in the next couple of months when the PAC decides what the focus will be on this year.

Gaming grant money should be coming this month.

Gaming annual report is due October 31/21.

Bursary – needs to come out of the general account going forward. Pam will call the high school to make sure our bursary is on the list of available bursaries given to the high school students.

Danielle motions to adopt and accept the September treasurer report. Stephanie seconds. All in favour – motion passed.

Fundraising Report

Dieleman's

Pam messaged Dieleman's to go forward with the Fall Fundraiser. Will confirm with them and order catalogues and order forms. Will plan to have the order forms out by Thanksgiving and have orders back by the end of November. Plan to only send catalogues out to the oldest child in the school only.

Fertilizer

1 or 2 bags left in skate shack. Pam will confirm that everyone who ordered received theirs.

DPAC/SUPAC

Sarah will email DPAC/Corrie Bennie to find out when the next meeting is. Probably around Sept 28th. Sarah and Stephanie plan to attend.

Principals Report

Mrs. Braun spent last week figuring out classes. They have added another teacher/division. Classes this year are:

K – Mr. Smith

K/1 – Mrs. Smith

1/2 – Mr. Driedger

2/3 – Ms. King

3/4 – Mrs. Johnson

4/5 – Mr. Warbinek

5/6 – Ms. Suchoszek

7/8 – Mr. Neufeld.

LA/Library – Mrs. Gilmour

Prep – Ms. Wieler

Support – Mrs. Babcock, Ms. Rutz, Mrs. Sutherland

ISSW – Ms. Amber Green

Mrs. Braun has posted a 0.88 position for a supporting English language teacher/prep/Apple school etc. person. She has also posted at 0.2 position for an Indigenous Support Worker to help out at the Blueberry School.

Mr. Smith has been preparing for kindergarten to start Sept 15th.

Pancake breakfast is scheduled for Sept 17 – Mrs. Braun still needs volunteers if anyone is available.

X-Country run was scheduled to start Sept 20 at Upper Pine. Mrs. Braun will reschedule this meet as it conflicts with a funeral and also election day.

Ms. Green is planning a Fall Gathering for Sept 21 – almost like a mini Doig Day's for Upper Pine K-8.

School planning day is Sept 24th – lunch provided. PAC is invited, please let Mrs. Braun know who is coming for the morning.

September 27th – X-Country Run scheduled for 1PM in Taylor. Mrs. Smith will send a newsletter shortly.

September 29th – Orange Shirt Day – forms have gone out, but Mrs. Braun will double check with teachers because there is confusion over who brought home.

September 29th – Hot Lunch forms are due for school hot lunches.

September 30th – No school – Truth & Reconciliation Day.

Volunteers – love to have, please book ahead and sign in. Masks required. Criminal record checks required – ask Mrs. Hynes if yours is still good.

Ready/Set/Learn – hope to start by October (1 more year under Apple Schools for funding).

Mrs. Braun is teaching 2.5 hours a week in grade 7/8 class.

Open House – tentatively planned for Sept 28th from 6:30 - 8. Cannot congregate in gym like normal. Plan to having baking, iced tea/lemonade/hot water for tea and instant coffee in each classroom instead. Pam will purchase drink supplies.

Mrs. Braun asked the PAC if we would be interested in starting the process of fundraising for a new playground (far playground for intermediates)? Chad from the district said it usually takes about 2-3 years and 200-300K. Pam mentioned that the

BCCPAC is trying to change that it is up to the parents to provide funding for these playgrounds. PAC will discuss at future meetings.

For school snacks – no peanuts. Other nuts ok.

Team Sports – Cross Country starts in September. Soccer (fun) – Oct 1/2. Volleyball starts in October for intermediate students.

New Business

Bursary

Pam will confirm with high school that Upper Pine's bursary is on their list. Pam also presented the idea that our bursary name be changed to the John Kramer Memorial Bursary or create a new bursary in memory of John.

Kindergarten Welcome

Pam will come to the school Wednesday morning to talk to parents and hand out PAC information.

Newsletter

Pam will send out shortly and include volunteer forms.

Hot Lunch Coordinator

Position still unfilled. Pam will talk to Louise more and can discuss at next meeting.

Feature the Teacher

Madison will continue Feature the Teacher this year.

Other

Pam and Danielle will talk to Madison about a write up to post on the Upper Pine reminders page regarding the passing of John Kramer.

Danielle is going to update the Facebook page so it's not a page within a page.

Conclusion

Meeting Adjourned at 4:25PM.

Next meeting is schedule for October 19th at 3PM

