

## Sidney Elementary School PAC Meeting

The regular meeting of Sidney PAC was called to order by:  
Kristina Littlejohns at 6:30pm on December 12, 2017

### **PRESENT:**

Kristina Littlejohns, Christine Etele, Christina Smith, Christina M Smith, Adi Parker, Lesley Goodwin, Shea MacKenzie, Anita Dzus-Spady, Jessi Petrick, Tara Varma, Rachel Goddard, Jessie Wellbourn, Tom Vickers,

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda distributed by Kristina Littlejohns, approved by Christina Smith and seconded by Rachel Goddard.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion was made by Kristina Littlejohns, seconded by Rachel Goddard to approve the minutes of November 12th 2017 with one change noted. Christina Smith was opposed to the change back to previous system having office pay teachers for expenses.

### **ADMINISTRATION: Principal - Tom Vickers**

Anawim House presentation scheduled for next week December 19th. The children have all been chosen from each classroom.

Tech Tuesdays - we continue working with North Saanich Middle School on this program. We have about 40 kids involved in this and another 40 that are playing in the gym so 80 kids at the school and engaged before 8:00am. We are trying to engage kids by building more physical literacy.

Freshgrade - we are the only school in the district that has every teacher using fresh grade in some capacity. Year 1 teachers are still creating a regular report card while year 2 users are embedding the report card within fresh grade.

School Absenteeism - Chronic absenteeism is a huge problem down the road for vulnerable students who are at risk for dropping out down the road. There is a pattern of families who are absent or late frequently. We need to be aware of the magnitude of what happens when there are a lot of absences.

Appreciation to Jessie Wellbourne for the Sidney Bee-liefs Posters.

New TV in entrance just activated today. It can be used to build connections throughout the learning environment at school.

Outdoor Learning Classroom - the district has been specific on the company it wants to use. It will be going through the Superintendent. Sidney Rotary has approved some funding but will not have the exact amounts until February.

### **EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**

#### **PRESIDENT/CHAIR - Kristina Littlejohns**

Army and Navy Airforce Veterans Canada in Sidney invited us to come for a presentation and to receive a cheque from them on Friday November 24th. They donated \$1500 to the PAC. It was a wonderful experience and they love seeing the kids. Everyone shares a little bit about who they are and what the donation will be going towards. We are the only school group to receive a donation from them. It was suggested that we provide a child decorated thank you card or a classroom poster - something to show our appreciation.

**VICE PRESIDENT - Jessi Petrick (Nothing to report)**

**TREASURER - Christina Smith**

Gaming budget sitting at about \$8000.

Saw an \$8400 profit from Holiday Raffle.

Bad Mom's Movie Night saw \$714 profit.

We are sitting above the projected amount for all areas.

**SECRETARY - Liz Richmond/Anita Dzus-Spady - (Nothing to report)**

**COMMUNICATIONS - Jessie Wellbourne and Heather Carley (Absent) -** Kristina spoke for Jessie as she was absent. They are having trouble getting into the website, they are working on it with help from the district. Asked if there were any other parents able to help out with the Monday Morning Meetings.

**FUNDRAISING CO-ORDINATOR - Christine Etele**

Holiday Fair: It was very successful with 39 vendors. Suggested to find out the cost to have janitors in the school on the Saturday so that we can expand the fair out towards the Learning Commons. We will stick to more hot drinks/ and bake sales rather than a full hot lunch. We will send a thank you to all the reading volunteers who also donated baked goods. We will be using the ATM again next year.

Raffle: We sold about 9000 tickets. Once the prizes were distributed we made about \$8328 profit. It was very lucrative fundraiser and at a good time of year.

Movie night: Was successful with a profit over \$700. We partnered with Keating Elementary. It was a good network approach and a social aspect to it. We are looking at doing one again the spring.

Seeding will be coming out in January where we get 40% of the orders.

End of January/early February we will start to plan the Spring Fling.

We will also hold another in school family movie night in February.

**HOT LUNCH PROGRAM - Maggie duMonceaux (absent) -** We will talk to Maggie in the New Year

**BREAKFAST CLUB - Terrisa Tate (absent) -** Kristina spoke for her. She is looking for additional helpers. Shea can commit to Tuesdays and Lesley will do Thursday mornings. Anita will be recycling milk containers after hot lunches.

Lost and found items will be packed up in January.

**Meeting Adjourned 7:47 pm.**

**Next meeting January 16, 2018 at 6:30pm.**