

RF Morrison PAC Committee Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2011

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

In attendance:

Crystal Radocaj, Co-Chair
Members of the community

Suzanne Zdanuk, Co-Chair

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Principal's Report:

- **December 1 - 7:00 PM** - One hour presentation of "Fostering Healthy Body Image in Children" sponsored by the Women's Health Clinic.
- **MPUE** - Principal's session on Tuesday, November 1. Great opportunity to meet MPUE reps and other principals of bilingual programs.
- **Bilyk's Bench** - has arrived and will be placed in the front hall.
- **Winter Fun Day** - will be held at Maples Arena, December 21st.
- **Halloween Sock Hop** - Thanks to PAC for hosting and sponsoring the event. Everyone had a great time!
- **Brush Out Poverty** - Assembly on Thursday, Nov. 27 at 1:00 p.m. was a huge success.
- **Farm to School Fundraiser** - Fundraiser was a huge success, raising over \$1,500 for charity.
- **Recycled Notepads** - Note pads and they will be for sale during the Parent-Student-teacher conferences. Proceeds will go to the Healthy Living Program
- **Hearing and Vision Screening** - Ongoing through November. Thanks to all parents who have volunteered.
- **School Evacuation Drill** - held on November 3rd. The entire school practiced the evacuation drill (including Sadok). Everyone walked to Garden City Collegiate (primary evacuation site) and lined up for roll call. There will be a practice for lockdown drills at the end of November.
- **Choir Performance** - December 20th - A.M. - English Grades 4 and 5 choir will be singing at St. Joseph's Residence and P.M. - Ukrainian Gr. 4, 5 and 6 choir singing at Holy Family Home.

3. MPUE Report - Paulette Monita

- Grade 4 Leo Mol Field Trip - date to still be determined. Will be held at the Japanese Centre.
- Grade 5 Legislature Trip - date to still be determined.
- Grade 6 Language Camp - May 16-18, 2012 - Fundraising??
- Vegreville Trip - Cost of trip \$400/student - deposits in by Nov 30.
- Santa Clause Parade - Nov 12th - Winnipeg, Nov 18th - Selkirk.
- Beethoven Christmas Adventure - Movie is set to release to DVD in November. MPUE was included in this movie. Date to be determined for a screening/fundraiser night.
- Parent Info Sheet - MPUE will provide a parent contact sheet to the parents during the November 25th teacher conference. Info will be used to distribute newsletters or special events directly to the parents.
- Updating School Website - MPUE would like to have their minutes/a link to their minutes on the schools website.
- Ukrainian Parent Sub Committee - Creating a sub committee that could support the teachers in organizing extra cultural activities. Reporting to PAC on the activity that will take place or for further discussion/approval.

4. Teachers Report - Ms. Klimenko

- Social Justice - Winnipeg Harvest donations - Bins will be delivered end of November to collect food for Winnipeg Harvest. Room 8 will be sorting and tallying all items donated. The class who donates the most will be invited to Winnipeg Harvest to sort, wrap and view the facilities.
- 2 families from RF Morrison will receive Christmas Hampers this year.
- Thanks to the parents of PAC for all their effort and hard work on behalf of the teachers
- The school is collecting any gloves, mittens, scarves to keep at the school in case students need some during the winter months.

3. Hot Lunch Program

Dorothy Miller, Noelle Yackel and Lisa Radlinsky have agreed to take on the role of hot lunch coordinators. Their role will be to facilitate the lunches, organize volunteers and to “check-in” with PAC on a monthly basis in regards to costs, profits and ideas.

Future Hot Lunch/Events Dates:

December 15 - Boston Pizza

January 27 - Kraft Dinner

February - Pancake Breakfast

March 15 - Lunch -TBA

April 12 - Lunch - TBA

April 19 - Spring Fling

May 11 - Lunch -TBA

June 15 - Lunch - TBA

5. Fundraising

FunScrip gift cards fundraiser to begin end of November.

New Bothwell Cheese and/or Bloomers Nursery - in April/May for fundraising.

6. PAC Bank Account

Current balance is \$6,943.84. We still have \$1,044.74 to come out for Mr. Bilyk's bench. Balance will then be \$5,899.10.

It was agreed that there should be a balance of \$1,500 in the PAC account at all times.

***Just a reminder that volunteers are needed for the Barefoot Gym Program. Please let us know if anyone is willing to volunteer.*

NEXT PAC MEETING: Monday, January 23, 2012 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Please contact the school in advance to arrange for free babysitting services for those parents who are in attendance.

Thank you to everyone who came out to our November PAC Meeting. Your opinion and involvement is important and appreciated!