

RF Morrison PAC Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2017

Attendance: K. Debets, P. Bugera Krawchuk, J. Marcelline, P. Monita, L. Pimentel, R. Brevi

Staff: S. Rosenberg, C. Sawka, R. Todaschuk

1. **Introductions**
2. **Bank balance:** \$3616.83
3. **Teacher Report** – provided by Rosemarie Todaschuk
 - a. Seven Oaks School Division Performing Arts Centre: Mrs. Todaschuk, K Debets and P Bugera Krawchuk attended a session for school ambassadors to see and learn about the new Performing Arts Centre being built at GCCI for the Division. The stage is 60' x 60' (same size as Rainbow Stage) and seats 525 people, it is accessible and has a sound and digital booth.

Action: PAC agreed that we would send an email to RFM families prior to the December concerts so we could do a collection at the door. K. Debets and P. Bugera Krawchuk will get in touch with the fundraisers and see if we could get the banner, theatre chair and tiles so families could see what the donations could be used for (ie: depending on how much is raised we could do a tile for RF Morrison School, a theatre seat, etc
4. **Principal Report** – C Sawka
 - a. Total student enrollment: 316 consisting of 130 in the EUBP and 186 in the English stream
 - b. BBQ was a success – thank you to all who volunteered!
 - c. Students in gr 1, 2, 3 have begun their learn to skate program
 - d. One class of grade 4 has begun their learn to swim program – others will follow throughout the year
 - e. Every Tues and Thurs morning there are 31 students from U of M in 5 different classrooms in the school as part of their course work.
 - f. School brochure for the EUBP is in final edit stage
 - g. BEST (Bicycle Education Safety and Training) involves students from grades 4 – 6. Program started last week and will wrap up by the end of the month.
 - h. Monday, October 16 – no school - Divisional professional development day – all are welcome. The morning is on mental health at the Centennial Concert Hall and the afternoon will be back at RFM with a speaker on resilience.
 - i. Oct 17 Lvivski Muzeke performing at the school in the afternoon
 - j. Oct 19 55th anniversary of RF Morrison assembly
 - k. Oct 20 SAGE – no school
 - l. Oct 25, 26 staff retreat at Hecla – no classes for students those days
 - m. Registered Dietitian A Pohorecky came to present to staff about the division of responsibility in feeding
 - n. Halloween bags from MPI

- o. Winter concerts taking place Tuesday, December 12 (Ukr), Wednesday, December 13 (Eng) at Maples Commons
- p. Joint meeting with Forrest Park PAC– principal David Ingram suggested RFM and Forrest Park PAC’s have a joint meeting so we can view their playground and outdoor classroom and learn about the grants they were successful in being awarded. Next PaC meeting will be Tuesday, Nov 7 – at Forrest Park School at 6:00 pm

5. Manitoba Parents for Ukrainian Education (MPUE) Report: P Monita

- a. Documentary Project: two students from MET school including an alumni from RFM, are creating a documentary about the English Ukrainian Bilingual Program in Manitoba. If there are any school specific activities scheduled for the program, let them know in advance so they can capture it for the documentary. They will be attending the grade 5 trip to the Legislative Building on Thursday, Nov 2
- b. Other events and field trips being planned for the year include: Santa Claus Parade on November 18, Language camp – April 25 – 26, Grade 4 Leo Mol and multi-cultural field trip early May. MPUE would appreciate if RFM could send an email to families immediately following Halloween letting them know they can donate any leftover Halloween candy to be handed out with the float in the Santa Claus Parade. RFM PAC will put \$100 towards the purchase of candy for the parade and P Monita will purchase it and submit receipts.

6. Fundraising:

- a. Hot Lunch, Nov 23 Subway, December 21 (Smoothie) for the afternoon nutrition break. That day will also be the staff brunch, PAC will ask for parent volunteers to help supervise classrooms and the outdoor recess in the morning. We will need about 14 volunteers, January 26 hot lunch.
- b. Readathon – over a 2 week period during I Love to Read Month (exact dates TBD) students collect pledges either as a flat fee, per half hour of reading or per book. PAC could work with school librarian to determine milestone prizes (ie: bookmarks, erasers, etc) and plan related events like “come dressed as your favourite book character”. All funds raised would be put towards the new playground/green space.
- c. PAC will be offering a raffle for “prime seating” at the winter concerts. This would include reserved parking and front center row seating on a sofa. All funds raised will go towards the commemorative tile/seat/window screen at the new Seven Oaks Performing Arts Center.
- d. Halloween – PAC will supply a pumpkin for each classroom and work on getting a potential celebrity judge to help select winning designs in three categories: 1 – Most Spooktacular, Most Canadian (in honor of Canada 150), and the Silliest. Details to come.