

R.F. MORRISON PAC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2011 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Crystal Radocaj, Co-Chair Suzanne Zdanuk, Co-Chair

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Principal's Report:

- **Bilyk's Bench** – has been ordered. A decision needs to be made as to where to place the bench on the school grounds.
- **Staffing** – We have a new day custodian. As well, in order to accommodate our growing numbers, we a new half time teacher, who will teach music, phys. ed. and dance.
- **Brush Out Poverty** – Assembly on Thursday, Nov. 27 at 1:00 p.m. We will be having an African entertainer and the unveiling of our paintings from Africa.
- **“Fostering Healthy Body Image in Children”** – sponsored by the Women's Health Clinic. Offering a facilitated discussion on what healthy body image is and why it's important. (1 hour presentation). School counsellor will facilitate.
- **Swimming/Skating Update** – Gr. 4s in two classes started swimming today, the third class starts in January. Skating continues for grade 1s.
- **Teacher Candidates** – we will be hosting 3 teacher candidates from the U of M starting in November. This is a wonderful learning opportunity for them and for your children, as well as a way for our teachers to give back to their profession.
- **Patrol Outing** – to corn maze tomorrow. The new divisional coordinator is trying to offer some more active and healthy choices for patrol outings.
- **Construction Site** – repairs from the June water main break in front of the school have finally begun. Concrete has been poured. Landscaping was started today.

3. Staff request

Request for PAC to provide funds to purchase shoelaces for the Shoelace Club.

4. Halloween

Halloween Gym confirmed for October 28th. Halloween Sock Hop confirmed for Oct. 31st.

5. Lunch Lady Program

Majority members of the PAC in attendance voted to discontinue the Lunch Lady Program citing high costs, low profit and poor quality as the reason.

Co-chairs requested volunteers to head up a Lunch Coordinator sub-committee to prepare menus, distribute information and serve lunches. Request to appear in November newsletter.

5. Fundraising

Show and Save pizza lunch to be held in November for eligible students.

A vote was taken with attending members to choose between Sobey's gift cards or Fundsript. The majority vote went to Fundsript. Fundraiser to be implemented for mid November.

A parent offered to organize a fundraiser through Norwex offering a 25% profit and no shipping or taxes.

Future suggestions included: Boston Pizza Restaurant fundraiser and heart shaped sausage.

It was suggested that we state what funds are being raised for. It was discussed and agreed upon that all future sale items (yogurt, etc.) should be pre-ordered to ensure that all children have an opportunity to purchase a product and to keep sales organized. All products sold to be nut free!

6. MPUE

Has requested and was granted approval to do a standing agenda report at each meeting.

MPUE will be having a float in the Santa Claus Parade on November 12th and is requesting volunteers to walk the float. Anyone interested is to contact MPUE for more details.

NEXT PAC MEETING: Wednesday, November 16, 2011, 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 October PAC Meeting. Your opinion and involvement is important and appreciated!