



Minutes for February 13th, 2019

Attendance Jacob Buurma, Jasmine Haere, Tiffanie Hanoski, Vanessa Lloyd, Cindy Harte, Breena Blazkow, Leann Trenchard, Tuire Tammilento, Julianna Moore, Akos Zsufa

Call to Order at 7:11 pm by Jacob

Adoption of meeting agenda by Jacob- Seconded by Tiffanie

Meeting minutes from January- Jacob moved to accept, seconded by Tiffanie

Standing Items

Administration Report (Cindy)

- Grade 4/5 is now through the Sheep Dog program- Remainder of grades will take the program in April.
- Grandfather Trolls musical concert booked for next week.
- Kindergarten registration happened last week- 50 students was the go to number. There will be 2 Kindergarten classes and one K/1 split class- currently 46 students coming into Kindergarten.
- There will be one additional division next year- computer lab will be dismantled and instruction will happen on mobile devices.
- Some great literacy groups have been meeting recently.
- Ready, set, learn open house is being hosted on February 21st: to expose children to school, not for those entering Kindergarten.
- PAC fridge has stopped working- is a new one needed at this time? Jacob may know a repair person and will contact them.

Treasurer's Report (Tiffanie)

- Financial account is in good shape- Tiffanie just did the deposit for all the hot lunches- they generate the most funds
- Suggestion to have hot lunch platform open year round so parents can purchase at any time, in installments etc. Other schools do this as long as orders are placed 2 weeks in advance.

New Business:

- Breena Blazkow- New reading books RFE proposal- would like 7-10 books for levels 1-16 for each of levels 9-22 for each Grade 2 classroom. Request is for \$6739.95 + taxes and shipping but the program would be appreciative of any funds possible. The current books do not go past level 19 and are photocopied paper books. The leveled books also have comprehension tips on the adjacent pages for parents to assist. Breena would also like a stamp marking books as "Torquay PAC Home Reading Program" so they remain property of the school and get returned. Breena would like to be able to order these before Spring Break and use them for the remainder of the school year.
- Jacob- Emergency Preparedness Supplies- lots of research done on costing of missing supplies: 3 pop up events, toileting buckets, some basic classroom supplies, sand bags, canopies, tarps. Looking at a total cost of about \$800-\$900. PAC voted to spend half of the budgeted emergency funds (\$1200) on what is needed.

- Jacob- Communication- presented a quick communications audit on how the school admin and parent community get in touch with each other-current ideas and some of what other schools are done. Jacob asked that the PAC starts to think on the future of communications.
- Portable possession date is now in early March.
- Jasmine raised concerns on transparency issues from the school/district on the portable updates, music program changes etc. Feels like changes are getting made without the parents being informed. Cindy raised the point that the music program changes are aligned with the current curriculum. At the last meeting Cindy asked if parents want a survey sent out and it was decided not to as it is not part of the current curriculum so email concerns would be collected instead. There were zero applicants for the over flow music position.
- PAC closed vote for home reading program replacement books- approved for \$8000

Meeting adjourned: at 8:40 pm by Jacob

Actions To Be Carried forward from February 13th meeting-

Defer the PAC exec roles for 2018/2019 to the April PAC meeting

2018/2019 PAC Meeting Schedule:

Wednesday October 3rd, 18
Wednesday November 14th, 18
Wednesday January 9th, 19
Wednesday February 13th, 19
Wednesday April 10th, 19
Wednesday May 8th, 19 (AGM)