

Lord Beaconsfield PAC Minutes

Wednesday, December 4, 2019, 6pm

The purpose of the Council is to support, encourage and improve the quality of education and well being of students at Lord Beaconsfield Elementary School.

INFORMATION ITEMS (ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT)

Attendees: Rose, Ali, Kathy, Petra, Lani, Carleen, Sandy, Aaron, April, Jules

1. WELCOME

- a. PAC Group Photo for PAC Bulletin Board (to be taken at the end of the meeting)
- b. Approve minutes from last meeting- October and November done.
- c. Next PAC meeting moved to January 15, 2020 (and not the 1st week back!)

2. Principal's Message – Lani Morden

- -Biliana Ward in on Nov 18th and 25th to visit and throughout year, she'll come back in to see all grades.
- -'Play First' model for Grade 3's being done while Grade 4-7s are eating and then they switch. In the new year, K-Grade 2 will switch to 'Play First' and eat second while Grade 3s are mentoring. Feedback: some kids aren't getting so hungry, lunch room is quieter, lunches are going back into bags after lunch and less lunch bags are being left behind.
- -skating happening
- -Dec 5th- Peter Pan at Carrousel Theater
- -Dec 6-12 Hip Hop Residency
- -Scholastic Book Fair brought in almost \$4900 to library and the school.
- -outdoor supervisors running outdoor soccer at recess and lunch to increase safety and student happiness
- -Aaron Davis (Director of Instruction) came Dec 3 for a visit
- -Winter Break coming soon!! Dec 20th to Jan5th.
- **3.** PENDING ACTION ITEM: Voting a new treasurer -Kathy and Julia stepping up to manager treasurer duties in the meantime. Action: We will re-visit if anyone wants to be a treasurer in January.
- 4. BUDGET Approval- budget reviewed by Julia.
 - a. Funds for student without breakfast and lunch (Ali)-
 - -Ali suggests \$200 contingency fund put aside for lunch/breakfast for students. Beaconsfield has a breakfast and lunch program already but this would be used at Lani's discretion. **Motion put forth by Ali and second by Julia.**
 - b. Xmas hampers or Kid Safe Program— Holiday season event (Lani) A donation can go directly towards the 'KidsSafe Program' or directly towards a hamper here at Beaconsfield. This program ensures kids are safe over the holidays (as well as Spring Break and Summer). Kids who attend receive breakfast, lunch and a large afternoon snack. Outside agencies come in and field trips organized. Lani suggests \$250 donation. This program runs at Thunderbird school, Cunningham school, and elsewhere. A couple of families in need for food (in particular) from Beaconsfield. PAC decided to donate \$100 to two families at Beaconsfield. Ali put forth motion for 2 gift cards for \$100 each to be donated to 2 families at Lani's decretion. Kathy second.
- 5. Update on November Activities: (THANK YOUS) (10 min)
 - a. Beaconsfield Apparel Julia Lu -delivery date is unknown at this point, pending info from contact.

 Julia will contact company tomorrow to find out.

- b. Popcorn Laura -2 bags left to be sold at Café Noel.
 -Lani passed on staff request that popcorn be sold at recess(or even afterschool!) instead of lunch because some kids are only eating popcorn instead of their lunch! This is dependent upon who is available to help sell. Sandy will talk to Laura about it.
- c. Purdy's Lisa -delivery for sorting on Dec 11^{th} . Anyone else who wants to help can contact Lisa. Handing out chocolates on Dec 13^{th} . Rebate chq to be handed out to the school a couple of weeks later.
- d. Fruit & Veggie Program April -going well.

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- 6. Update on Other fundraising opportunities (40 min)
 - a. Hot Lunches Rose
 - Underway -tomorrow is the first day!
 - b. Fundraising Letter for June Carnival Rose -letters handed out. People hunting for donations.
 - c. Café Noel
 - Thursday, December 12, -performance starts at 6:15. Café Noel and Doors for performance both open to public at 5:45. Café Noel set up time 4:30pm for Carleen and April. Floats will be set up ahead of time. Café Noel will open up at the end, too.
 - Meeting TIME & PLACE for volunteers: 5:15pm in the lunchroom and after if available.

 Help is needed with getting things downstairs and pricing things, setting up coffee and hot chocolate
 - Point Person Carlene
 - Volunteers: Rose, Ali, Petra, April, Carleen, Sandy
 - Alison is doing 50/50. There will also be a raffle. Prizes announced half-way through.
 - Tap dancers will be doing a performance on Dec 17th for school, parents, etc.
 - Next year, suggestion to re-name Café Noel to something non-denominational.
 - d. Pancake Breakfast
 - Friday, Dec 20, 7:30 9am -door open 8am to 8:55am
 - PJ DAY on, Caroling done every morning in the gym that week-let's get a stereo instead.
 - PAC Event Leaders: April, Lisa W, Carlene
 - Volunteers: arrive 7:30 in lunchroom
 - Lani will invite teachers to come, obtain a stereo for Xmas music to be played, and talk to daycare about using the lunchroom.
 - Carleen and April to bring supplies. Rose to put out a message next week to advertise. Parents can stay for caroling after, too.
 - Ali will look into "Clark Park Party Bin' to see if it's available (2 bins of 40 place settings that can be signed out; must be washed and then returned)
- 7. Discussion: Coffee/Tea Parent Mingle Mornings starting January 2020- Ali- DPAC meeting suggestion to have coffee/tea one day a month for parents to meet PAC and chat. Lani to find out if 9am-9:30am time slot available in library, staffroom, "space downstairs," or hallway also a suggestion. Ali will organize.
 -suggestion by Rose to have a PAC board that folds up that we can bring out at events. Ali will talk to Ian Barbour about getting one going.
- 8. Music Program. Ali- Teachers are not in agreement with having a non-union person coming in to teach music, so plan to bring in Tims Sars for weekly classes is no longer going to happen. Rather than having a curriculum-based, regular music program, some teachers here at Beaconsfield are in agreement with teaching a music program themselves if PAC can purchase some music and instruments, build capacity with shorter-term music workshops, provide a lunchtime music club (with supervision by PAC and not teachers) and potentially have a performance at the year-end. Ali will speak to Tim about doing workshop classes about once a month and doing a lunchtime music program (if he agrees to it). Ali is waiting to hear back to

see if we got a grant for money as well and if we can change the "use" of the grant if we do get it. We still have money dedicated to Fine Arts. Motion by Ali to get approval to talk to Tim to re-design the music program from the weekly in-class sessions to a workshop model; and to buy supplies/instruments (purchased and owned by PAC with a sign-out type organization). Kathy to second motion. All in favour.

- 9. Rose to invite Ms Shannon to come in February to the PAC meeting field questions about music program and whatever else. In future, suggestion to pass on to teachers that they are invited to come to PAC meeting as an open invitation. The only specific requests (as per PAC guidelines) are that teachers step out during financial discussions and voting. These discussions will now be held at the end of the meetings so that teachers can leave before. Rose to send invitation out to Ms Shannon to share with teachers.
- 10. Topics for next meeting: Calendar Review, June Carnival Committee, Budget Overview & What to do with NO TREASURER, Special Presentation Topics, PAC Code of Conduct (role of the PAC as community building and supporting the school, as opposed to focusing on fund-raising). Plan to have another Bingo night in Feb? Movie night? Sports night? Boardgame night? Pub night?
- 11. Photo time-done!

Meeting over -7:53pm

PAC Events Calendar

December 2019

- Hot lunch Thursday, December 5
- Purdy's Chocolate Delivery
- Café Noel before performances
 - Thursday, December 12, 2019
 - Evening Hip Hop Theme
 - Van Tech Band in hallways
 - PAC Event Leader:
 - Volunteers:
- Pancake Breakfast April
 - Friday, Dec 20, 7:30 9am
 - PJ DAY, Caroling!
 - PAC Event Leaders: April, Lisa W, Carlene
 - Volunteers: Rose

January

- i. Hot lunch Thursday, January 16, 30
- ii. Coffee/Tea Parent Mingle
- iii. Popcorn Friday, 31st
- iv. Committee for June Carnival
 - o Food
 - Silent Auction
 - 0 50/50
 - o Cake Walk
 - o Kids Games
 - a. Bouncy Castle
 - b. Face painters/Tattoos
 - c. Local Fire Department
 - Gladstone volunteers (Set up/Tear Down)

February

- v. Hot lunch Thursday, February 13, 27
- vi. Popcorn Friday, 28th
- vii. West Coast Seeds

March / April

viii. Hot lunch - Thursday, April 9, 23

May

- ix. Hot lunch Thursday, May 7, 21
- x. Popcorn Friday, 1st

June

- xi. Carnival cake walk
 - o Ask for donations in October/December/January school newsletter.
 - o Friday, June 5