

PAC MEETING
Moberly Elementary
2016 November 14
Commenced 7:00 p.m.

5 Parent Attendees:

Eva Agustin

Sharon Bagri, Member
at Large

Diane Blue, Treasurer

Alisa Levenstein, Chair

Anh Tuyen, Member at
Large

Principal: Patti Plottel

VP: Karl Graham

1. Welcome (Alisa Levenstein)

Alisa welcomes all.

2. Chair's Report (Alisa Levenstein)

Cash4Clothes fundraiser

Successful first time with this DDA fundraiser - 99 bags were collected and about \$200 raised. Tips for more successful future clothing drive: October is not a good month with spring months being better and as well as September. Other suggestions included limiting advertisement to a 2-week period and use of "aggressive" advertisement; continue to communicate via newsletters, daily P.A. announcements, and class to class announcements (along with class challenges & prizes). Alisa reports it was a lot of work administratively and it was agreed to limit this fundraiser to no more than once a year.

PAC Parent social

After tonight's discussions, the PAC Parent Social will be held **Friday, January 20, 2017 from 2-3pm** in the staff lunch room. Was rescheduled from previous Dec date due to a very busy December school schedule.

Moberly Family movie, Intermediate Student

After consulting with parents tonight and with Patti & Karl, the intermediate student's movie event will be held immediately afterschool on **Friday, January 20, 2017 at 3pm** with Karl Graham has graciously agreed to help with staying afterschool and overseeing/running the technical components. The next Family movie night will be for the primary students (due to the limited space in the gym).

3. Treasurer's Report (Diane Blue)

No major items to report. Projected cash balances changed slightly from last report due to addition of commitment to Tennis XL (gaming grant) that was discussed and approved last month. It was agreed to increase community and family outreach through free movie nights (in the school gym) and for PAC to pay the annual Criterion membership and the 3-4 movies that will be showed this school year. The Criterion movie budget amount was discussed and agreed to be \$1,000 out of gaming grant.

Diane Blue motions to move to accept the Treasurer's report with edits as discussed.
Seconded by Alisa Levenstein. **Motion carried**

For January 2017 PAC: Alisa would like to add an additional budget item to be reflected in January's budget report. Patti will bring the Moberly staff "wish list" (currently being collected) to be discussed and approved in the new year.

4. Old Business (Patti)

Toonie T-shirt sale

There was very little interest in the event despite much effort put in by Patti & Karl and students involved in organizing and running the sale. Student council put a lot of effort and went class to class to advertising the event and sorted the T-shirts. Approximately 110 t-shirts were collected with only 5 sold and an additional \$10 in cash donation. There was no interest from students. This fundraiser event will not be run again.

5. New Business

Winter Concert (Thurs, Dec 15th):

There will be a dress rehearsal in the afternoon for the whole school to view. The evening is reserved for parents of intermediate students with the hope that younger siblings will stay home due the lack of space in the gym. PAC suggestions discussed tonight included parents to run Concession Stand about 30 minutes before the evening concert with either a suggested donation for items or set prices. Food items will be determined in a PAC working group meeting however there was thought to include: A donation jar, chai tea, cream puffs & cookie, seasonal Purdy's lollipops and bars along with parent volunteers selling 50/50 tickets and possibly a PAC table in the adjacent lunch room.

Gaming grant expenditures:

Patti is still collecting "wish list" items from Staff so this will be postponed for discussion in January.)

PAC Purdy's chocolate sales:

The direct sales will likely happen after the April 2017 Grade 7 fundraiser (at Purdy chocolate bar sales outside the front doors of Superstore, Marine Drive). Depending on how many bars are left over or if there is interest or enough volunteers, any residual bars may be sold as direct sales like this past year (parents pay for a bulk amount upfront and sell the bars directly to family/friends) which will likely fund the PAC general account (non-specific).

PAC Family Fun event (TBC: Thur, February 16th)

Fridays are not popular days to run afterschool events with teachers (preliminary date was set for a Friday because the PAC volunteers were more available). It was discussed tonight that the Family Fun day will *likely be held on Thursday, Feb 16th after school* as teachers would also like to be involved.

There were discussions of different events/tables in the gym to encourage parents to come out and enjoy games/treats while supporting the school and PAC. There was discussion to create “gift baskets” table for the Fun Family Event with possible silent auction or raffle tickets style to generate money for the PAC. Depending on interest, gift baskets will be created by collectively the students’ house colours (4) or possibly 1 basket per grade (i.e. K to 7). PAC will commit to assembling baskets & related costs if students/staff bring individuals for “themed” baskets. There will be a December PAC working group meeting to finalize the details.

PAC future fundraising initiatives

See above.

Teacher social tea hosted by PAC (Friday, Dec 16th at 10am) in the staff lunch room. Volunteers needed. Anh has committed to bringing food contribution (spring rolls), and Alisa will bring cookies. There will be a PAC working group meeting to discuss this further.

6. Principal / Vice Principal’s Report (Patti Plottel/Karl Graham)

Website update (Patti)

Patti will review the school calendar to make sure the PAC meeting details are included in the web calendar.

Review of newsletter (Patti)

The monthly school newsletter was distributed on Monday and is posted on the website. There are 4 performances booked in a year with theatre sports on Monday, November 21st. Please also note that there has been 4 litters of abandoned kittens in the neighbourhood and there is contact information in the newsletter regarding subsidized cat neutering/spaying costs costs).

We Day, Nov 3rd (Karl)

It was a great event at Rogers Centre. The students have not yet met about the follow-up initiative from the We Day event which was to encourage students to organize and execute a fundraiser for a good cause either locally, nationally or internationally. The students were considering Rafiki bracelets made by women in villages and to sell them for \$10 with the money going back to the villages (brings awareness to a specific cause). PAC offered to give a table at Family Fun day to support the students if they decide they want to go with the bracelets.

Swim to Survive Program (Patti)

The grade 3 students are getting free swimming lessons over 3 sessions in Nov and Dec. This program is funded by the city and includes the pool, lessons, and transportation of the grade 3 classes this year as well as next year. This year the students will be going to Renfrew Pool and next year it will be held at Hillcrest Pool.

iPads (Karl)

Karl was very happy to share that Hy's Steakhouse has again donated more technology for the students with 18 used iPads this year again (a perfect number for a class set for primary grade!).

Lion's Club (Patti)

Patti is once again very appreciative of the Lion's Club who has encouraged Patti to apply for a \$500 grant to fund learning related expenses. They have set aside this amount for Moberly.

Other items (Patti)

In attempt to increase effective communication, Patti printed a series of labels for teachers to have students affix to their agenda books to remind parents & students of early dismissal day, PAC meetings, and other important announcements.

Meeting adjourned 8:40pm