

Walter Moberly PAC Meeting  
May 19, 2015  
In Library commence 7:10pm

**Parent attendees:**

Eva Agustin, Sharon & Sodhi Bagri, Diane Blue (Treasurer), Samang Chan, Farrah Murdock,  
Margaret Prasad & Anish Prasad, Paul Thandi (Chair)  
Patti Plottel, Principal  
Karl Graham, Vice Principal

Minutes:

1. Welcome  
Patti welcomes all parents.
2. PAC chair  
Paul has no updates but will propose an item under New Business for pizza fundraiser idea.
3. Treasurer's report  
Diane provides summary and explanation of transactions from the last 2 months of April and May.
4. Old Business
  - a. Patti demonstrates website navigation to help parents find next year's academic calendar posted on the Moberly website.
  - b. Playground update (Patti)

Phase 1 of Intermediate Playground cost of \$32,955 and Patti is happy to report that the target has been met because of a generous donation by private donor. Playground installation will happen in early September when the build will be done which will be a great way to start the year. VSB will do the install.

**On to Phase 2 of Intermediate Playground – \$32,433.** There is a thermometer visual display in hall way. We have \$20,343 (comes from school account plus \$10,000 from gaming grant next year) so we still need **\$12,200** that will be our new fundraising goal.
  - c. Parent Direct Drive \$675 raised (reflected in \$20,343 amount)
5. New Business (Patti)
  - a. PAC Elections – 2015/16

- i. Vacancies for PAC executive – Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and Members at Large. Nominations and seconded by parents present.
  1. Chair, passed unanimously: Paul Thandi
  2. Treasurer, passed unanimously: Diane Blue
  3. Secretary: remains vacant
  4. Members-At-Large, passed unanimously: Sharon Bagri
  5. Members-At-Large, passed unanimously: Sodhi Bagri
  6. Other positions & Members-At-Large will be determined as needed

## 6. Principal/VP's Report Patti Plottel & Karl Graham

Karl reviewed paper copy of newsletter:

- a. Welcome to K session for preschool students coming in September. Session included age appropriate activities, an educational gift bag to take home, the session was set up with 5 stations: VPD, community nurse, fire & rescue, South Van neighbourhood house, etc. There will be another session next Tuesday and we anticipate 65+ students in the large gym. It will run in a similar format with 6 stations, with more learning centred focus for the students (letters & numbers, arts n'crafts, music and movement, reading station/librarian, and another station/vpd, community nurse). It is an opportunity for students to meet the teachers and be in Moberly which will be a new environment for these pre-K students. The Read Set Learn session is geared to support parent whereas Welcome to K sessions' focus on the students progress and current skills.

### b. Twin/Triplet Day

Student Council's final event, find a friend or couple of friends to be their twin or triplets.

### c. Gymnastics

In big gym right now, all is doing gymnastic component. Mr. Sapic teaches most of the school, and Mr. Graham teaches Kindergarten and a gr 5 class combined; it is good to see the interaction between the different age groups. Kindness video is in final editing stage by the student council (re: Kindness Tree initiative).

### d. Girls' Soccer

Carrie Serwetnyk, played in the Canadian National Soccer team, has been coming to Moberly during lunch hour once a week to help over 60 girls in grades 4 to 7. Every girl who signed up for this program will get a soccer ball (donated by BMO). The goal is to encourage young women to be knowledgeable in health and fitness. This is a physical literacy initiative by the Ministry with the hope that physical fitness not be limited to PE or gym class, but encouraging girls to take a

whole-life approach to health and fitness. This program is to help girls to find a way to stay fit and this soccer program is aligned with this learning goal.

e. VPD Soccer

Annual soccer tournament will be at BC Place with every participating school getting a trophy. It is a co-ed and Mr. Sopic took 20 students. There was a TV news segment on this tournament with a photo in year-end video (played at student assembly).

f. Volunteer Appreciation Tea

Invitations will go out soon. First Friday in June in Library from 10:30-noon which will be organized by Ms. Elliott.

g. Sports Day on June 12th

Ms. Badh & K parents are putting on a Hot Dog sale with proceeds to go to Playground

h. Moberly Idol on June 22nd

Parents are invited but not high school siblings/student. There will be a program screening committee to ensure appropriateness of lyrics/dancing. We have received many entries such as cultural music and variety of talent.

i. Grade 7 Grad on June 23rd

We need parent volunteers!

j. Awards Assembly on June 25th

June 25<sup>th</sup> parents are welcome.

Grade 7 Run will be on last day of Thursday. The Run involves students running in the hallways of the school with students and teachers clapping and cheering for them; a tradition to wish them well as they head-off to high school.

Adjourned 7:49pm. Next meeting October 2015.