

SOOKE ELEMENTARY PAC MEETING: 15 November 2016

MINUTES (Approved)

Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Candice N (President), Danielle D. (VPres), Maki M (Hot lunch Coordinator), Lisa N. (Events Coordinator), Mrs. K. Arnot (Principal), Candice Whitten (Book Fair Coordinator), Lorna Egresits (parent)

Regrets: Lisa S. (Treasurer), Mrs. M. Becking (VPrin.), (Teacher Rep),

- Territorial acknowledgement: I'd like to acknowledge that we are meeting as visitors on the traditional and ancestral territory of the T'Souke nation.
- MOTION to adopt the agenda as presented (DD/LN) CARRIED
- MOTION to adjourn at 7:20 (CN/LN) CARRIED
- MOTION to approve the October 2016 minutes as presented (DD/LN) CARRIED; no business arising

Reports (6:35 – 6:55)

Admin reports—Mrs. Arnot: Things have been reasonably quiet. Photo retakes were on Oct. 27th. Pumpkin carving was amazing. Remembrance Day ceremony received great feedback. Paul, an Afghan vet, and his dog Tucker attended and Paul was a great speaker. The video data projectors have been picked up and a call has been put into facilities to request they get hung. We received a rotary grant to purchase a document camera. Book fair sign up is going well. Feedback from Wayne, the custodian, after the dance was that the freezies left a sticky mess on the floor that was hard to clean up. Both administrators will be attending the Google Apps summit in Victoria on Friday, 18th. The Russian Ballet will be performing Jabberwocky on Friday as well. There will be a lockdown drill tomorrow, the 16th.

PAC Reports

For the October hot lunch, of the 126 total orders, 102 (88%) were online and 24 were paper. We saw \$323 in profit. There has been very good feedback on the hotlunches.net system and PAC has paid the annual fee (\$300) to continue with the program, as per motion in September 2016.

Halloween dance was a great success and we had a lot of positive feedback. Further to the report on the dance included with the minutes, and due to feedback from the custodian on the challenges with clean up, we discussed ways to address the need for more cold treats but something that doesn't cause such a mess. The ice cream treats seem like the way to go because few to no wrappers and little mess were attributed to them. The need for more garbage cans placed around the gym/hallway was also raised. The quiet rooms resulted in a lot less running in the hallways. There were 2 quiet rooms—one for kids, playing a movie, and another for parents. This was well received though the movie was hard to hear apparently so perhaps setting up portable speakers next time would help with this.

Events (7:05-7:15)

Subway Day, Nov. 16th: We received 107 orders, 90 online and 17 paper and made \$252 revenue. In comparing Subway to Boston Pizza, the pizza orders are organized by division and for allergies whereas Subway needed more handholding and does not accommodate allergies. There are 7 volunteers for tomorrow. Going forward, prices for juice will be \$1.00 and milk will be \$1.50. We will not purchase any more chocolate soy as we can use the school's supply for the few students who wish to purchase it.

Poinsettia Fundraiser, Nov. 4: We made \$130 in profit on this fundraiser. Delivery is Nov. 23rd and we will arrange a time the day before. We will need a couple of volunteers to help unload. Lisa N. will advise when the time is set and request volunteers.

Book Fair, Nov. 23-28 : Set up will take place after school on the 22nd and it will open on the 23rd at lunch. Classes will come through during the day. Sales will take place at lunch and after school on the 23rd, 24th, and 28th with extended hours on the 24th during the Celebration of Learning, till 7pm. It will be taken down after school, around 3:30 on the 28th. The goal is to use the funds raised to get more books and levelled readers for the school. Thursday shifts from 3-4 and 4-5 still need volunteers. There is also a possibility/concern that debit will not be available although credit cards can still be taken using the swipe machine.

Last Day of Classes, Dec. 16th: After a brief discussion, it was decided that PAC wouldn't organize anything for this day as the sing-along is happening and the classrooms are doing their own things.

New Business (7:15-7:25)

Reusable water bottles: The water fountain has been ordered. There was support that we should encourage recycling of plastic water bottles, with money going to the kids. The business item of reusable water bottles with the SES logo was withdrawn until January for discussion.

Review of Constitution: The constitution is in need of review, the last one having been done in 2012. The suggestion was to check with SPEAC for guidance on how to proceed with the review, which we aim to complete by the end of this school year.

Communication (7:25-7:30)

- Newsletter: mention choir risers, water fountain, upcoming literacy week (Jan) FB/Communications
- Sign: Craft Fair (All Sooke); Book Fair; Food fight

Meeting Adjourned (7:21 LN/DD)