Gray Elementary PAC Meeting

January 23, 2013

In attendance

Sandra Baumeister Kim Perry Jeff McCallum Patricia Thurston Ruth Kaune Munish and Shalu Saldhi Amy Burden

The meeting was called to order at 9:21 AM.

Motion was made, seconded, to accept agenda.

Motion was made and passed to accept minutes of the November 2012 meeting, which can now be published through the school website.

DPAC Report

Reviewed notes passed on by Courtney. Questions arose regarding igirl. Amy will email Courtney to obtain more information.

Treasurer Report

In review current Cash Position, it was deemed necessary to make an amendment to how the wording regarding how Gaming Grant monies are to be used.

The motion was made and seconded to amend the minutes of the last meeting to read that "\$400 is to be used for field trips or in-class extras". Receipts are to be submitted to Barb. Teachers can communicate needs with Lucy and Lucy will make payment back through Barb.

Sandra will check on-line and present, with minutes, rules of spending Gaming Grants, and email link to Jeff.

A special note for future consideration is that assigning funds per student is a better way to go due to varying amount of kids per class.

A motion was made and seconded that \$100.00 of monies assigned to each class will be used for classroom incidentals and \$300.00 is come from gaming grants to be used in accordance with rules, attached.

Principal's Report

Talent show will be held in the gym on Friday. Parents are welcome to come and watch, although space may be limited.

Student-led conferences will take place on Feb. 6th and 7th. Each day, there will be an early dismissal at 2:00 PM.

There may be conferences going on at the same time. Any specific concerns would be best brought up to the teacher's attention prior to the conference.

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Boys' basketball is now on, with a parent coach leading the team.

Grades 4 and 7 have FSA's coming up. Teachers will have until the end of February to complete. Teachers are giving out material on how to complete assessments. Parents having concerns about the assessments can speak with Mr. McCallum.

Hot Lunch

There is a hot lunch coming up at the end of the month.

It was noted that Maninder Nann accepted the position of Hot Lunch Coordinator but was not officially voted in. Nominations were put forth. With there being no other nominees, a majority vote confirmed that Maninder Nann will be accepted as Hot Lunch Coordinator for the next two-year period.

Emergency Preparedness Report

No update at this time.

Fundraising/Special Events Report

Bingo night has been tentatively scheduled for Feb. 22/13. Ruth is still waiting for a replacement date for Movie Night.

New Business

Amy provided details from Alison on a Zumba night fundraiser for March 1/13. Details of the night were reviewed. Jeff will put in a work order for a stage. Ticket sales will be done between Amy and Alison.

Jeff gave an update on the traffic situation. He felt that a letter drafted by the PAC expressing concern may hold some weight. The letter would go to council so that it would have to be officially entered into New Business at the next meeting. Amy to draft letter.

Munish asked if we could add information about Mathnasium to the newsletter again, as he felt that the timing of the last newsletter was not good due to Christmas break. Munish will update his add and forward to Kim.

A parent brought forward concerns of translations in the newsletter into other languages. Some parents have expressed concerns that more languages were not included. If this is a real issue for families, we need someone to step forward to help. Sandra will draft a feedback survey for families' opinions on the newsletter and accessibility.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.