

## Gray Elementary PAC Meeting

May 27,, 2015

7:00 PM

### In attendance

Zena Ray

Courtney Marsh

Lori Guiton

Mike Keller

Terri Burton

Amy Burden

Paula Hutton

Jennifer Hastings

Ruth Kaune

Nicole Braid

Lucie Seba

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Motion was made to accept the minutes from the 2014 AGM meeting, seconded, with the following correction:

The Hot Lunch Coordinator position is a two-year term and Ruth Kaune will remain in this position for another year.

### AGM: Election of PAC Positions

Vice-Chair, Paula Hutton let her name stand for another two-year term and was voted in by acclamation of members present.

Secretary, Sandra Baumeister let her name stand for another two-year term and was voted in by acclamation of members present.

Newsletter Editor, Lori Guiton will be leaving the school and this position will be open for the next school year.

### Sands Scholarship

Lucie has received the paperwork and will prepare cheques for the two scholarships. Zena will coordinate a teacher from Gray to present the scholarships.

Continue with regular, monthly PAC meeting.

### Principal's Report

The pro-d in May was focused on the inquiry project, led by Miss Hewitt, which included a walk to Burns Bog. The teachers have planned another project to the Bog on the September pro-d day. A pro-d day in August will have a speaker in attendance, Carol Fullerton, and the focus will be differentiating math.

Integrity will be the virtue for the remainder of the year.

Sports Day in on June 12, 2015 and there will be a different format for the bike parade. Older grades will take a lap around the gravel field and join in the second lap around the school. This will make is easier for the primary kids to navigate their first lap. Bike helmets are mandatory.

Carpeted walls are getting a makeover, with work being done over the summer. As well, all chalkboards will be replaced with whiteboards.

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### **Principal's Report cont'd**

The next school year will have 20 divisions and one primary supported learning class. There will be the following split classes: 6/7, 4/5, 3/4, 2/3. There is a hold on new registrations for K and there are no spaces left for Grade 7 students. There are currently over 500 students enrolled for the next school year.

Next school year, the following staff changes will be made. Debbie Kamisky is retiring, Mrs. Skinner is returning for one day per week, Mrs. Drysdale will not be teaching K next year, Mrs Vogel will teach in a classroom next year, and there are postings up for supported learning and the 6/7 class.

### **DPAC Report**

No report

### **Hot Lunch Update**

There is one more set of lunches in this school year. Ruth is very happy with the company we are using.

### **Emergency Preparedness**

The recent earthquake drill went well. There was feedback provided by a few parents that we should consider using Twitter for information blasts, in case of an actual emergency.

Mike will put together a wish list for next year. Parents will be asked to pay \$5.00 per student and the funds will be used to replace items that will expire in the bin.

### **Fundraising/Special Events**

Carnival preparation is going well and a volunteer list is currently being drafted. Committee is looking for someone to barbecue for both the carnival and for Sports Day.

The Staff Appreciation lunch will be moved to June 10<sup>th</sup>.

The school is looking for cookies and ice cream buckets for Sports Day.

The Entertainment Book fundraiser is all set for next school year.

The Family Welcome Barbecue will be on September 24, 2015.

All Grade 7 events (Playland, Camp, Dance) have been organized.

### **Treasurer Report**

The Gaming Grant application has been completed. We are still on the list for a playground grant. We have funds available and hope to receive a matching grant from the Corporation.

Tasty Tuesday profits are still rolling in. Jerseys have been paid for.

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**Treasurer Report cont'd**

Motion: to use PAC funds to subsidize the cost of the new school jerseys. Seconded.

**New Business**

Ruth noted that the PAC kitchen needs a new kettle and some more insulated bags which are used for Hot Lunches.

Motion: to use PAC funds to pay for purchase of new kettle and insulated bags. Seconded.

Jennifer Hastings noted that Kindergarten orientation will be on June 4, 2015, at 1:45 PM. Amy will stop by to chat about the PAC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.