

KAY BINGHAM PAC MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, December 7, 2011

MINUTES

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PRESENT: Mr. Koch, Tracy Robertson, Shaunna Branchflower, Brenda Sawada, Susan Firman, Erin Felker, Patti Wright and Tami Leggatt.

Co-Chair called meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

1. November minutes accepted as printed - Shaunna 1st, Brenda 2nd. Review of agenda accepted as printed - Susan 1st, Tracy 2nd.

2. **Principal's Report:**

- Parents can expect to receive a "bare bones" report card next Wednesday, December 14th. The Ministry of Education has directed districts that each student will receive a report card before Christmas Break. However, teachers will not be writing the report cards and the reports will only have the following information on them:
 - the student's name
 - the student's teacher's name
 - the date
 - the school's name
 - a record of attendance

These will be sent home without an envelope and folded to reveal only the student's name. Parents are reminded to communicate with their child's teacher for more detailed information on how their child is progressing.

- Teachers have sent a message home about plans for next week. Although there will not be a Christmas concert, all students will be involved in making ginger-bread style houses on Tuesday morning and a school wide sing a long Friday afternoon.
- Basketball practices have begun and we are fortunate to have the additional help from Mr. Scott Gallaway. Mr. Gallaway has considerable upper level coaching experience and is helping both the boys and the girls during after school sessions.
- Due to illnesses, Mr. Wood has been called upon to be the interim principal at Arthur Hatton school. We hope that he will be returning in January.
- **POWERPLAY** - The students in Mrs. Hallett's and Mr. Covaceuszach's classes have been involved in a Junior Achievement class learning about how a business works. To follow up, these two classes will be involved in another program called PowerPlay For Success. Please check it out on the website www.powerplay4success.com We are currently looking for business sponsorship of this program. If you would like more information, please contact Mr. Koch.

3. **Old Business/Deferments:**

- Staples has a program where they select schools and do a \$25,000 computer room re-do - everyone like the essay and Tracy will submit it to Staples.
- Skiing - need to fundraise

- SMART Boards - ? grant money available - Tracy has applied for grant money from Rotary and Kamloops Foundation - won't hear anything for a while. Check with DPAC to see if they know of any grants we can apply for. Mail Visions, Future Shop and Stereo Warehouse to see if we can get anything donated or at a discount. Try doing a cheque writing campaign. Shaunna 1st, Angie 2nd, passed all in favor of ordering one SMART Board right now.
- Lunch times - not enough eating time - had more ideas of possible ways to get kids more eating time - wash hands before the bell rings - not ideal as this is class time, make sure meals program lunches are at classrooms when the bell goes, make sure that students know that they don't have to leave right away when the bell goes (they can stay and finish eating)

4. **Treasurer Report:**

- Gaming \$ 8,256.79
- PAC \$ 12,447.11
- GIC \$ 5142.15
- DeVry sales - \$ 3480 profit \$1164.74
- Minutes accept as printed - Brenda 1st, Susan 2nd - passed all in favor

5. **New Business:**

- Money requests - teachers are asking PAC to pay for the stuff required for the den activity of making gingerbread houses. PAC will donate the plates, cups, spoons and knives from current supplies and pay for the icing sugar and graham crackers. Tracy 1st, Shaunna 2nd, passed all in favor.
- Christmas Hampers - teachers hadn't put any names forward yet so we approved 10 to be purchased and handed out. PAC put forward a challenge to the staff to donate \$100.

Meeting was adjourned by Chair at 7:10 PM.

Next PAC Meeting: January 11th, 2012 6:00pm Staff Room