

## March 10 2021 NARAMATA PAC MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting called to order:** 7.37pm March 10 2021

**Attendees** - Jeff Redden, Amanda Perez, Heather Romero, Stephanie Pris, Stefanie Forsyth, Adrienne Fedrigo, Jacqueline Duncan, Kathy Pierre, Lisa Blok, Karen Papay, Stephanie D'Angelo

**Guests/Staff**- Jeff Redden (Administrator),, Kathy Pierre (School Board Trustee)

**Approval of agenda** - Motion to approve Motion to approve - Steph motion, Stefanie Forsyth second. PASSED

**Approval of Feb 17 minutes** - Motion to approve - Lisa motion, Amanda second. PASSED

### REPORTS

- School Trustee Report: Kathy Pierre. Report sent to Jeff, and will just go over the highlights.
- Board approved the 2020/2021 annual budget. Received additional health and safety guidelines from Provincial level — were given review on Strategic Plan (mission, values, communication). Education board meeting April 14

**Administrator** - Jeff Redden

- Rattler Gear came in today and will wear them tomorrow.
- Intermural basketball for grade 4-5 concluded last week (15-20 kids came out for it)
- Tae Kwon Do finished - thank you to PAC for the opportunity
- Also thank you to PAC for supporting grade 1/2/3 skating and 4/5 tubing at Apex
- Report cards went home yesterday - hope parents had a chance to review successes and set goals for remaining term
- Focussing on Trauma Informed Practice — mental/social/academic health
  - Did a survey of grade 1/2/3 students to see how kids feel connected. Lots of positive responses from kids, very connected to kids and teachers
  - Upcoming Events:
    - early dismissal tomorrow
    - Shamrock Games on Friday (relay races in teams)
    - Spring Break is next two weeks, then Easter
    - Pro D Day on Mon April 19
    - Class pictures in April
    - April 29 open house — might be virtual

Heather - asked for update about Breakfast Club's need for additional help. We haven't had anyone come forward to help yet. Currently, Mrs Bull and Mr Redden help out to relieve some of the workload. Would still love to have a parent helper so that we don't burn anyone out. We will also post on our PAC facebook page.

**Treasurer: Stephanie Prins**

Not much has changed since last meeting. Paid for Tae Kwon \$1260, Valentine Treat Boxes = \$1500 expenses in the last month.

**Assets:**

Chq \$17810

Gaming \$1900

Term Deposit 10,558

High Interest Savings \$5474

**Budget:** For this year we are trying to budget \$13,000 in fundraising. We are still shy about \$3500.

Previous years we raised \$15-20k (although this includes Parks and Rec grant).

**President: Heather Romero**

Still haven't heard back from Parks and Rec. If we don't hear back in the next week or so, Heather will check in. (Chris Heisler: he recently checked in to this for NCDC and said they should be allocating funding this month).

## **ONGOING**

### **May Day:**

We need to have a discussion with the school community about the logistics of this. Mrs MacMillan does this annually and is nearing retirement, so we need to have discussions regarding what is the role of the school, the community etc. Also, discussions regarding "May Day Queen"/"Ambassador", inclusively. Need to reexamine how this will look moving forward.

Bringing MayDay into the 21st century — updating it in ways that it potentially needs to change. Val sent a through email to Heather, forwarded on to Jeff. PAC hasn't had much involvement in MayDay previously so we are somewhat hesitant to get overly involved on PAC meeting time, out of respect for the parents.

Karen Papay asked whether MayDay will be in person, virtual etc. It is all somewhat up in the air currently and should be sorted out shortly after spring break.

Lisa Blok — May Day is an important tradition locally and would be unfortunate to let it go.

Heather — parents are welcome to be involved in the planning committee if they want to assist or be involved with decisions.

### **Signage/speed concerns:**

Letter has been sent to RDOS regarding school speed limits, suggestion of installing signage or a school calming zone.

## **FUNDRAISING:**

### **Ideas discussed at last meeting included:**

Dry soup/garden harvest, Purdy's, Mothers Day/Fathers Day, local entertainment book  
Most previous fundraisers only make ~\$500 each. \$2016-2017 and \$2017-2018 each made \$1500 or so with karaoke, but that isn't manageable this year. Farm bag made \$690.

***We are welcoming/needing parent ideas for ideas that are simple, lucrative, and where the workload could be shared amongst parents.***

Jacqueline Duncan: discounted gift cards where you can buy discounted gift cards

Silent Auction: did very very well and made roughly \$8000. However, Amanda and Lisa are hesitant to do another silent auction because 1) it is a LOT of work to organize, and 2) we don't want to overextend our ask on local businesses.

Discussion of 'Entertainment Books'. ie. have local businesses sell us discounted gift cards and sell them at a discount to parents. Supports local, helpful during Covid as it keeps money local.

ANY fundraiser will require time to organize, procure, sell — we need to make a decision tonight.  
We also need more hands to be involved. Parents who sign up to help would each, for example, call 5 businesses.  
MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.

It would be nice to put some of the onus on the school/community/parents  
Could be sold via the website and sold via e-transfer.

We have a running list of parents who have volunteered to assist with PAC events. We can reach out to parents  
Stefanie Forsyth, Jacqueline Duncan, Stephanie D'Angelo have all volunteered to help nail down next steps in the fundraiser book.

### **MOTION TO RUN THE FUNDRAISER:**

Stefanie Forsyth, Stephanie Prins second.

**PARENT INVOLVEMENT:**

We understand that parents are busy and for various reasons we are in this cycle where parents aren't attending meetings, assisting with fundraising. Some parents would like to just make a donation. We will discuss this at our next meeting.

Question was asked about tax receipts — no, we are not a registered charity so cannot allocate tax receipts. The school board can receive donations and administer receipts but it isn't a simplified process.

WINE DONATED by STEPHANIE D'ANGELO — Thank you Stephanie, and D'Angelo Winery  
Winner: Jacqueline Duncan. Congrats Jacqueline!

**Next meeting set:**

*April 14 7.30pm*

**Meeting adjourned: 9.02pm**