

**NARAMATA PAC MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 20, 2021**

**Parent Attendees** - Heather Romero, Quake and Priscilla Hayden Lisa Blok, Stephanie Prins, Blaine Gerlach, Jeremy Gerlach, Carlie Petrisor, Chris Sutherland, Adrienne Fedrigo

**Guests/Staff** - Kathy Pierre, Jeff Redden, Kelly Lucarino

**Meeting called to order:** 7:30

**Approval of agenda:** Motion to approve by Lisa Blok, Stephanie Prins second

**Approval of September 22, 2021 minutes** - Motion to approve by Stephanie Prins, seconded by Lisa Blok.

**REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATOR JEFF REDDEN PRINCIPALS REPORT**

**PAST EVENTS**

- Terry Fox Run was successful students / school raised \$409.00 which was matched by the PAC for a total donation of \$815.00
- Orange Shirt day was recognized and the school continues to have age appropriate conversations regarding residential schools and what is reconciliation.
- Garden Soup Wednesday has been happening every other week with the support from James Young. Mr. Young has worked to grow and harvest needed ingredients in the school garden as well as coordinate delivery of those items to local businesses who have turned them into soup for the entire school.
- School Goals this year focus around reading. There has been a gap in reading levels noticed amongst students due to the pandemic. Teachers and staff have been working to assess the levels of all students to come up with a plan to support each student as needed.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Earthquake Drills will take place in October.
- Friday October 22 Professional Development Day
- Halloween Parade Friday October 27th. Hope to see parents out to see the tour of the kids walk through the village.
- November 1st & 2nd Early Dismissal at 12:45 for Parent Teacher Conferences. These will take place via telephone unless in person meeting is needed due to pandemic.
- Remembrance Day Assembly November 10th.
- Remembrance Day November 11th - school closed

- November 12th Professional Development Day
- Working on planning a spirit day as well as continuing to find ways to incorporate outdoor learning.

## STAFF WISH LIST

Staff wish list requested of the PAC has a combined total need of \$16,040 and includes:

- End of year class field trips lower grades
- Athletics
- Incentives
- Literary Program
- Treat Boxes ( Halloween, Christmas & Valentines)
- Grade 5 Plaques
- Grade 5 Leadership
- Munchalunch
- Garden
- Cameras & Electronics
- Outdoor Exploration Tools
- Dance Play - Week long event in school
- Outdoor Learning Adventure Field Trips
- Grade 5 Skiing
- Sports Equipment

## STEPHANIE PRINS - TREASURERS REPORT

Current Balances:

- Chequing Acct: \$17,000
- Gaming Acct: \$4,600
- Savings Acct: \$5,476
- Term Deposit: \$10,638

- Expected to receive this year outdoor rec funding. Last years amount was \$6800.00 this years is TBD.

## KATHIE PIERRE - TRUSTEE REPORT

Reveiwed budget, finances & district meetings. Recent developments as follows:

- School District provided \$140,000 to school sites for upgrades in ventilation to improve the health and safety of all students and staff.
- Summer maintenance took place in 3 schools this summer
- Ministry of Education has provided 1 time funding to support district students with loss of learning and mental health due to the pandemic.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **MOTI & TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES:**

Heather asked Jeff if there has been any movement with MOTI on traffic calming options for the school Jeff confirmed he had heard from MOTI but has not been given any steps of moving forward with any assistance from them yet.

- Seeking permission to see if we can install a speed sign or ? in a effort to calm traffic.

### **GAMING GRANT:**

Heather asked Stephanie on current status Stephanie updated as follows:

- Grant application was accepted and funds have been deposited in the amount of \$1940.00

### **NARAMATA'S GOT JINGLE**

Framework in place from last year's event and we are seeking volunteers  
-Heather made a call for volunteers to help with soliciting donations, managing website etc. - Nobody responded.

### **PAC LETTER – PAC/Parent Volunteer Sign Up**

PAC discussed the response from the recent letter from PAC asking parents to sign up to Volunteer or submit payment in lieu of volunteering. There were a few parents who were not in support of this approach and a couple parents spoke out against the letter and how it was received by them. PAC explained that the parental survey from last June indicated that the majority of parents wanted options of how to support PAC including volunteering to support PAC fundraising or making a donation to PAC in lieu of having to volunteer for fundraising.

A sub committee of the PAC was created to look at future solutions to improve parental involvement in PAC and other communication strategies. A meeting of this group (Heather Romero, Blaine Gerlach, Chris Sutherland and Jeff Redden, principal) will be planned in the coming weeks.

### **OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE - TABLED**

**MEETING ENDED: 9:17PM**