

Lord Selkirk Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council Meeting
January 6, 2020 @ 6:30pm

MINUTES

Present: Jen Cooper-Stephenson, Erin Dosman, Erin Cedarberg, Nancy Manning, Conrad Chevalier, Sarah Bartlett, Jasmine Lee, Anna King, Alison Mills, Heather Schofield, Ian Beaty, Holly Hergesheimer, Mimi Simon, Jola Lekich, Jolene Harrington, Flavio Wasniewski, Wendy McMillan, Iona Bonamis, Koryn Heisler
Chair: Erin Dosman
Minute Taker: Jennifer Cooper-Stephenson
Call to Order: 6:34pm
Approval of Previous Minutes: N/A

Chair's Report – Erin Dosman:

No report at this time.

Financial Report – Conrad Chevalier:

PAC has spent funds on the following:

- \$1250 for community outreach
- February tubing bus subsidy
- Paid Kids Sing Choir for half the year
- Heather reported a fundraising cheque is coming from SPUD

School Report – Shannon Burton:

- Mr. Dominic and his partner had their baby on Dec 29th. Chuck McNichol (a retired principal) will be helping out while Dominic away for a month.
- The ramp is complete and functioning. The lift is now functioning – great to have it up and running
- Harry Potter area of the library is curtained off for transformation into a maker space.
- Literary development story workshop coming to Selkirk – they are looking for jars from parents, clean clear jars can be dropped off in the library. Story workshop will be ongoing – PAC will send out a call for materials that are needed. Michelle Wiens will be helping lead that.
- January 31, 2020 reports will be coming out for every class.
- Shannon anticipates a move within VSB to expand access to “teams” as a platform for communication – even with parents.

Seismic Update – Shannon Burton:

- There is a fence/hoarding up around the site now. Selkirk staff and VSB worked with contractors to ensure there is a path into the school.
- Container office will be set up on site shortly.
- Work on the interior of the frame building has started.
- The only thing altered will be the areas that need to be altered to ensure seismically safe, no other changes or upgrades will be made at this time. Funding was for seismic upgrades only.

Regular Business:

- Discretionary Funding Committee & Teacher Wish List (Anna) – Anna received an email today from Stephanie Wigod. Request to replace 17 copies of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory for use in the classroom. This will benefit all students in grades 3-5 – approximately 100 students. Cost is \$137.53 to purchase all 17 copies (\$8.09 per book). PAC voted unanimously to approve the request.
- Selkirk Royale (Erin)
 - Selkirk Royale is set for February 21. Committee is working on securing donations – we have \$5,000 so far, a bit behind where we were last year but we are hoping to get more in the coming weeks so we can get up to \$10,000. Any ideas please contact Beverly/Heather or Erin.
 - Posters – we have image from previous years, Jasmine will ask her husband to update the poster with this year’s dates/info. Anna’s husband will be back up.
 - DJ – we don’t have one yet, Erin will put out a call in the newsletter. Josh is free if we need him.
 - Now that school is back we will start promoting ticket sales.
 - There will be a short newsletter this month – scheduled to be sent out January 14, PAC agreed to provide content to Shannon by January 10 to advertise ticket sales for Royale.
 - Heather will be looking at options for non-alcoholic beverages. In the gym area we will have water and fresh fruit available. If we want to consider having “mocktails” we could charge for those.
- Fundraising Initiatives (Heather):
 - No updates at this time.
 - Heather has Famous Foods gift cards ready for sale tonight. Famous Foods is very happy to continue supporting the school. FYI - Famous Foods will also fill your own containers if you want flour/bulk items.
 - Mabel’s Labels – plan to start a campaign in anticipation of camp season.
 - SPUD is still ticking along in the background.
 - Rufus guitar and drum shop is a new fundraiser. No one has signed up yet – if a family signs up for lessons (Rufus will donate 10% back, caveat is that you have to tell them up front that

you are a Selkirk student). One time only for the first month, and only for new students. It is a limited option but it is a different offering than some of our other fundraisers.

New Business:

- Lost and found redesign update – Jasmine planning to buy transparent bins for lost and found storage, bins will be low to ensure shelves don't tip in the event of an earthquake. It was suggested home depot may give discount for school purchases. There will be a message board for kids to see that they have something in the lost and found they should go and retrieve. Parents will donate plastic hangers, some tape and stickers to tag items. Shannon will get labels printed in the office with the months so items can be tagged.
- Saleema Noon Sexual Health Education – looking at K, and 1/2 this year. Plan to have workshops for the whole school next year.
- Safer Schools Program has been in this year to start discussing digital safety.
- Alison inquired about swag/gear for Selkirk students, Jasmine will follow up.
- PAC agreed to look at setting up direct drive for this year – PAC will explore options to go through school cash on-line as a payment method.

Next meeting – PAC Meeting – Monday February 3, 2020 @ 6:30pm