Ross Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Nov 7, 2023, at 6 pm at the school

Minutes recorded by Jacqui Wiens

In attendance: Aissa, Emily, Kristen Vogel, Jacqui, Vanessa, Krista, Cheryl, Krystal attended virtually

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement

Today's Agenda, October Minutes, and voting postponed until 6:30pm when quorum met

At 6:30pm: Today's Agenda and October minutes were proposed for approval by Aissa, seconded by Emily, Agenda and Oct Minutes Approved

PAC President Report

Discussion on potential date for pre-holiday movie night Dec 1 - Kristen will check that date

Ideas: Bake sale vs candy sale at the Movie Night. Free popcorn, pizza available to pre order, possible visit from Santa

Idea: Christmas Tree punch prize game as a fundraiser

Jacqui will reach out to some Grade 5 parents to gauge interest in a bake sale

Movie Ideas: Grinch, Polar Express

Christmas Market Idea is going to be shelved till next year

Idea: Giving Tree – out at Movie Night – will go towards Hamper families - in conjunction with funds raised from Christmas Store

Discussion on Christmas Store:

- Date set for Friday, Dec 15 with setup Wed after school in gym, Thursday
- Info to go home hopefully Tuesday, Nov 14
- call for kids to make crafts
- idea: new dog toys

Principal's Report

Update on school goals: writing

Remembrance Day assembly Thursday at 10am, parents invited

New Lost and Found items rack

Halloween Olympics were a big hit

Report Cards are now called Learning Updates as per Ministry of Education

Supplies purchased for Story Studios

Mrs Van Dyke along with Kiwanis has started up the Terrific Kids program

Support dogs every Friday

Diwali

Brian Hunter - Sports Canada - physical literacy

Constable Dyck did a talk on Social Media/Internet safety

Nov 27 first Art Starts performance

Kristen has reached out to contact at Kiwanis (Steve) for Santa Breakfast on Dec 22. Kristen will contact Aberdeen principal regarding PAC borrowing tables from Aberdeen

This is the last Santa Breakfast for our Co-Ordinator Krystine – we need someone to take it over, Jacqui to message last year's parent helper

Treasurer's Report

Update on Gaming and General Accounts

Krystal proposed the release of the following funds: Art Starts, Santa Breakfast, Community Building, Silent Auction, Christmas Store, Food Safe, Grade 5 Hoodies, Christmas Hampers. Vanessa seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Discussion on Science Event - \$1000 budgeted - enough for 4 virtual events

The Grant has been submitted for the music Artist in Residence Laura Koch

Vanessa is now a signer with the PAC credit union accounts

Fundraising Report

Cobbs is set up at High Street location - Jacqui will share on FB and email – flyer to send home

Neufeld flyer is being set up – email, FB and paper flyer will be sent home shortly

Veggie Box delivery Nov 23 Thurs - need gym - flyer and let parents know on FB and email

Meridian Meats: wait till the new year – it is an online order Gift Card fundraiser

Hive donuts: minimum order is 300 donuts \$12 per dozen cost, \$20 price point. Idea: add them to our canteen lunch - wait till new year

Boston Pizza \$50 Gift Card fundraiser - in new year

Shop Funds idea - idea to run before Christmas as businesses buy Gift Cards for yearend parties Idea for 50/50 in Spring: rafflebox.ca Jacqui looking into costs

Grade 5 Fundraising update: Account is at \$808 - Kristen is looking into the target goal is for our 44 students Farewell events

Hot Lunch Report

Cheryl B is doing Food Safe Course - The food handler course does not work

Upcoming: Canteen - pending food safe course. Idea: Neufeld cookie dough - must be nut free

Krystal is looking at the upcoming hot lunch possibly Friday, Nov 24

Other

Setting a date for Silent Auction sub-committee to be decided and then communicated

No meeting in December: committee meetings or chat groups

Jacqui: update from the PAC - upcoming dates in December

Adjourned 8:45pm

Upcoming PAC meetings – all first Tuesday of the month at 6pm

Jan 9 virtual, Feb 6 in person, Mar 5 virtual, Apr 9 in person, May 7 AGM virtual, June 4 in person