

**Bradner Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council**

Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2020

In Attendance:

Stacey Stinson, Tamara Arden, Jen Cowan, Kori Wall, Mike Luzia (virtual) Melissa Yeomans, ,
Christine Jordan, Stacey Stinson,

September Minutes

- September Minutes are being amended under Treasurer's Report to \$1100 for field trips rather than \$4100. There will be no apples at the turkey trot. Motion to accept September's minutes with amendments made by Melissa, 2nd by Kori, all in favour

Principal's Report

- Thanks to the PAC for moving out of the classroom downstairs. Bradner has stepped up to support a district initiative. We have 3 new teachers who fit in very well with the staff and the school. Please welcome Chris Snyder – blended learning class gr. 3-5; Jessica Gorham – Blended learning k – 2; Mrs. Yost – grade 4
- Bradner has had an amazing start up with quite a smooth transition in these new times
- The staff is starting to think about how to move towards some parent volunteer inclusion. Mrs. Jordan is going to a district meeting next week and she will get more direction then. The staff would like to have some classroom volunteers and there may be some room for field trips in the future.
- Nov. 2 is the annual joint partners meeting – 6:30 to 8:30 at Cascade Community church. This will include Mrs. Jordan and up to two teachers and two parents
- Parent teacher interviews will be on Oct.22 and they will be remote – either through zoom or phone
- Ms. Jordan had a phone call with the district child and youth counsellor – she runs weekly on-line workshops on Friday nights related to child development. Parents can register on-line. Parents can contact Ms. Jordan for more information
- Teacher funding requests – Mrs. Jordan distributed them and some have filled it out for special funds for their classes in addition to the \$300. The PAC will review the requests. Kori is going to talk to the teachers to ask them to spend their \$300 and then put in any additional special requests. She is also going to ask them if they would take 2nd hand donations for some of their items and see if we can round up some donations to fill the requests
- Ms. Jordan received an email from Lorelee Davies from Signal Hill Charity about presentations to children grade 5 and up related to mental health and social issues. She will forward it to the PAC – there are recorded and virtual presentations
- There was an elderly man who attended the school last week – he peeked in the windows and was looking for an entry point to use a bathroom. He was out for a drive using a metal detector. He was easily re-directed away from the school.

- The school ran an in-school cross country meet – the school gave individual medals to the participants

Treasurer's Report

- Stacey is still waiting on receipts from last year to close out finances for last year
- She would like to finish this as soon as possible so she can get organized for this year.
- The teachers classroom funds have been distributed
- We have not yet received our gaming grant authorization yet
- Things are up in the air right now but hopefully there will be more information to share next month
- Re-adjusting the budget for COVID times – we will talk about field trips next month after Mrs. Jordan attends the district meeting – we can also talk more about in-school presentations

DPAC

- Nothing to report this month

Immediate Funding Opportunities and Voting

- Pizza parties - Motion to provide up to \$350 in funds to cover one pizza party per class this year made by Tamara, 2nd by Kori, all in favor, motion passed
- Mr. Marsh has requested sets of playground balls – Motion to provide up to \$480 to purchase playground balls made by Stacey, 2nd by Melissa, all in favor, motion passed.
- Christmas craft - Motion to provide up to \$150 in funds to purchase supplies for Christmas craft made by Kori, 2nd by Tamara, all in favor, motion passed
- Cross country medals – Motion to provide \$100 in funds to pay for Cross Country Medals made by Kori, 2nd by Stacey, all favor, motion passed
- Parting gift for Mrs. Bray – motion to provide up to \$75 in funds to purchase a gift card for Mrs. Bray made by Tamara, 2nd by Melissa, all in favor, motion passed.

Other Business

- Art Cards – we are doing Christmas Art cards this year. Order forms will go out in November. Aksana is going to coordinate this.
- Neufeld's Sale – Mrs. Sandhu is not going to do a Neufeld order before Christmas because there is no online payment option. The PAC can coordinate this as a school fundraiser in November. Melissa will coordinate this
- Kori has written a donation request letter that can go out for October
- Gift Card Sale – Kori has registered for this and will send the forms home in November as a fundraiser for the school
- Kori will coordinate seed and bulb fundraisers for the spring
- Spring art cards and hanging basket sales will also be planned for the spring
- Bradner Spirit Wear – Stacey will give out the t-shirts to kindergarten students. Melissa is working on the grad hoody ordering.
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- Ladies night fundraiser – we had a discussion about having a ladies wine night as a fundraiser/paint night – Stacey has a paint night contact and she will organize it – it will likely be at the Bradner hall
- Halloween Activity – we are not going to do this
- Remembrance Day – there will be no tea this year

Round Table

- Melissa has asked Charlie Atherton to purchase the reading bike.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:47am.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 13th at 9:15 pm.