

**PAC MEETING
BAYRIDGE ELEMENTARY SEPTEMBER 21, 2016**

In Attendance: Malin Stones, Janet Loewen, Jessica Guiliani, Angie Haertl, Fiona Lai, Gary Lai, Gurdev Grewal-Glups, Lily Qin, Honey-Dawn Faircrest, Daryl Holm, Principal Jennifer Jock

Acting Chair: Janet Loewen

Motion to Open: Given at 6:40pm by Malin Stones, Janet Loewen

Principal's Report:

- A big thank you for warm welcome to school from Bayridge families!
- 318 Students enrolled, we have added a division this year
- Cross Country just started, we had first meet this week
- Soccer to start soon, will have boys team, girls invited to practices (not enough interest for an all girls team or a co-ed team)
- Arts Residency: "Love to Dance" starts tomorrow
- Terry Fox run next week
- Meet the teacher open house 3-4pm Sept 29
- Monday Pro D Day, teachers will be looking at reporting changes, likely most looking at Fresh Grade for main reporting tool (ongoing communication), more info coming to parent community
- School blog bayridgelearns.com, first blog has been posted

Treasurer's Report:

- Submitted by Liz Graham
- Presented by Janet Loewen

Fundraising Initiatives 2016/2017 School Year

- Fundraising projections reviewed (Hot Lunch, Pizza/Hot Dog Days, BBQ, Clothing Drive, Art Cards, Christmas Store, Pancake Breakfast, Check Writing Campaign, Gaming Funds)
- Budget reviewed

We are very fortunate to have technology devices (laptops, iPads), however, due to advances in technology and wear and tear, devices become out of date and unserviceable

- Funding amounts to approximately \$2000 per year, we rely on grants and PAC funds for purchasing technology

Current needs are:

- 6 laptops are needed for teachers (we have managed to purchase 5 with PAC funds so far)

-10% of all net funds raised will be put into care and concern account to help cover needs between Holly Elementary and for our own Bayridge families in need

- We are in need of a new speaker system for the gym

Motion to Accept Budget: Malin Stones, Gurdev Grewal-Glups

Book Drive Suggestion:

- Idea put forward by Inga Mork and Tania Fehr to collect gently used books, games and puzzles to be sold for reasonable price (proceeds to support Bayridge Library)
- *Suggestion to donate leftover books, puzzles, games to Holly Elementary
- Excellent idea, however, concerns about not overburdening families and teachers with extra fundraising and also interfering/overlapping with other student initiatives
- Other concerns would be that the librarian is very specific in her selection of books and needs to select from a list of books approved by the school board
- Some concerns about the amount of work involved as well as materials being dated

*Also mentioned was the value of PAC allotting money for the library for purchase of approved books (apparently scholastic is not giving back as much proceeds to the school)

-Those in attendance in favour of budgeting \$1500 towards the library

-Suggestion made to add this to an event such as at the BBQ

PAC Executive Roles Reviewed:

-Handout with definitions reviewed

New PAC Executive Elections:

Chair/President- Position remains open

Vice Chair/President- Honey-Dawn

Communications- Jessica will continue in this role

Secretary- Malin

Treasurer- Liz Graham

Members at Large- Janet Loewen (Past Chair)

- Angie Haertl (Past Secretary)

Note: We need to have a president on paper to qualify for gaming funds

Class Parents:

-Would like to have class parents involved in PAC meetings and to be liaison between PAC and kids in class

-Need to put this in newsletter for divisions not spoken for in bold

Motion To Close: Given at 7:51pm by Gurdev Grewal-Glups and Gary Lai