

Brock Middle School – PAC Meeting Minutes – November 25, 2020

Attendance: Deb T, Sabrina S, Sheri L & Principal Horton

Agenda Approval:

- Approved as circulated

Previous Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2020: • Approved as circulated

Old Business:

- Jersey Update – Principal Horton thinks he sent the invoice to Sabrina. Jerseys have arrived. Sabrina will confirm the exact amount to be paid from the invoice and will meet with Sheri to sign cheque for jerseys.
- Cold Weather Plan & Kids Eating Indoors for Lunch: Kids have the option to eat 20-30 minutes and then are being asked to head outdoors because the weather has been gorgeous. The plan is in place when the weather gets colder that kids will stay in the same room, they eat lunch and hang out with their cohort. Some teachers have already been allowing certain kids indoors that may need extra support. What are we doing with winter gear? The plan is still to take gear around and put gear in back of their classroom?
- Lockers: Hopeful that kids will have lockers in January. Grade 7 will have locks provided from the school that will remain with the school at the end of the year. Potential for 150-200 kids in hallways, so need to stagger times and only use them for winter gear.

Financial Report:

- Account Update – Sabrina waiting for bank statements that may be at the school sitting in mail room. Assuming we received the \$15,000 grant.

\$24,800 in Gaming Account and General \$5,800 approximate balances

5 cheques written (Terry Fox \$900 & 4 cheques each for \$750 for scholarships for Norkam Students that were previous Brock Students)

We need to confirm the 2020-21 PAC Budget. We will move from 4 to 5 bursaries each for \$750 for 2020-21 school year as there wasn't a cheque cashed from 2018-2019 recipient. We will add that extra bursary to this year to be given to a fifth Norkam Student. Principal Norton will notify Norkam that this year we will offer 5 bursaries.

End of Year BBQ funds? Plan to spend the funds at the end of the year, but not sure if it will be used in June or carry over to September 2021 to the next Welcome Back BBQ.

Year End Awards and Sports Trophies have \$2500 that can potentially be spent this year.

Boardgames have been impacted by covid regulations. Funds will be left in the Gaming account to be decided how to be spent at a future date.

Supporting McQueen Lake - activities will likely not be happening this year, considerations for how those funds could be spent will be discussed as the budget continues to unfold. Potential to support some environmental initiatives at Brock or the sustainable foods program?

Activity Days (Winter/Summer): Leave allotted funds.

Intramurals aren't running but \$ will be left as intended.

Leadership has \$500 allotted and funds will likely be used for this year. Video link was sent out for Remembrance Day video.

Funding Requests:

Staff Appreciation Luncheon: Principal Horton has planned for lunch on December 7th (winter staff celebration) for appreciation. Rough estimate of cost is \$1200-\$1400, upwards of 70 staff (less than \$20 a person). Sheri carried the motion for PAC to donate up to \$700 to the Staff Luncheon and Sabrina seconded the vote. Principal Horton will pay the full expense and PAC will reimburse at the next PAC meeting out of our General Funds Account.

Principal's Report:

1. Parent Teacher Interviews: Went really well. It was fantastic for staff to speak with a lot of the families than they have connected too historically. Usually, families can't get away from other priorities, so it went really well, and staff would like to continue with the phone calls. Timing was good with clearer expectations. Clear if it will be a phone call or Google Meet
2. Report Card coming out mid-December. Will be released on MyedBC. Deadline for teacher marks is December 4th. Email to parents on December 14, 2020. IEP (Individual Education Plans) a new structure being put in place and will be mailed home to families regardless if they have internet access. Report Cards will not have letter grades – they will be based on the Proficiency Scale – Emerging, Developing, Proficient and Extending.

DPAC Report:

Tonight, is the first Indigineous DPAC Meeting for School District 73 with lots of interest, upwards of 30 attendees expected. Will hear more in January at our next PAC meeting.

BCC PAC Fall Seminar – Discussed how great School District 73 is doing trying to recognize inclusive culture.

Parent Education: Screenagers Movie

Ask about Adult: Will have more information coming forward

Parenting in a Digital Age: More information coming soon.

Cole Levitt: Depths of Comfort (grade 2-7, has to be able to use Chromebook). Helping kids utilize stress.

Correspondence: Will work on getting the bank statements.

Meeting adjourned:

Next Meeting – January 20, 2021 @ 7pm

Following Meetings for 2021 are: February 17, April 21, May 19, June 16