

PHSS PAC, General Meeting
Tuesday, May 31st, 2022, at PHSS and Zoom

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lekakis, Anne Pino, Jodee Young, Patti Soos, Tanis Zayshley, Melanie Ewen, Cheryl, Mary MacKay, Katrina Bishop, Samantha Haines

CALL TO ORDER: 6:46 PM

Anne asked to add an item for grad fundraising/rotary and gaming account to the agenda.

It was **MOVED** by Anne Pino to approve the minutes of the April 6th PAC general meeting.

SECOND - Tanis Zayshley

CARRIED

It was **MOVED** by Tanis to approve the agenda as amended.

SECOND - Katrina

CARRIED

Principal's Report

1. PAC spending requests:

- The donated fridge unfortunately doesn't work, so the school still needs one.
- Yearbook - last year the PAC donated toward the costs, can we do this again?
- Longterm planning - the washer and dryer are very old. They still work, but will need to be replaced soon.

2. Hot Lunch - Anne: since it doesn't look there will be any funding coming from the school district, the plan is to continue looking for community sponsorship. The cost should be increased to \$300 per lunch while continuing to work with the Oak Tree Market.

Chris said there is normally a 'welcome back' BBQ with parents. Anne said knowing how many lunches would need to be sponsored in September would dictate whether or not an ad in the Harbour Spiel is worth the cost.

Chris asked if perhaps volunteers could go get the food this year, because it has been staff members.

3. I Reports - Phone calls to parents have begun for students on track to receive I reports, giving an opportunity to catch up.

4. and 5. School Themes and Staffing - Main themes: place of belonging and trauma-informed practice, Ensouling and the path to Truth and Reconciliation. Ensouling Our Schools book is central. Would like to have Kevin Lamoureux come and speak. Also would like more opportunities for staff, parents and students to mix.

6. Sports Teams/Intramurals - In the spirit of opening the school and connecting, an idea would be sports games mixing staff, parents and students.

Regarding staffing changes - it's still a moving picture, but there will be changes. The number of positions will remain the same.

- June 1st - Grade sixes have 'Sakinaw for a Day' field trip, and have been coming to the school for events through the year so they'll already be familiar with the staff and other students. Creating connections.

- June 3rd - Mt. Daniel field trip

- June 8th - Pride activities

- throughout June - Indigenous history month

- June 10th - grade 7/8 Bard on the Beach field trip

- June 20th - PHSS Banquet

- June 21st - PHSS Grad

Comments on Principal's Report:

Yearbook contribution for this year: it underwent a vote recorded in the February minutes that \$1000 be contributed by the PAC toward the yearbook this year, \$500 from the gaming account and \$500 from the operating account.

Chris asked if anyone received a copy of the book 'What Happened to Me', by Bruce Perry. A reminder for him to revisit this in September. The staff has copies.

Treasurer's Report by Jodee Young

In January, opened with \$3300. Samosa fundraiser = \$149. Gave \$129 to the Ukraine. \$500 was given by the Legion, and we gave that money to the breakfast program. Paid up for Harbour Spiel. Bank balance as of now is \$2702. Gaming account = \$520.17, and we should give all of that to the yearbook so the balance is \$0.

In September we had \$4000, so we're a little bit down.

Spending:

Yearbook decided. Still need fridge and washer/dryer. BBQ gathering for year-end?

Question from Jodee: Who checks that the money going to the district that is earmarked for PHSS is the balance that comes back to us? Is it Anna? Generally, who has the paper trail? Chris will check on this.

Chris says that he pays the Oak Tree up front with his card, and waits for the district to reimburse. Mark Heidebrecht did the same thing when he was filling in. Chris will look into

how it all works. One priority is that the donors get their tax receipts. As long as donor cheques say 'earmarked for Pender Harbour Secondary', that money should come back to us. It was suggested there should be a system in place to be able to check on this.

Fridge: Chris - there should be a break with 'education pricing'.
The washer and dryer can wait until next year.

It was **MOVED** by Jodee Young that the PAC donate \$1000 toward a fridge.

SECOND - Tanis Zayshley

CARRIED

It was **MOVED** by Anne Pino that the Treasurer's Report be approved.

SECOND - Tanis Zayshley

CARRIED

Community School Update - N/A

DPAC Update - N/A

School Trustee Update by Sam Haines

- At the meeting today they talked about Food in Schools and the survey results, but the minutes are not available yet so Sam is not yet aware of the results of that discussion.
- 2.6 million has been approved for a new day care centre at Madeira Park Elementary School.
- The board attended the AGM but their motion didn't pass, which was about Equity in Schools. They're going to revisit it and try again.
- The committee meetings are still online, but will be moving back to in-person.

Old Business - no old business.

New Business

Bursary - There was one applicant, Madison. The letter was read aloud. The recipient will be taking a 'gap' year, so the bursary will be for September 2023.

Gaming Account - Jodee: we've been informed we're outstanding on some of our raffle reports, dating from 2007. We don't know anything about this. Until we can figure this out, in order for the Rotary to give us proceeds from their 50/50 raffles, not sure of the procedure. Serendipity had a similar problem and they had to dig up old minutes. Perhaps we could find old minutes for PHSS to help figure this out. We have to satisfy the gaming branch. The gaming grant hasn't been affected. The raffle report may be a different division. There is a concern that the money the Rotary 50/50 is donating to the grads may be delayed.

With Serendipity, the Rotary couldn't pass on the funds because their gaming account was non-compliant. So they needed the reports to come into compliance. Another thing to remember is that gaming money can't be paid to the school district, and can't go directly to curricular items. Where can gaming money go? Only to a vender?

The Rotary is also planning to give the June 50/50 to the grads because there are continuing expenses. Chris said the banquet is being done by a caterer so it's more expensive. There was some confusion thinking the fundraising target was reached, but there are more expenses and the grads want to cover all the costs so families don't have to pay anything for the banquet.

It was suggested that the Rotary funds for June could go to the high school as a more general donation, or for other expenses like hot lunch or a new washer/dryer, while the PAC donates to the grads instead for their remaining expenses. It was decided to leave it as-is, with the explanation that unexpected expenses have arisen.

Regarding the gaming account noncompliance, Sam suggested talking to DPAC. They may have been through this. Jodee suggested also contacting gaming for guidance. Jodee said she can send them an email but will need help digging if that becomes necessary. They were 'Class B' raffles, from 2006, 2007 and 2008. Perhaps ask Paola Stewart if she recalls this. Each raffle was December to March. Jodee will email the Community Gaming Grants Branch to see if they can waive the raffle reports that put us into noncompliance, to satisfy receiving the gaming grants from the Rotary 50/50. It was questioned how far back they can go. CRA is seven years, so there was speculation that older raffle reports could 'age out'.

Chris asked that everyone email him with an idea for a community-building event. Anne suggested 'Paintillio'. It's a company that sets up a large paint-by-number mural. Ideas can include both student and general community.

Next general meeting was set for Wednesday, September 19th, at 6:30pm.

ADJOURNED: 8:01 pm