

**Barriere Elementary School PAC**  
**March 2017**

Attendance: *Dori Lynn, Sarah Dewey, Michelle Johnson, Cory Carmichael, Ashley Salle, Jen Crosman, Lindsay Arcand*

Principal Report:

- Painting is ongoing, and renovations will continue throughout the calendar year – Replacing Windows, shutters, possibly stucco work, and paint, and hopefully some paving and correction of drainage issue when septic hookup completes.
- 2 Requests for Funding:
  - To purchase a second microwave – approx \$100 – approved
  - Yoga Mats – go from 12 to 30 to make a class set at approx \$360 total – approved (possible to come from gaming account)
  - \*pending third request for sports gear like snowshoes, dodgeballs, equipment, etc, once inventory taken, and pricing arranged.
- School Growth Plans – surveyed kids and sent questions to parents – getting lots of feedback, which has been very good and insightful. Once compiled, will also need to align with the District Strap Plan.

Treasurer Report:

- Review of accounts, summary net of outstanding items below:
  - General Account: \$11,616.47
  - Gaming Account: \$5,470.59
  - Hot Lunch Account: \$2,221.17
  - Outdoor Classroom: \$6,928.16

Chair Report:

- Please provide Dori with a copy of all grant applications, or letters of request, so that if approached for clarification, she is in the loop.

NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

Hot Lunch Update:

- Spring Menu, should take us to the end of the year: Mac and Cheese, Grilled Cheese, Soup, Chili and a bun, etc.
- Will be including an order form in the upcoming PAC newsletter, to try to increase participation.
- Request to pay for Don and Nancy to take Food Safe Level 1, as they are the main volunteers for the Hot Lunch – approved.
- Overall, program is supporting itself financially.

Sarah D / Resiliency Road Trip

- Upcoming event being hosted by Jen Kerslake and Cory Carmichael
- Advertising on Social Media, in newsletters, posters, etc
- Request for Synervoice – approved.

Scholastic Update: Colleen – Absent

Outdoor Classroom Update:

- Still progressing, currently obtaining quotes for insurance during construction
- Goal is to have it completed by the end of the school year
- Derek Pullen has offered support if needed
- Once completed, proposed to have a Thank You BBQ for all the Volunteers, Donors, etc.

Fun Day:

- Need to reserve Inflatables now, so date required – settled on Monday June 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Set up separate committee to organize and run the Fun Day – if interested, please contact Dori who will add you to the Facebook page – please also invite other parents, grandparents, etc. We will need lots of volunteers.
- Add info to newsletter – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held on Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Ridge (District Building).
- It would be great to have it in Fadear Park, to be able to add SplashPad, Playground, Gazebo, etc.

General Discussions:

- Request sent to Interior Savings to set up the account with online access, and waive the \$3 fee
- Fundraising – what do we want to do as a fundraiser this spring?
  - Lindsay to investigate 'Fresh to you' Fundraiser
  - Jen Crosman offered to host a Tupperware Fundraiser – 40% goes to the school, with very little effort required.
  - Dielmans book is available, but not a lot of good items to choose from
  - Highschool does Purdy's, so do not want to overlap.
  - Any ideas would be helpful – please submit to Dori
- Strong Start – there have been some comments inquiring about a back up facilitator for when Ms Tracey is unable to attend – not in the control of the School – they just provide the area. Reminder for everyone to check the StrongStart facebook page, as Ms Tracey is VERY good at updating it and keeping attendees informed.
- If anyone is interested in Volunteering in the school, or if the school needs volunteers, please coordinate with Cory, and he can use the resources of NTVIC as well.
- Music discussion – not funded by the District, slowly being eliminated, as it relies on the strength of the teacher. Maybe there is an opportunity to partner with the Highschool? Food for thought?

NEXT MEETING SET FOR MONDAY APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:45am

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