

Barriere Elementary PAC Minutes
November 2015

Attendance: Denise Wright, Michelle Johnson, Juliana Oja, Leesa Dredge, Gordon Cumming, Colleen Tremblay, Jen Power, Kristine Faulds, Chrissy Pullen, Marilyn Ransome, Lindsay Arcand, Angeline Farrow

1. Introduction & Welcome
2. Adoption of previous minutes
3. Approval of Agenda

4. Reports:

Principal's Report

Farms to School Fundraiser ~

1. Parent Helpers Needed for Sorting & Distribution
2. Arrival 9-12 Wednesday November 25
3. Funds to Learning Resources \$700

Second Annual Winter Family Night

4. Grade 7s will have Chili & Bun @ 4:30 pm
5. Craft making @ 6:00 pm
6. Primary Choir @ 7:00 pm

PAC Registration Signatures ~ required by month end

Remembrance Day Assembly ~

7. Tuesday, November 10th @ 10:45 am at BSS Gr. 6&7 walking, younger ones taking bus
8. Poppies to be distributed
9. Teachers have done classroom activities – we sent artwork from 5 classes up there

Volleyball Teams ~

10. Both the Boys' and the Girls' Teams are holding their own in the Tier I League and both are attending the TRU Wolfpack Tourney this Friday
11. Grade 4/5 will play Raft River

Fire Drills/Lockdown ~

12. Have completed two very successful practices for Fire Drills and one for Lockdown

Report Cards ~

13. Will be issued December 10th
14. Parent-Teacher Interviews went well on October 22nd
15. Parents can request interviews by indicating on the Report Card Envelope

D.E.A.R. ~

16. Students and Staff Dropped Everything and Read (DEAR) for twenty minutes in the Gym with a 'Beach Theme' with music and buddy reading

Letters of Request for Funding ~

17. Athletics \$567 they sent us wrong invoice initially we got the one for the high school

-Motion by Marilyn, 2nd Leesa -Approved by all

18. Bus for Remembrance Day @ BSS \$300 – PAC agrees to pay half cost and school will pay half
-Approved by all

19. Colour Groups ROAR Activity \$240

Christmas giving theme, make hampers for food bank i.e. Cookie recipe in mason jar, all ingredients on labels, Lynn McGravey is contact on this, we want to make 120, students go to food bank on Dec. 18th 3-5pm to help sort toys for kids' hampers \$240 for mason jars, will talk to local AG Foods store about purchasing supplies like flour and school would pay for that. Maybe we could approach businesses to sponsor the cost of the jars. Dollar store is not in a position to help out with this. We need to get this organized by early December. Gord will make a few calls on this. (TimbrMart, Subway) Send out synervice asking parents to buy new 1 L wide mouth mason jars or contribute money towards purchasing jars by Nov. 30 to be used Dec.4th. Motion by Marilyn 2nd Leesa, approved all to cover remainder up to \$200. Further to this it was decided to use bags instead of jars with students artwork on the bags.

5. Treasurer's Report

No bank statements yet. Lindsay says we could have online access for account if we meet with bank to set that up. -Motion by Denise 2nd by Lindsay allow treasurer's online access to bank account once we get that set up with the bank. -Approved by all.

6. **Guest: Public Health Nurse-Angela Semrick** not able to make it today, hard with flu season, contacted school to advise of Allerject recall and we did have one student affected, good work.

7. Previous Business:

Purdy's Sorting Dec 03 (after lunch)

\$8400 plus \$900 online plus \$300 more to deposit. Denise thinks it is 25% we get to keep for the school. Meals room may be a good place to receive delivery. Sort and then next morning deliver to classrooms. Add option to take-home letter to give straight donation instead of purchasing. With online orders the students name or teacher is not included in information so this makes it harder to sort. Maybe add to name field.

Cards

Teachers are not able to do it at this time. Maybe next year during ROAR week would be a good time to do this kind of a project. We have 220 but can order more, we will plan at last staff meeting in June when we plan our ROAR week activities.

Buddy Bench-price range? Connor Farrow ran for school office this year and gave a speech with an idea towards the Friendship Bench idea. Have his Dad mill the wood and have a high school student build it. Gord and he will research liability and responsibilities with school board, not sure about location yet, what colour it would be, maybe a sign to go with it.

Fast Eddy was here after he completed the first half of his run across Canada and back. Mrs. Matthews class has written letters of support to him. He talked about texting and driving after someone drifted off the road and smashed his trolley because they were texting.

Sports Equipment There are needs but Gord thinks we are good until next month, want to get some of the older kids' input and prioritize requests

Major Goal/Project perhaps a climbing structure(20K) or a gazebo (2-5K), there are many play structures already on the school grounds but it seems every time one goes out a door there are students sitting there, we will discuss further once Sarah gets back, there are a lot of students who would use the gazebo and maybe a couple of friendship benches. Maybe we could do both with the more affordable one first. Looking into costs on the gazebo sitting area first.

Would have to be installed/insured by school board.

BBQ We do not really need until spring, would like it to be very portable and mobile, Gord will do some more research on this.

8. New Business:

Requests

***Copyright License** If PAC wants to do 3 movie nights a year as a fundraiser it would be worth it but not worth it for occasional classroom viewing. Lindsay suggested we may be able to partner with credit union when they host their movie nights. She will look into it.

We have a new 4 hr CEA Lana Moore, she has twins that attend our school.

9. Date Next Meeting:

Dec 8 8:50