Fort Assiniboine School Parent's Society Meeting Agenda November 4th, 2020 6:00 pm

Attendance

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Quorum
- 3. Additions or Deletions to Agenda
- 4. Approval of Agenda
- 5. Approval of Meeting Minutes September 9, 2020
- 6. Reports
 - > Treasurers Report
- 7. Old Business
 - Bacon Fundraising Update
- 8. New Business
 - Membership Forms
 - Parent Society purchased items
- 9. Next Meeting
- 10. Adjourned

Meeting Minutes

November 4 at 6:00pm

Fort Assiniboine School Parent's Society

Attendance:

Teresa Dekker, Crystal Wood, Tara McQueen, Megan Petryshen, Penny Price, Lorna Hiemstra, Roxanne Cross

Call to Order:

Tara McQueen calls the meeting to order at 6:11 pm; Secretary Megan Petryshen recorded the minutes.

Quorum:

Quorum has been met

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Tara McQueen would like to add Funding Discussion to new business

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u>

 Penny Price moves to accept the agenda as amended. Teresa Dekker seconded it. All in favour. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

- Roxanne Cross would like the wording to be changed for better understanding under New Business – Open House.
- Teresa Dekker moves to accept the minutes as amended from September 9, 2020. Tara McQueen seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Crystal Wood would like to Change the dollar amount from \$153.02 to \$53.02 in the minutes from June 17, 2020.
- Teresa Dekker moves to accept the minutes as amended from June 17, 2020. Tara McQueen seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Presented by Crystal Wood, see attached

Old Business

Bacon & Other Fundraising Update:

- Our first bacon fundraiser was a huge success. We raised \$2858.96 for our school.
 People are already asking when we are going to be doing it again because they would like to order more.
- Teresa Dekker will make some changes if/when we do this fundraiser again. We were charged \$70/box instead of the standard \$65/box because the delivery was outside of Edmonton. We ended up paying over \$900 for this extra delivery fee which is outrageous. Teresa did ask if they would like for donate some of the over \$900.00 back to the school and they declined. Next time Teresa is going to negotiate the delivery fee at a maximum amount, or we will just go to the city and pick up the bacon ourselves and deliver to the school. There were some issues with people not having a credit card in order to make an order however most people were able to add their order to someone else's order or Teresa added it to her own order on her own credit card. Over all this was a huge success for our school and we are sure we will be doing this fundraiser again soon.
- It was asked if the Society would be able to apply for a credit card, however after looking in
 the bylaws we would not be able to do that. If we have the issue come up again about not
 having a credit card it was suggested to let the person know they could purchase a prepaid
 credit card and then use that.
- We had talked about doing the ice melt fundraiser for our junior high students to help cover the cost of extra curricular sports teams however because of CoVid there are no extra curricular sports going on. Do we still want to do this fundraiser? There is a minimum order of 60 pails of ice melt at a cost of \$17/pail. We decided we will see what the interest is for the ice melt and if we can get enough interest so that we can sell 40 pails at \$25/pail (to cover the original cost,) we will go ahead with the fundraiser. Lorna Hiemstra said we would be able to store the other 20 pails not sold by pre orders in the school garage until sold. If we can not sell at least 40 pails with the pre orders, we will not do this fundraiser this year. Teresa will make a post on the school and parent society Facebook pages about this and too see how much interest there is.
- We also were hoping to do the Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser in the new year (Jan/Feb. 2021.) Tara McQueen is going to look into this for us.
- There was a discussion for a wish list from the staff and students to get an idea of things they would like to have and use at school. Parent Society members will go to each class and talk to the staff and students about making up a wish list and putting up a with board at school. We will also post the wish list on the school website, Facebook page, newsletters and the local newspaper so community members can see what the school is needing and contribute if they would like.

New Business

Membership Forms:

 We received 10 membership forms back and they were all emailed about the meeting however no new members have showed up to this meeting. Tara McQueen will be actively updating the Facebook page to keep the community informed about what's going on with the school's Parent Society.

Parent Society Purchased Items:

• Megan Petryshen had been asked by a staff member if they could purchase one of the many sewing machines not being used by students. It seems there are about a dozen sewing machines that were purchased by the Parent Society that have not been used in years. Lorna Hiemstra said we the school can not sell the items purchased by the Parent Society but will be looking to get the word out to maybe have Sewing as a CTF option for the junior high students.

Funding Discussion:

- Any items that the staff would like to purchase for the school that they are hoping the
 Parent Society can cover, we would like to be emailed a funding request. That way the
 executive members can look over the request, discuss and decide as a group if we would
 like to cover the cost or not. The Parent's Society just wants to make sure we are not
 paying for things that Pembina Hills could possibly be paying for instead.
- Music class has looked very different this year, it is being held in the gym to accommodate
 for social distancing. The students have been learning about and using percussion
 instruments, as that is allowed under the current guidelines and singing is not. That is the
 reason for the funding request for me percussion instruments for the music room.
- Megan Petryshen will make sure to get the meeting minutes sent to Maureen so they can be put on the school website and we will put on the Facebook page that the meeting minutes are available on the school website.

Principal Input

- Lorna Hiemstra said the first few weeks of school have been a huge learning curve for everyone but feels like our staff and students are doing a great job. There are a few families that have decided to homeschool their children however our attendance numbers have stayed steady with our large kindergarten class again this year and 3 new students in other grades.
- There will be no school field trips for the foreseeable future.
- Lorna Hiemstra is looking into school sports. She currently has 7 girls interested in volleyball, currently they can play games against one other school. The school can only do one sport at a time, so the students are only in one cohort at a time. She is looking into getting parents to drive for games.
- The students seem very happy to be back at school, even with the mask wearing for the older students.
- Lorna Hiemstra will talk with the students and the Students Union about a wish list of items
 they would like to get from the fundraising we will be doing this year. A nice way to get the
 students involved.

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Next Meeting: Annual General Meeting Wednesday February 24, 2021, 6:00 pm Fort Assiniboine School.

Adjourn: 7:51 pm

Approved on: April 19/24

Secretary Signature

Parent Society Treasurers Report. Nov. 4/2020

Fort Assiniboine Parent Society General account:

Balance from the Sept. 9/2020 meeting: \$41642.49

2 interest payments go into the account, and deposit of \$2858.96 for Bacon fundraiser

- Closing balance as of Oct. 23/2020 - \$44504.10

Fort Assiniboine Parent Society Casino account:

Balance from the Sept. 9/2020 meeting: \$23891.16

2 interest payments went into the account

-Closing balance as of Oct.23/2020 - \$23892.32

Cash:

untouched - \$303.80