

NMS Parent Advisory Council  
March 20, 2023

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Call the meeting to order at 19:05

Those present: Tara M, Sherri H, Leisel M, Heather S

Welcome and general info:

Review minutes from last meeting (Dec 13, 2022): Leisel read through the minutes. Tara motioned to approve the minutes. Heather seconded.

1. Old business

- Tess, ICE, Val Caldwell education sessions
- NACI was asking to televise the session. Sherri will talk to Tess. Parent Council is in favour.
- 4 sessions seems to be a good number to offer each school year.

2. Treasurer's report

- PAC account has \$5,168.04 (Of that, \$1,040 is 50/50 funds)

3. Play structure update:

- Finish strong: we need to finish up a few loose ends (sign, reporting forms, meteor installation, grand opening)
- Sign: we need to check the sign width. Val and Sherri will ask them to scale down the width of the sign and provide pictures of the site.
- Heather and Leisel will do the Reporting Forms for CO-OP and Town of Neepawa. We will need a financial statement from the DO.
- Sherri will touch base with Tyler to see when the Meteor will be installed. We would like it installed before the Grand Opening.

- We need to plan a Grand Opening. Approx June 8th, 2023. PAC will pay for the BBQ with play structure funds from the division. Invites: donors, volunteers, kids, staff. This will be a noon BBQ.

- Sherri will design an Invite for all the donors to be ready to be dispersed once we have a date.

4. Other Fundraising:

A) **Band equipment:** due to the interest, there is not enough band equipment. Risers are needed.

- The band teachers have written a letter to request donation funds from HyLife. *we have not heard anything from this*
- Heather applied for a grant with the BPCF.

B) 50/50 **fundraiser** for band equipment:

- We sold tickets at the band concert, student led conference meetings, Harris Pharmacy  
Currently the pot is at \$1,040

Other ideas: No more fundraising for this school year.

5. Using up PAC account funds:

- Sherri will email the teachers to see if they want to apply for NMS PAC funds before our next meeting.
- Do we want to use PAC funds for snacks at the Operetta? Smores for the grade 8 camp trip? Sherri will talk to Grade 5 teachers. Tara will talk to Kat Jackman at the Roxy.
- Heather motions to provide smores for the grade 8 camp trip up to a max cost of \$300. Leisel seconds.
- Heather motions to purchase treats for the Operetta up to a max cost of \$300. Leisel seconds.

6. Pay it Forward Jr Tigers clothing drop off. Leisel will organise a clothing donation bin to have ready for early May outside the office. Sherri will advertise and push for this in May/June

7. Teacher appreciation:

- Will occur in the month of April 4,11,18,25
- Teacher appreciation days will be on Tuesdays for lunch meals. Tara will reach out to families for preparing lunches.
- Tara will set wellness activities (zumba, spin, boxing, painting)

8. PAC meeting format for next school year:

- Idea for next year: can we run an in-camera Parent Council with a summary and question time for parents via ZOOM?
- This might be a good thing to try for the 2023-2024 school year.
- We will put this in the school newsletter in June and again in September

Next PAC meeting will be Wednesday May 24th at 7:00

Meeting called to an end at 20:08