

DDS Home & School Council Meeting  
September 10, 2015

Present: Kelly McLeod, Kelly Spanke, Kari Hanna, Cammy Dunn, Michelle Marti, Melanie Fleischhauer, Sandra Fremstad. Principal – Shari Rogerson, Teacher – Carol Gibson, Trustee – Craig Whitehead.

Kelly opened the meeting at 3:45pm with introductions, circulation of agenda with addition of 2017 calendar. It was approved by Sandra.

Minutes from the last meeting were read with a correction to note. The burgers for track meet were not available from Ben's or Canada Gold, so were purchased from Berts. Kelly S approved the minutes.

Old Business:

Kelly reported the **apple fundraiser** will not be until October and the orchard is not sure about the pricing right now due to fires and drought in BC, so we will have to table this fundraiser until we have more information.

The **school start** supply program was used by some parents this year. Melanie reported she used it and liked how easy it was. Good to know and we can continue it in the future as it costs us nothing and we get a little \$ from it.

New Business:

**Terry Fox Run** – It is scheduled for Friday, Sept 25<sup>th</sup> and with early dismissal we will not provide lunch this year. Sandra moved "H&S PROVIDE SNACK FOR ALL STAFF AND STUDENTS, SPENDING UP TO \$200.00". Kari Sec. Carried. Yogurt tubes and bananas will likely make this up.

**Halloween Carnival** – It will be on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. We will run it the same format as last year. 45minutes for each division. Carol suggested we have 2 Fear Factor stations as that is where the back-up occurred last year. We will need parent volunteers to make it work and will work out more details at October's meeting.

**Executive** - CHAIR – Sandra nominated Kelly McLeod. She accepted and is in by acclamation.

VICE CHAIR - Cammy nominated Kari Hanna. She accepted and is in by acclamation.

SECRETARY – Michelle nominated Melanie Fleischhauer. She accepted and is in by Acclamation.

TREASURER – Kelly M nominated Kelly Spanke. She accepted and is in by acclamation.

DIRECTORS - Cammy Dunn, Michelle Marti, Sandra Fremstad

We will get a letter drafted to the bank to change signing authority of 2015/16 school year. The four executive positions will have signing authority.

Lunch Program: Kelly S reported that everything is ready to go. First hot lunch next week and voucher order forms will go out right after that.

Betterment Report: Sandra gave an overview of what Betterment is and what it does for new members. We have a casino October 26&27, so asked Shari to come up with a wish list from staff of what DDS might need.

Discussion was held on the Harvest Gala and whether we should host another one. Most are favorable to doing it, but want to keep it in the Fall and try for Sept/ Oct of 2016. We will revisit this further in future meetings.

PSBSPB is holding \$10,317.03 from the last Gala with they would like to spend this year on technology. They also have \$7,284.56 of H&S funds to start the year. However fieldtrips are usually \$5,000 and the extras they provided last year including Scientists, Smudge, HOJA, etc came to \$3,300 so we come up short and need to do some fundraising this school year.

#### Treasurer's Report

This account is only for lunches.

Our opening balance for this year is \$332.89

#### Principal's Report

See attached sheet

#### Trustee's Report

- Craig reported Colleen Deitz is the chairperson and Robert Strauss is the vice chair.
- Board meeting dates: Oct 19, Nov 24, Dec 8, Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 8, April 12, May 24, June 21.
- Palliser's projected enrollment numbers are quite close to the actual numbers, the projection was 25 students short of the actual numbers.
- Palliser now has 2 new schools in Calgary under the Palliser umbrella which are Muslim schools.
- Wording is being changed on the Palliser site and information from "Christian Schools" to "Faith-based" to reflect the addition of Muslim schools.
- All new schools will have to give 3 years notice if they wish to leave Palliser. This 3 year period will be negotiated into all existing agreements as they come up for renewal.
- 55% of Palliser's students are now in Calgary. Issues revolving around the fact that Calgary parents are unable to elect their trustee, how to adequately represent these parents from a board perspective.
- Palliser is going into mediation with Master's Academy in Calgary. Master's feels that Palliser has not fulfilled their obligations as per the contractual agreement, Palliser feels the agreement has been met.
- There are 9 Brazilian students attending Palliser schools this fall, 2 of them are at PBHS

#### Around the Table

Nothing to report

#### Adjournment

Kelly M. adjourned the meeting at 5:26pm. Thanks to all for attending.

**October meeting will be Thursday, October 8 at 3:40pm in the staff room**