

# MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Music Room

DATE: September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

ATTENDEES: Danielle, Jennifer, Kristen, Madisen, Sharon, Mell,

Meagan, Christine, Manabu, Anita

**TIME**: 9:20am

# AGENDA ITEMS

- I. Call to order and acknowledgements
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting
- IV. Open issues
  - a) Financial Update
    - i) \$7471.90 in main account
      - (1) \$1000 to be held as a float
      - (2) \$3000 2023 Carnival funds held as STEM fund
    - ii) \$0 in gaming account

### V. New business

- a) Hot Lunch Website Issues
  - i) PAC executive has been waiting for website glitches to be fixed by the k12lunches web team, which have been fixed as of September 19<sup>th</sup>
  - ii) Every Parent needs to register for a new account at the beginning of each school year. Parents who are having trouble setting up a new account can email mountainpac@amail.com
  - iii) A photo tutorial for setting up a new account and ordering is available on our Facebook group in the files section, as well as will be added to the school website, mountain.abbyschools.ca
  - iv) Volunteers still needed to distribute hot lunches
- b) Toonie Treat Days
  - i) Our first treat day will be cotton candy

ii) Cash will be accepted on cotton candy day

## c) Fundraising

- i) Coupon Books are currently for sale. Each book is \$15, and the school earns \$7.50 on each book sold.
- ii) The Book Fair will be held from October 22-24<sup>th</sup>. Funds raised from this will be used to purchase items directly from scholastic. We are taking suggestions from the staff for what they would like to see purchased, and we will vote at the October meeting on how to spend the book fair funds.
- iii) Art Cards by Kids is a kids artwork fundraiser we are planning to run this year. The kids will create artwork in class, which will be sent to the company to be turned into things like ornaments, cards, and other customizable options. Once the art is created, parents will be given the option to order whichever items they like. We plan to have this going so that orders will arrive before Christmas.
- iv) It was decided we would not hold a Christmas market this year, as we did not have any volunteers to organize the event. The PAC will discuss other special events that could be held during November and December as fun events for the kids.
- v) We will be sending out a poll to parents to gauge interest in purchasing tickets for a Mountain Elementary Night at the Abbotsford Canucks. If there is enough interest, PAC will sell tickets to Mountain families, and we will all be seated together at the game. If we sell enough tickets we could earn a Mountain skate on the Abby Canucks ice!
- vi) We are looking into working with Castle Fun Park to sell gift cards as a fundraiser. We are hoping to set this up before Christmas if possible.
- vii) A suggestion was made to set up an account at the bottle depot so people can donate their bottle returns to the pac account. We discussed setting this up as a grade 5 fundraiser for their end of year activities, as bottle drives have traditionally been a grade 5 initiative at Mountain.
- viii) Plant Sale is still a tentative fundraiser for the spring. If any parents would like to volunteer to run this fundraiser, they should reach out to the executive at <a href="mailto:mountainpac@gmail.com">mountainpac@gmail.com</a>
- ix) Sports Day concession planning was picked up by Mell and Jenn for this year
- x) PAC is open to any other suggestions for fundraisers for the year

### d) Movie Nights

- i) We are planning several movie nights this year, with the first one being held on October 18th
  - (1) Doors at 5:30, movie starts at 6pm
  - (2) Concession will include drinks, candy, popcorn, etc and we will plan to sell pizza or hot dogs
  - (3) More details to come soon

### e) STEM funding

- i) Mrs. Heitz shared with parents that the library is in desperate need of an update. We need new books, as well as other supplies to make the books more accessible for all the kids. As there was a large amount of STEM supplies purchased last February, she suggested that the school library was a greater need than the STEM room.
- ii) A motion was made to reallocate the \$3000 saved for STEM to library spending
  - (1) Motion passed unanimously
  - (2) A cheque was issued to the school for \$3000

- f) Classroom Funds
  - i) A motion was made to allocate \$200 to each classroom
    - (1) Motion passed unanimously
    - (2) A cheque was issued to the school for \$2200
- g) Other initiatives
  - i) The PAC would love to work with the school to bring in speakers, performances, or interactive learning experiences related to bullying, online safety, and critical digital literacy
    - (1) Jenn has reached out to the Abby PD to see what they offer
    - (2) Mrs. Heitz suggested reaching out to the district liaison officer, as well as looking at organizations like the White Hatter
    - (3) PAC will continue the conversation with the school to get this organized
  - ii) McHappy Day
    - (1) A suggestion was made to again participate in McHappy Day in May. We will reach out to the staff who planned it last year, and work with them to plan for this year.
- h) Updated Code of Conduct
  - i) There is an updated Code of Conduct on the Mountain Elementary website that parents can read through.

# VI. Adjournment