

Pebble Hill Traditional Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2021

7:03pm **Call to Order and Welcome – Megan McLean**

Lorrenne Alkema presented her Principal's Report – Please see attachment and photos

Melissa Hance presented her Fundraising Report – Please see attachment

Twyla Elden – Budget Update

We were not sure how this year would go in terms of fundraising but we have been very fortunate with the amounts that we have been able to raise. Our fundraising total since September 2020 is \$8800.00 (we have made \$150. On uniform consignment sales this year alone)

Now that we have e-transfers, many parents are thankful to have this option to pay. It has been very successful for us. It also is easier for us as the money is directly deposited into our account and it is less risk for us as the paper trail is in tact.

Our bank fees have been reduced by \$80 for the year. There may be fees incurred if we have many transactions in a month (For example: hot lunch funds/successful fundraisers) but we now have a small amount of free transactions per month.

We now have funds sitting in our account. We are open to ideas on how to spend it. We don't need to sit on the funds

Megan McLean – Open Forum – are there any other questions or ideas for the PAC?

Lorrenne Alkema would love to see a mural on the wall beside the front doors.

Cate McMillan inquired as to why we don't have fencing along the side of the grass field on 2nd Avenue. Lorrenne Alkema will look into this with the district.

Julie Mitobe asked about plaques to recognize fundraising donors. Twyla Elden mentioned that it is likely too late for Phase 1 of the Outdoor Classroom but we could look at this for Phase 2 donors. How and where we would do this recognition would have to be determined.

Rebecca Lee shared about her concerns regarding the crosswalk at 4th Avenue and 52A Street. Her son has almost been hit there multiple times. She has done some driving

around and found that the signage there is smaller and not as reflective as most crosswalks, especially in proximity to a school. The City of Delta has been approached and there is a file open if anyone would like to reach out to them. The file is in the name of Jackie Watt (a school parent who lives immediately at the crosswalk in question). Lorrenne Alkema has also reached out to the District to see what might be done there. They review these situations on an annual basis and this crosswalk will be put forward for this year. There is also the option of having the volunteer group come and monitor the speeds/stopping for that area. Lorrenne Alkema will request that they pay attention to that location.

There was also a mention that if we put into place anything on a formal basis without approval that we would assume liability if something happened.

Melissa Hance wanted to know in light of the recent event regarding “Stranger Danger” what was required of teachers once parents had consented to “Walking Field Trips” on Parent Connect.

Lorrenne Alkema said that teachers can take their class out at their discretion. There are protocols in place that teachers must follow. They must check in/out at the office before and after the walk. They must disclose their destination – Diefenbaker Park, Gingell Park, Pebble Hill Park etc. They must have their cell phones on them for a means of communication.

With regards to the recent incident, Lorrenne Alkema shared that she was impressed with the amount of Officers that attended the scene and how quickly they responded. And also impressed upon that Parents in attendance that in this situation there was not a life threatening danger to those involved.

8:03pm Meeting Adjourned – Megan McLean