

Talmey Parent Advisory Council

Minutes

November 27th, 2017

Chair: Melissa Chui

Secretary: Gabriela Draheim

Treasurer: Tosa Rusimovici

Members at Large: Kristin, Julia, Adam, Amy

In attendance: Melissa, Gabriela, Tosa, Al, Julia, Adam, Kristen, Wendy, Jana, Amy,

6:45 Call to Order:

Melissa called the meeting to order at 6:35

- Approved and there were no additions to the agenda

1. Secretary's Report

- Reviewed October's meeting minutes
- Voted & approved

2. Chairperson's Report

- Welcome to new members
- Goals for 2017-2018:
 1. to increase parental involvement in the school and in PAC functions, including fundraisers, services for students, performances and information sessions
 2. to generate enough income through fundraisers to be able to fund field trips, performances and other special activities
- Upcoming PAC events and information:
 - Movie Night: Dec. 1st. Cars 3—Popcorn Snack Shack will be open 6:15 (movie starts 6:30)
*Parents need to stay for the duration of the movie
 - Date for Winter/Spring Carnival?—Tentative Date set March 2nd
 - Baseball: Jan. 15-19 (done during Gym classes, all equipment etc. provided)
 - Bollywood Dance: Feb. 5-9

3. Treasurer's Report

- Financial Update—Revenues to date \$17,800.77 Expenses \$11,181.86
- Voted & approved **things are looking good**

4. Celebrations and Successes

- Halloween Party—great turnout & seemed well organized. Grade 7 helpers seemed to work out & allowed parents more of a chance to participate & enjoy. Photo booth was fun. Thanks to the committee for all their hard work.
- Cash 4 Clothes—Grade 6/7 helpers worked out well... a great turnout

5. Administrative Report

- School clubs and teams update—Mr. Snyder's class will be going to the volleyball Jamboree
- Student connectiveness—with various clubs (overarching goal/core competencies) Chess, art, Book club. Etc. Me to We—presentation will come to speak to the gr. 6/7 classes. Building sense of

community is a focus. (FYI--10% of our kids at Talmey will be supported by a community Christmas "Fund")

- Remembrance Day assembly was run by gr. 6/7's
- Saleema Noon was well received by classes
- Staff update—shortage of teachers is a province wide issue—currently retired teachers are pulled in & a teacher is in the works to be hired to cover remaining time. Often there is a shortage of EA's as well.
- Update on PAC sponsored bookings - Ashley Spires *well received*
- Ice Skating December 18th (Winter Wonderland) at Minoru skating time 1:00-2:00
- Band Concert 2:00 pm December 20th, reports home Dec. 20th Dec. 22nd Sing-a-long
- Ms. Goldman is currently on medical leave & will be replaced by 2 teachers in the interim.

6. School Planning Council Report

- School wide goal for 2017-2018:
- The Spirals of Inquiry update

7. Committee Reports

1. Fruit and Vegetable—Nov. 21st McIntosh apples were served & next will be Mandarin oranges on Dec. 5th

2. Hot lunch and Snack Shack—going as well as expected—great set of volunteers *Jana now has food safe* and we now have a process to sanitize the Kindie dishes for pizza day.

3. Popcorn --Div. 4 will receive free popcorn as their Cash for Clothes Prize.

4. Fundraising—couple of cases still outstanding. Family Photo Night: Kristen can ask about if they can provide a different colour background. If not, Kristen will look at checking into an independent photographer

5. Yearbook—Kristen met with company today. 57 pre-orders (between 50-75 orders) is \$20 for 20 pages. To be ready for June 8th needs to be finished by May 15th. August deadline for a September delivery at a slightly cheaper cost. Pros to a later date: can include Gr. 7 grad/pancake breakfast/fun-day etc. Teachers are encouraged to submit pictures from special events & field-trips.

Custom covers are much more expensive—but the company has many suitable options for the cover & classes could vote for their favourite. \$20 includes tax & delivery. Final Payments/orders will be taken in March. (hopefully wrapping up before Spring Break).

8. New Business

- PAC Mail: If anything you saw in the mail interested you, and you'd like to pursue it further, please mention it at this time
- Possible grant for a new PAC fridge?—Al will look into the Fridge issue as offered by the F & V program
- Holiday concert?—Nothing this year, instead an evening performance will be Friday Feb. 9th—showcasing what was learned during the week of Bollywood Dance classes.
- Cobb's Bread Richmond Centre "Dough Raiser"—easy—when you purchase just say you're connected with Talmey & the school will be credited with a % of your order amount.

Thanks to Melissa for bringing snacks!

Next PAC Meeting: Monday January 15th*Thanks to Jana for bringing treats*

