



CMS PAC Meeting – Wednesday February 24, 2021
@ 12:00 PM

PRESENT: Mr. Ed Neufeld, Wendy Bergen, Angela Brandt, Pam Giesbrecht, Michelle King, Darlene Siemens, Stacey Froese, Tanya Penner, Dawn Gautron, Carla Barkman, Kim Stott, Mathilda Penner, Vicki Clayton,

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES from January 27, 2021:

Moved – Mathilda Penner
Seconded – Tanya Penner

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved – Michelle King
Seconded – Vicky Clayton

3. TREASURER REPORT – Michelle King

A) No financial activity so the balance will be close to last month's balance.

B) Donations:

1. CMS PAC can legally accept cash donations
2. CMS PAC cannot issue donation receipts
 1. receipted donations need to run through HSD
3. Some cash donations could really help our PAC get through this year as we will likely not be able to run fundraisers for a while
4. CMS looking to update sound system at some point coming up.

4. PRINCIPAL REPORT – Ed Neufeld

A) Report card season

1. The report card that is used is quite defined, not necessarily allowing teachers to say what they want to say.
2. Knowing to how report about the learning that has gone on through yellow, orange and red codes is difficult.
3. How do we recover learning when we can't operate in the usual way?
4. Paused French instruction during this term – this allows for learning recovery.
5. There has been some loss learning, but the system will get these kids back to where they normally would have been.

B) Phys Ed.

1. PE teachers have voluntarily added double PE.
2. They are outside as much as possible.

C) Cancellations coming up

1. Band concert (paused for the year)
2. Spring concert
3. How do you do School life with cancellations?
 1. Trying to get one special thing done for each grade year
 2. still lots of laughing happening/there are still happy sounds at school

D) Beginning to look at school planing for 2021/2022 school year

1. May want to call a special PAC meeting to help with that planning

5. RESPONSE TO PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- A) Does the school have access to support for field trips? Recovery goals? Etc.
 - 1. In a way – yes. HSD did provide schools with a COVID budget at the beginning of the year. What we normally spend our money on, we haven't had to. Our normal learning budget hasn't had the strain it normally does.
 - 2. Recovery learning – HSD still has some funds left from the provincial COVID funds. There are kids who are really struggling mentally. Recently accessed funds to support some of those kids who need to be at school every day.
- B) Are grades getting reported as the actual percentage or getting rounded?
 - 1. We haven't had that conversation at CMS.

5. STAFF APPRECIATION – Stacy Froese

- A) Would like a couple more appreciation events this year.
 - 1. March/April
 - 1. Chips & Pop
 - 2. June
 - 1. Ice Cream treats
 - 3. Decorate the staff room to make it cheerful/show appreciation

6. FREEZER MEALS – Wendy Bergen

- A) From time to time there are families that struggle long term that the school hears about.
- B) The idea is to keep 4 meals in the freezer at school
- C) Mr. Neufeld will let us know when they need replenishing
- D) The PAC decided that we will continue with providing freezer meals as the need arises.
- E) We will follow the recipes that were outlined in the initial email.
- F) The meals will be in disposable containers
- G) We will not continue with the idea of an emergency care pack for families

7. GRADE 8 FAREWELL - Wendy Bergen

- A) An email went out shortly after our January 27 meeting asking if there were any parents interested in helping with a plan
- B) This would normally be an event put on by parents and not have school involvement. This year due to COVID, it seems it will need to have school involvement in order for it to proceed. There is potential that something done outdoors at school could be a possibility
- C) There were a number of parents who responded to the school email, and have volunteered to help
- D) Darlene Siemens will take care of initiating the next steps with Mr. Neufeld, and the volunteers

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday March 24, 2021