



Parent
Advisory Committee
Council
(CPAC)
Carisbrooke

Carisbrooke Executive PAC Meeting

Date: 7 April 2014

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Lucy's House

In Attendance: Judith Nitsch, Heidi Degenstein, Lucy Cayuela, Victoria Grant-Smith, Karen Bullock, Edalee Maritz, Rebecca Telfer, Karen Wright, Luisa Kirk

Actions are highlighted in **Yellow**

7:40

Call to order and welcome by Lucy Cayuela

Updates

Fun lunch

Previous meeting had discussion re teachers handing out candy after Lucy received an email from a concerned parent. The Hot Lunch team has also looked into more “healthy” hot dogs. A tasting was held (hot dogs and buns from the Silverdale bakery) but concern regarding colour and taste.

The Fun Lunch committee wants to confirm their guiding principle. Principles will also be on home page so parents can see them when putting in their orders:

- follows the health guide by the District
- fun lunch is optional
- fun lunch is the biggest fundraiser
- fun lunch happens twice a month

We are not feeding undernourished children.

May 7 - the fun lunch team is going to check out the vendors, once they come up with a menu they will forward it to the Executive committee so it can be approved, the Executive committee will present it to the principal, once he has approved it we can put it on the website.

Edalee said that previously the principals never were not interested. Victoria noted that it could be positive for the principal to endorse the menu since it could take away the pressure from the fun

lunch team.

Decision: To implement Executive approval procedure for the next school year.

Another consideration is: shall we have an order three times a year (instead of two times)?

Pro:

- if someone misses the deadline, s/he has more chances to order
- the expenses are spread out more evenly - that might be easier psychologically for people
- Cons:
- three times a year makes the collection of payment more difficult - however, it would make no changes for the team to order stuff

Decision: Fun lunch Order remain at twice a year

Fitness
Equipment

Lucy provided update:

We did not get it yet because we first had to deposit the money in the school district account for our school. We have done that now, so it's going ahead - probably after the Spring Fair. Lilian says that we have to order it, which takes approximately three weeks - so it will be probably end of May. It would be good before Sports Day - then we could have some kind of celebration around it, maybe on Sports Day itself.

Teachers
Appreciation
Lunch
Sports Day

Grade 5's doing the teacher's appreciation luncheon, the date is set - Wednesday, May 28.

Grade 6's are responsible for the hot dogs on Sports Day - this could be already a fundraiser for the grade 6s for their graduation next year. The proceeds will go into a specific account for them. Maybe they can already set up a graduation committee for next year. **Rebecca will send out an email and ask who wants to do it**, i.e. Julie Walker, Stella Ying and Tanja Scott might be interested. Maybe contact Colette Osler or Darlene Maser (they are on the committee this year).

Spring Fair

On Sports Day there are usually Popsicle for the kids. There have been complaints about those concerning the sugar and colour in the Popsicles. **Lucy to ask Wayne if we could have Maxfruits instead.**

Rebecca provided update

The committee met last week - will have food trucks (so no prepaid meals, including tacos, hot dogs and mac and cheese).

Charging \$10 per family to enter and do all the free stuff or by donation (\$10, \$15, \$20,...). Visitors will get a leaflet that states what is included in the admission, what the free stuff is and what the rest will cost. We

will put up signs at the entries around the forest to let people know that they should go to the gate and pay there.

Activities include:

- balloon raffle: \$10 per balloon, with a minimum prize worth \$10
 - treasure hunt (free)
 - all activities done by the classes are free
 - a tent displaying our Spirit Wear
 - style stall - extra fee, colour in your hair, etc.
 - glitter tattoos - extra fee
 - henna painting on the hands - extra fee
 - Emergency preparedness has a tent and will have a raffle
 - fortune teller - free
 - PA system so we have music and can do announcements
 - class baskets
 - tap snap photo booth
 - recording booth
 - passport exchange - once you have finished all the activities you hand in your passport, there will be 10 prizes
 - jar wall of chance: jars will be drawn that are filled with different items
 - dessert booth
- Heidi Degenstein is preparing the homepage and it will be launched next week.
- Lucy said around 57 - 58 % of people read the newsletter that she sends out each week.
- Edalee thinks a paper letter would be better for the K-grade 3 parents. Grade 4 - 7 go on teacher's website daily.
- Posters will be put up next week. The homepage will include info about the wish list of the teachers for which we are fund raising this year - in total around \$25,000 for
- 16 MacBook Pro laptops and storage cart
 - Additional RAM for existing MacBooks
 - 5 digital cameras
 - Airplay printer for iPads
 - 32 iPad cover replacements

No refunds for tickets bought online.

Sign up for volunteer positions, cakes and jars, will be available next week via the homepage.

New Member at
Large
Fruit and Veggie

Luisa Kirk voted in as a member-at-large.

Lucy provided update:

Program The team at the BC Agriculture in the Classroom foundation, in partnership with the BC Ministry of Health, is planning to offer a “healthy” fundraising. Students, parents and volunteers can sell “Healthy Bundles” of BC Grown Fruits and Vegetables to parents, teachers and the community. There are small bundles (between \$10 and \$12) and bigger bundles (between \$20 and \$22). Schools would generate a profit of 40% to 50% for each bundle sold.

Discussion whether or not PAC and School are interested in this kind of fundraising.

Decision:
Sounds like too much work so will not be implementing . **Judith to complete survey on line.**

Technology Lucy provided update
Tim MacLeod might not be here next year and to date he does everything regarding technology. Should he leave there is a question as to who would spearhead the technology plan. There are teachers who seem to be interested, but none as enthusiastic and competent as he is.

Discussion as to how to best support school.

Decision: To form a technology committee comprised of parents interested in IT, who are willing to support the school in the maintenance of the IT equipment.

After school Programming Program Lucy provided update
Gord Withers (Griffin’s and Jemma’s dad) is going to offer an after-school course: “how to create your own video game, app or animation” intended for grade 3 to 7.

- It will be for 20-25 students after school on Mondays and will start at the end of April until the end of June.
- He will need parent volunteers to help, or maybe grade 7 students.
- We should charge \$20 to \$25 so that students can show their level of commitment. Parents will have to drop off their kids at 3:15, sign them in and sign them out.

Social Awareness Programs Saleema Noon
is coming at the end of May with the “sexual speech” including a night for parents.

I Girl and I Boy:
Wayne thinks we should have for next year the “I girl” and “I guy” program as well as the “anti-bullying” program.
Maybe we should charge for the “girl” and “guy” program a small fee

from the parents.

Discussion re PAC funding programs in Alternative Years

Decision:

- 2015 PAC provides funding for I Girl and I Boy and Anti Bullying Program
- From 2016 PAC Provides funding for Salema Noon and Anti Bullying Program in in one year and I Girl and I Boy program in alternate

First Aid Will be for grade 5 and grade 6 this year. One paid by us and one by the school.

Decision:

Next year PAC pays for Grade 5 as per usual.

Spirit Wear Website link will be open soon and will be open all year round. The new logo is coming out in the next couples of weeks.

Emergency Preparedness 11 people ordered supply through the homepage for \$2423 (after tax), we get \$350.

Online Sale Online purchasing will be opened again for the Spring Fair - purchases will go direct to Braidner using a special code rather than going through our PAC site.

Executive Position Proposed positions for next year

- Victoria Grant-Smith - chair
- Heather Elliot - member-at-large/Emergency Preparedness
- Judith Nitsch - co-treasurer (taking over from Dawn Russel)
- Julie Taylor - co-treasurer (taking over from Tanja Kalashnikov)
- Jess Franco - co-fundraising
- Jitka Holt - secretary
- The past chair will keep a more important role, will be the District Representative, a position that has been vacant for a number of years. Lucy will also continue the newsletter

We are still looking for a vice-chair.

CPAC meeting: - Next Wednesday, April 16.
- Morning PAC coffee: April 26.

Adjourn: 9pm