MT. SENTINEL PAC

Meeting Minutes - Dec 6, 2010 Mt. Sentinel School

ATTENDANCE: Susan Wilson, Linda Verishine, Wendy Niminiken, Nat Barabonoff, Jan Brown, Katia Dolan, Shellie Maloff, Kathy Varney, Natasha Saliken, Stacey Kabatoff, Glenn Campbell (Principal)

Christmas Party went off without a hitch!!!!! With all the goodies and snacks, dinner was definitely served.... :-) Our last meeting for the year of 2010 went off without a hitch and all left with very full tummies.

1) Welcome Call to order/Additions to agenda

- Susan Wilson welcomed those present at 6:40 pm and introductions were done for new people attending.

2) Accepted November minutes by consensus

3) PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- a) REPORT CARDS new format was used for this round
- The comment area was definitely appreciated
- The breakdown (ie: attendance, work habits, etc) is an excellent idea and easy to understand
- all in all, the entire new format was wholeheartedly appreciated and easy to understand

b) PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

- good response for those who were here, but not well attended
- Possible indications were the lack of concern by parents, failure to make the appointment
- Some parents have indicated that more options are needed than just an appointment for a given time on a given notice such as a phone conference, more appointment openings

c) **SCHOOL DANCE** - Held Friday, Dec 17 2010

- 6:30 doors were open and the dance commenced from 7 pm till 11 pm
- Fee was \$7 per person
- Dance went off without incident but was not as well attended as hoped.
- Parents discussed ideas on how to bring up attendance during the dance:
 - better advertising, more notice for the dance, get more students involved
 - have a parent info session @ beginning of the dance for an hour or 2
- Thank you to all the parent chaparones who attended

4) TREASURER'S REPORT

- a) Gaming disbursements
 - \$1000 Don Warthe Honorarium
 - \$861.27 Camera (Tamara Malloff/Mr. Osachuk)
 - \$60.24 Coffee House
 - \$775.00 Rick Lingard

- \$598.00 TV

Total Gaming account: \$8,055.23

b) Regular PAC account as of Oct 31, 2010: \$749.94

5) SECRETARY REPORT

- a) Latest Teacher Magazine (Oct issue) is out
- b) updated website fundraiser link to look at
- c) Parent reminders to point parents to the link
- d) Summit Academy fundraiser
- big prizes Draw Jan 17, 2011
- all information on PAC website
- Class D raffles \$500 prize limit, \$2/ticket or \$5/3 tickets, no PAC approval needed

6) <u>DPAC</u>

- a) Solos Outreach presentation through Trafalgar no dates/times set yet will deal with cyber bullying, "Sexting", social networking, teaching parents/students to deal responsibly on the "Net"
- b) Next DPAC meeting Nelson School Board Office Thurs. Dec 16 Xmas party 5 to 6 pm, regular meeting start 6 pm to 8 pm

7) TRUSTEE - Barb Lindsay

- has personal family issues at this time

8) SCHOOL PLANNING COUNCIL

- a) Parent survey being compiled to assess learning practices
 - feedback to place where teachers/students/parents lie in the understanding the education/learning process @ MSSS and in the District
 - Survey time frame to be done SOON possible release as early as January 2011

9) GAMING FUND SPREADSHEET

- a) Nat Barabonoff to send copy of spreadsheet by email
- b) Coffee House slow start but the students are learning how to get this set up better
 - Communication confusion with the Youth Action Initiative.
 - Coffee House is now set to go every Tuesday/Thursday

10) SLOCAN VALLEY FACILITIES PLANNING

- Meeting to be held Dec 7, 2010 at Brent Kennedy Elementary

11) POINSETTIA FUND RAISER

- sold 128 plants so far
- numbers show we are close to goal of 150 plants @ \$5.03 profit/plant
- full report to done for January

12) PAC FUND RAISER

- a) Mom's Pantry? This was started too late for the season and not accomplished.
- need at least 3 week notice for starting the November/December orders
- still is a great fundraiser and can still be done as a spring break fundraiser/Easter event

13) LIBRARY COLLABERATION

- a) School Board would support if all 3 districts would support this
 - only 2 districts said yes to the support
 - Jeff Jones now taking this over and will try to collaborate between School Board/Libraries/Districts
 - PAC not needed to write support letters as Jeff Jones will champion this

14) SURVEY

- a) Idea is to roll technology with students' learning processes
- b) developing 21st century school supply list (ie: laptops, notebooks, software)
- c) reaching out to parental support & queries regarding monies/financing to support
- d) technology swap idea may be a possiblity (similiar to a ski swap)
- e) link to a website to access usefull applications for in class studies
- f) WIFI only at MSS till end of Christmas
 - costs associated with WIFI
 - can this be a permanent tool in the school?
 - how can costs be offset to enable this?

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm... great meeting all in all

NEXT MEETING: Happy New Year!!!! MSSS Library - 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Monday Jan 10, 2011