

# **MOUNT SENTINEL PAC**

Meeting Minutes  
Monday December 2, 2013

Mount Sentinel PAC

Meeting Minutes: Dec/02/2013

Attendance: Susan Wilson, Darlene Falle, Randy Stewart, Carrie Reilly, Jason Taylor, Shellie

1) Welcome Call to Order / Additions to Agenda

Susan Wilson welcomed those present

meeting called to order 6:45pm

2) Fundraising updates (Susan Wilson)

a) Poinsettia sales: sold 120 plants which translates to approx. \$500 to be used for grad

b) Purdys chocolate: in conjunction with Brent Kennedy, put in an order for approx \$7000 worth of chocolate; order will arrive on Dec/09/2013.

c) Mom's Pantry: preliminary estimate of about \$130-\$150 made on this fundraiser; online

3) Principal's Report (Glen Campbell)

a) Laura Lundy is now back – she is doing a combined secretarial/library clerk position; the setup in the library is working quite well.

b) Aboriginal Education update: they started with about 40 students in September who had been “identified” (self, by parents, etc) as aboriginal; of these, about 25 students wanted to participate in some kind of program for academic support and/or cultural enrichment. For this to work, there needed to be a willingness/commitment from the students to fully participate, however, obtaining that commitment is proving to be difficult, especially from the senior students who may feel that this program is competing with their existing academic program, etc. Staff is trying to step back and determine why it isn't working, and

perhaps try other strategies, like looking at more of a shortterm planning model, ie, have students sign up for activities coming up in the next 2 weeks only.

c) Gym change rooms and storage: after many years it is time to upgrade these areas; MSSS is on the list for annual capital facilities grant money. Preliminary work has been done in terms of planning and we are just waiting for the green light on the funding. If approved, this work should begin in summer or fall 2014.

d) Electronic report cards: other than a oneday delay due to technical issues, this seemed to be received quite well. The inserts had to go out manually but should be able to be included next time. For the Intermediate students, everything went home paperbased, but again, there are plans to have this done electronically at some point.

e) Early Dismissal Days for Teacher meetings: there was the usual low participation rate for this (in line with previous years); however, teachers feel that there is more ongoing communication with families done by email.

4) SPC Report (Glen Campbell)

No meeting last month – next meeting will be Jan/13/2014, 5:30pm right before PAC meeting

5) Treasurer's Report (Darlene Falle)

As at Dec/01/2013: gaming account balance \$6820.38 (of which, only approx \$100 is not allocated); regular account balance \$558.97

6) Secretary's Report (Susan Wilson)

Habitat playground information

new Teacher magazine

7) DPAC Report (Susan Wilson)

next meeting is Dec/12/2013 at 5:00pm for light supper / Christmas party, with meeting to

Sheri Walsh not present

mention was made of the SD8 meeting taking place tonight to discuss the “cooperative savings plan to cover the CUPE wage lift”

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm.

Next meeting is Jan/13/2013 6:30pm (please note this is the 2

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Monday in January).

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