

PAC MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2021

Meeting called to order by Susanne Moskal at 7:09

Meeting done Via Zoom due to Covid restrictions and social Distancing*

Attendance:

Suzanne Moskal, Laura Burgoyne, Amy Van Vliet, Glen and Leigh Maurer, Shelly Neal, Rachelle Mercier, Jenny Bobkin, Melissa Piche

Approving minutes from Feb 24, 2021

Shelly Neal- motion to approve the minutes.

Melissa Piche- Second the approval of minutes

Old Business:

By Laws/ OP Update

- Operating Procedures for the PAC has been voted on at the last meeting and approved with the Approving of the minutes from Feb 21, 2021 meeting.
- By Laws for the society have been edited for grammatical errors and have been submitted to registries for approval. It will likely take a couple months for us to hear back from the registries in regard to our new Bylaws.

Online Store update:

- Smore's clothing store has been set up for Wheatland Elementary, some orders have already been placed.
- This deadline for ordering closes this Friday April 23, 2021.
- Suzanne to send out a reminder to all the parents by Email and on the PAC Facebook page.
- Also teachers will encouraged to remind their students about the deadline for orders.

Teacher Appreciation Week:

- Committee for the Staff appreciation week consisted of Glen and Leigh Maurer, Shelly Neal, and Suzanne Moskal
- Thank you to everyone who donated for the Staff Appreciation day, also thank you to the committee and admin who helped with set up and planning.
- "Strathmore Now" did a story to recognize the efforts of the staff at Wheatland Elementary.

Principles report- Amy Van Vliet

New Website:

- Golden Hills is changing their website provider so the website will look different. We are hoping on having it all set up at the beginning of June. The current provider is no longer going to be in the school website business.
- It will be different; we hope it will be a bit more streamlined. New platform will also be easy and user friendly on your hand-held devices.
- We have had many parents let us know that they access the information on the websites mainly using mobile devices so this will be a good feature.

Covid Update:

- There are now 2 confirmed covid cases in wheatland school. So, we have had some classes that have had to quarantine. We are working with families and AHS to ensure proper procedures are in place to limit the spread. AHS believes we have a great plan in place.
- We contact traced beforehand,
- We realized when sending out mass emails regarding Covid contact we realized that families with multiple children in the schools were getting confusing messages. We are making changes to make sure the emails clarify which student was in close contact with a covid case
- Learning at home will not be an option next year. We are starting Registration process ready for school in September, working on solidifying a budget and staffing for next year. We just received the budget numbers from the government just a few weeks ago.
- Wheatland Elementary spends almost all of our budget on staffing. To help keep our class sizes small. So we do appreciate all the work that the PAC does to help with other costs.

New Curriculum:

- Golden Hills are working with the teachers and the superintendent and discussing the new curriculum that will be implemented in September. We will have a better idea about what we will be doing regarding the new curriculum after we complete these meetings with the superintendent. It will take about a week for everyone to meet with the senior leadership and give our feedback.

New business:

- PAC Budget has set aside funds for some things that may or not happen this year. We are remaining hopeful that some of these fund days will still be able to happen but we will continue to monitor the situation regarding Covid cases.
- Some of these events include: Big Crunch, Graduations, sports day, awards, and National Indigenous Peoples Day.
- The big crunch, graduation and sports day may look different this year. Just like we did terry fox run this year. Where we had the students stay in their cohorts. We are discussing ways that we can still have these events happen this year.
- We will have a staff meeting to discuss these events and we may need to reverse engineer these events (where the staff will do the planning and supervise these events) and then we can let the PAC how we need the parents to support us, or where we may need some volunteers.

- Shelly question: How will the grade 6 grad be done this year? When is it planned for and what is being planned for grad?

-We need to work around PAT schedules as well. I don't have that one organized yet, but we do have a group of staff that always like to be involved with the grade 6 grad. We are trying to work with some of the other elementary schools.

-Our plans need to be approved by AHS and it should be consistent with other elementary schools in Strathmore.

- We are hoping we can do some grade 6 grad activities at the school since we still have at school learning.
- Grade 6 grad is always done during the week. So, it doesn't intervene with anyone's schedule. We also try not to overlap with other grads at the other schools. We will still be doing the baby pictures submissions.

Wheatland Wild Cat Feud

- Suzanne Moskal had this idea. This idea started at a different school as a fundraiser.
- It is a full school event where each class competes with another class. They would meet on a zoom session. They will compete against each other.
- It is similar to family feud, where the top 100 people were surveyed, and you need to guess the top 2 answers.
- We could combine it with a wild cat spirit day.
- We could have prizes.
- Amy said that we are looking for having some fun events in June. We could have a special spirit day and we could see this working.
- Melissa has prize ideas, booster juice coupons Free,

Thank you to Suzanne for creating the Wheatland Feud. It was a lot of work and it looks like it will be a lot of fun.

Next Month's Meeting will be held on Wednesday June 2 at 7pm Via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:51pm

SOCIETY MEETING

April 21, 2021

Meeting called to order by Susanne at 7:51 pm

Attendance:

Suzanne Moskal, Laura Burgoyne, Angie Boyd, Amy Van Vliet, Michelle Rushford, Chris Southwood, Glen and Leigh Maurer, Shelly Neal, Rachelle Mercier

Hot Lunch- Glen and Leigh Maurer

- Approx. profit in March \$900, April \$500
- We have seen month over month growth
- We are figuring out that what the kids like and what they do not like.
- It would be nice to recognize those hot lunch volunteers,

-Shelly Neal idea to have a Volunteer tea but may not be able to happen with the AHS guidelines. We need to be creative in how we do that. Let us add this to the next agenda. It would make sense to join this to the volunteer appreciation day.

-We are volunteers we don't do this to get something in return.

Treasurers report- Details submitted by Angie Boyd and presented by Suzanne Moskal

- Bank Accounts
 - Casino Account has \$3087.91 remaining.
 - Regular Account has a current balance of \$18,394.94, however:
 - \$3900 is allocated to remaining Approved Budget items remaining, AND the April Hot Lunch payments
 - \$5295.46 is income from May's hot Lunch and makes our account appear about \$4000 higher than it really is due to May's Hot Lunch expenses not being paid for yet.
 - Available for emergency spending in the account is \$8673.54 which would leave us at a zero balance.
- Staff Appreciation
 - Budget was \$500, spent \$474.
- Budget items available or coming up.
 - Sports Day - \$100
 - National Indigenous people's day - \$500
 - Active Living Day/similar - \$250
 - Graduation
 - Montessori Celebration - \$100
 - Kindergarten Grad - \$100
 - Grade 6 Grad - \$200

-Shelly question: I know we are not doing field trips. Does the school need any funding at the end of the year for anything?

-There has not been anything big that would need any funds. This year has been such a different year. The normal spending has changed. We have slightly higher costs of copying because of sending home school learning packages. We do not have any other significant needs.

-Teachers are feeling very well supported through PAC.

Meeting Adjourned by Suzanne at 8:08pm