

**Southwood Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council
2018-2019**

Present

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| Ruth Toews – Co-Chair | Lara Wieler – Fundraising Coordinator |
| Patti Lytwyn – Co-Chair | Rebekah Stelmack – PAC Member |
| Rod Kehler – Principal | Chantal Johnson – Vice Principal |
| Nicole Billiald – Teacher Representative | |

Absent

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| Amanda Klippenstein – Treasurer | Amy Obirek Blatz – Secretary |
| Sarah Funk – Hot Lunch Coordinator | Tess Doerksen – PAC Member |

- 1) **Welcome** - Meeting began at 11:07am.

- 2) **Principal's Report:** Refer to handout provided by Rod for details. Additional discussion includes:
 - a. Discussed an email received from Scott Bestvater (Business Services Manager for HSD) regarding a confidential PAC situation
 - b. New newsletter format:
 - well-received, 85% of families are corresponding by email now
 - paper copies are still available
 - c. Upcoming events; refer to newsletter or calendar for details
 - d. Nature playground
 - Rod showed the blueprints for all 7 phases
 - need larger trees than originally planned; smaller foliage destroyer from outside vandalism—talk to greenhouses to work together on this
 - phases are interchangeable as priorities and needs change
 - e. Treaty education
 - Native American perspectives to be more intentional next year → misconception that Indigenous Religion is being taught; this is not the case, it is more of an historical perspective (Circle of Courage, 7 Teachings)

- 3) **Hot Lunch/MAL Update**
 - orders have more than doubled with the addition of Main B&B
 - decided against adding another vendor (i.e.; DQ or McD's). will consider adding a "One Time" special day for either one

- Booster Juice Day scheduled for Dec 7th for the 2nd Nutritional Break – Patti will get all the info to Ruth for setup on MAL

4) **Financial Update** - Amanda provided handouts in her absence

5) **Fundraising:**

- a. Gold Card Fundraiser was successful, raised \$3675 which will be applied to the turf on the Nature Playground
 - Sold 365 / Unsold 273 / MIA 64
- b. Next fundraiser: Lara proposed Kernels Popcorn
 - 2 options: order forms sent home, or we order a set amount to sell
 - Rod suggested ordering a set amount and selling at the Learning Expo and then have forms available for additional orders. Cost is \$1.50, suggested price is \$2.50/bag
 - Lara will order 100 each of white cheddar, butter & salt and caramel
 - Leftover popcorn can be sold at the canteen during December

6) Social Media groups discussing school issues re: bullying

- Discussed at staff meeting earlier that day; other schools experiencing the same
- Rod broke down what happens when there is an issue between students:
 1. The on-duty teacher reports to the homeroom teacher
 2. If there was an injury, the student is sent inside for additional help and care / if there was a physical incident between students, they are both sent inside to the principals – the principal's talk to all parties involved: what was the intent?
 3. The incident is documented and communicated to parents / the consequences are not shared with the other student
- Teachers feel that the situations are being dealt with in the moment and then hear from the parent when the student has gone home → they will be more diligent with their communication so there is clarity to what is being told to parents by students
- What is written on FB isn't an accurate interpretation of what is happening
- Fact: there is more supervision this year due to the balanced school day, therefore less incidents happening on the schoolyard

7) **Closing:** Meeting adjourned at 12:11pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 4th at 6:30pm