

Southwood PAC Meeting – December 8th, 2021

In Attendance: Marge Thiessen, Chantal Johnson, Melissa Heinrichs, Shellyna Lipic, Melissa Nykoluk, Stephanie Noll

Start time: 6:03pm

Agenda

1. Some hot lunch details to clarify – bins for meal delivery, ketchup in the classroom (packets are not great for early grades), plan for offering students from poor families the options of meals
 - Will look into pricing and types of bins, etc to transport meals to each classroom. Can also use some rolling carts already in the schools.
 - Ketchup will not be provided at the moment and see how that goes
 - look for donations or options to be able to offer some students the option of hot lunch that may not be able to afford it.
2. Loose parts playground – What is it? Thoughts?
 - Different parts like wood, tires, tubing etc that kids can use to make/create different things, use imagination. Need to make sure parts are safe for the kids. Will also need to look into storage for these items.
3. Anonymous donor – Trees for the playground. Issues with tree care and planting timing. Options for further fundraising.
 - We received an anonymous donation to be put towards planting more trees on the playground. Does the PAC want to be involved and add more money towards the trees, or should we put the fundraising money towards other items?
 - With it being so close to Christmas, first fundraiser for the school will be in the New Year. Review the polling answers from the questionnaire that was sent out to see what most parents prefer.
4. December school report
 - a) Teacher PD for numeracy and literacy
 - b) Change in teachers for several classes
- c) Pro-social house point system
 - There have been a few changes in the school in regards to teachers, but kids seem to be responding and adapting well
 - Christmas concert with the grade 3 and 4's is almost completely filmed and should be ready next week.
5. school events
 - Hot lunch on the 21st
 - Dress up days (see newsletter)
 - Last day of school Dec. 22nd / First day back Jan. 6th. January is usually one of our best uninterrupted learning months
 - Our first hot lunch will be on Dec. 21st, just working out final details on getting meals to each classroom, and have money collected by Dec. 14th
 - Spirit/dress up week will be the last 3 days of school before the Christmas break
4. Issues arising?
 - none to report

End time: 6:30