# Barrowtown Elementary PAC Meeting February 8, 2022 at 3:30 pm In the Learning Commons Room

**Present:** President – Melissa Wiebe; Treasurer – Angie Quebec; Secretary - Kayla Wiens; Principal – Michelle Basran; Rachel Slomp, Jolene Ringrose

#### Principal's Report: Michelle Basran

Covid Protocols are settling down. We are now allowed to hold most PAC events and serve food.

2022-2023 Registration (registration opened Jan 31)

- 7 new Kindergarten Students
- 2 new Grade 2 Students
- 1 new Grade 3 Student

Almost all of the students are from new families. That currently makes the K/1/2 class at 22 students for next year. Ratios allow for 20 students in that class, but it would be nice to have a few more students to solidify another teacher position.

Please continue to tell your friends and family about this great school!

Flood Recovery – Lunch can be provided for students who need flood recovery assistance. It has not been utilized much at this point. Staples and SportChek also offered support to families in need at Barrowtown.

Hoodies – The 8 Grade 5 students received their grad hoodies last week, including the student who had to relocate due to the flood. Hoodies came to \$47.50 each. Next year we may want to shop around for a lower price.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be on March 8, 9. School will dismiss 2 hours early at 1:18 for both days. Evening interviews will be available on March 9. Teachers will send out more information to families soon.

16 ft x 16 ft Sandbox is being installed by the district. The mud kitchen will also go in that area. The kitchen toys continue to be a very popular outside game for all ages of students.

Mrs. Basran would like us to consider purchasing quality sand toys and kitchen toys for the new sandbox and mud kitchen.

Valentines Day Celebration – Teachers have organized that the kids will decorate cookies, and Art Starts will come for their first performance. They will write a song for Barrowtown about "The Way of the Wolf."

One School One Book Program – Students will have the opportunity for a school wide book to be read at home with their families. Students will then come back to school to answer

questions about the book. If they answer correctly, their names will be put in a draw to win prizes. More information will come from teachers soon.

Tuesday 2-22-2022 Day – Potentially "Twin Day" at School. More information to come.

## **Treasurer's Report** : Angie Quebec

Chequing – \$1529.42 Savings – \$4,827.82 Gaming – \$1001.47

### Cheques To Be Written:

1. \$55.97 to Angie Quebec for popcorn purchase

#### Money Received:

- 1. \$167.48 Purdy's Chocolate Cheque
- 2. \$50 cash reimbursed for the mud kitchen. (Maker accidentally charged 2022 price, when we ordered it in 2021)

#### President's Report: Melissa Wiebe

Mrs. Cavacece Amazon Wish List –\$222.80 of Melissa and Doug toys and outside toys she has requested for her classroom.

**Motion:** Kayla Wiens motioned to make these purchases.

**Seconded:** *Melissa Wiebe seconded the motion.* 

All in Favour

Melissa will purchase these toys for Mrs. Cavacece's classroom.

PAC asked Mrs. Basran to think about a purchase for her classroom of about equal value. She would like us to look into sandbox and mud kitchen toys to enhance outdoor play.

Mud Kitchen is recommended to have a BBQ cover or tarp for when it is not in use. We will wait and see how long we think it will last before we make that purchase.

Pancake Day – Valentines Day February 14 at 10:00. *Jolene will be in charge of that. Another volunteer will be needed.* 

Hot Lunch – Jolene will also look into a hot lunch to be made at school before Spring Break in March.

Greenhouse – Mrs. Basran said that they have done some basic cleaning, and that SD34 has done maintenance over the winter. However, teachers do not have the time to really get it going, now that they have so much catch-up after the flood. Alexis talked to BC Agriculture to ask for gardening support.

• 36 students in the school

- Goals:
  - Planting for Mothers Day
  - Planting peppers, tomatoes, etc

Rachel suggested parents plan half day planting days, then we can more accurately advertise the school to have a nature based or agriculture based curriculum.

Kayla will look into how we can set up for a planting day.

#### **New Business**

#### Year End Activities:

- Easter Celebration April 14
  - o Kayla will plan an easter egg hunt and another simple craft.
- Year End Family BBQ May 26 (?)
  - Family Games
    - Chicken Bingo, Cake Walk, Donut Munch
    - Kayla can plan games
    - Jolene can plan food
- Sports Day June 10
  - Kayla can organize events
  - o PAC will provide water, pizza and ice cream for students
- Bridal Falls Waterpark for whole school Field Trip (?)
- Grade 5 Field Trip to Wild Play
  - PAC is willing to help Grade 5 with a popcorn fundraiser if grade 5 students participate

## Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 pm

## Next Meeting – March 1 at 3:30

## **Upcoming Events**

February 18 – Pro D Day #6

February 21 – Family Day

March 4 – Elementary and Middle School Report Cards

March 8 – Early Dismissal (Two Hours)

March 9 – Early Dismissal (Two Hours)

March 11 – Last Day Before Spring Break

March 14-24 – Spring Break

March 28 – Back to School

April 14 – Easter Celebration

April 15 – Good Friday

April 18 – Easter Monday

May 20 - Pro D Day #7

May 23 – Victoria Day

May 26? – Year End Family BBQ

June 10 – Sports Day

June 29 – Report Cards, Last Day of School for Students

June 30 – Last Day of School for Teachers